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our collective "mother" for almost 30 years.

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Introduction

This is a labor of love. It is a down payment on the debt that I owe to Mensa for all it has done for me over the past 25 years. The original version of this work (*American Mensa Historical Extract*) was finished in April 1990 and involved over 1500 hours of research. In June 1992, hundreds of additional hours of research went into a revised, retitled version called *The Mensa Book of Lists.* This is the second update of that compilation of the "who, what, where and when" of American Mensa over the past 37 years. There is also some background data on Mensa itself, from its founding in 1946. This is not a "history," however, inasmuch as the "why" has been intentionally excluded. To prevent this from becoming a controversial and voluminous tome, I decided to leave speculation and discussion as to the causes and results of Mensa-related events to other forums and other people, more adept at such endeavors. I am, therefore, a "chronicler" of events, rather than an analyst of its history. This material is thus intended for those Mensans who, like me, have an insatiable urge to know the details.

The Mensa Book of Lists is organized as follows:

Section 1 - Mensa: The Early Years. A brief history of the early days of Mensa, both in Britain and the United States, from 1945 to 1965. Included are its foundations, early VIPs and publications and membership data.

Section 2 - American Mensa Officers. A listing of the officers of American Mensa, elected and appointed, from July 1965 to the present. Also included is a brief history of American Mensa's regional structure, including a listing of all RVCs.

Section 3 - Awards, Publications and Local Groups. A listing and brief history of American Mensa's awards and recipients of those awards, including local group newsletter awards. Also included is a listing of major Mensa publications and their editors since 1959, as well as information on the early days of the local groups in American Mensa.

Section 4 - Statistics, Trivia and Other Odds & Ends. Membership data for American Mensa, membership dues history, a sampling of well-known Mensans and some "odds & ends" of interest.

Section 5 - Meetings and Gatherings. Chronological listings of: (1) AMC meetings since 1975, (2) American Mensa's Annual Gatherings, (3) Colloquia, and (4) a sampling of regional, SIG and other U.S. gatherings.

Section 6 - Mensa: An International Overview. A brief overview of Mensa International and its structure, including elected and appointed officers of the IGC and IBD through the present time. In addition, there is a brief section on each National Mensa group, including information on each group's founding, chairmen, and representatives to the international board. Also included is a listing of selected non-U.S. gatherings and a list of IGC/IBD meetings.

Section 7 - A Statistical History of American Mensa Elections. Candidates, vote tabulations and other statistics relating to AML's elections from 1965 to the present.

Some conventions will need explaining. *Italics* have been used to represent either the earliest or latest month that an individual held a particular position. These have been used only in those relatively infrequent instances where research has failed to establish an exact month of appointment or resignation. The next convention relates to publications - in almost all cases, the months given for editors of publications refer to the **month of issue** of the publication, not the calendar month in which the individual accepted or resigned the post. All elected positions (American Mensa) are treated as commencing on July 1 and ending on June 30, even though the switch-over technically occurs at the end of the annual business meeting. Finally, an individual serving in an appointed position has been considered to be serving continuously throughout the appointment, even if there were technical breaks due to the timing of an AMC or IBD meeting.

The sources I have searched to obtain the information presented herein include the *Mensa Bulletin, American Mensa Activities Report, The Mensa Quarterly, The Mensa Proceedings, Mensa Correspondence, Interim, Intelligence, Mensa Research Journal, International Journal, Mensa World, Mensa News Service, Mensa Press, Mensa Newswire, InterLoc, Isolated M, SIGnet,* various SIG newsletters, minutes of AMC, IBD and IGC meetings, officers' reports, and newsletters from over 200 local, regional and foreign Mensa groups. Victor Serebriakoff's book *Mensa: The Society for the Highly Intelligent* was a great help in understanding the early history of our society. The records in the national office were also invaluable, as was the assistance of the office staff. In addition, Gordie Andersen's *Minnesota Mensa - the First 25 years - A History* is a wonderfully-woven chronicle of local, national and international Mensa history. Another excellent local group history was recently published by Mid-America Mensa (Kansas City area) and is entitled *Mid-America Mensa, The First Thirty Years*, by Mary Washburn (edited by Cleve P. Garvin). If you can get a copy of either of these books, I highly recommend doing so.

Thank you's go to the erstwhile national office staff in Brooklyn and the new staff in Fort Worth, as well as to Gordon Andersen for the work he has done in this area and his willingness to share it. Thanks are also due to many others, including Marshall Arkin, Peggy Cobb, John Coons, Rose Lee Crutcher, Fred Davis, Ted Elzinga, Sherrill Foote, Harper Fowley, Dave Humes, Velma Jeremiah, Linda Kelso, Helen Kupper, Henry Noble, Perry Oliver, Sander Rubin, Victor Serebriakoff, Amy Shaughnessy, E. Jimmee Stein, Peter Sturgeon, Norris Swan, Ed Vincent, Ray Voet, Dr. Lancelot Ware, Gabe Werba, "Wicks", John Wilcock and everyone else who contributed their insight, data or comments. Most of all, I want to acknowledge and thank my wife Donna. Without her support, love and understanding, as well as her technical expertise in computer graphics, this project would have died at conception, back in 1989.

Additional revisions of this work may be forthcoming, my time permitting. Portions of this work may also appear in other media, such as electronic databases and file repositories. Any and all corrections, additions and comments will be welcomed, as will donations of Mensa memorabilia (but please write first!). Thanks!

Now - read on . . . and enjoy!

Vince Bonzagni

Original Mensa Emblem



Designed by J. Hamilton Young of England, in 1946.

Present Mensa Emblem



Designed by Peter Devenish of Middlesex, England, in 1969.

20th Anniversary Logo*



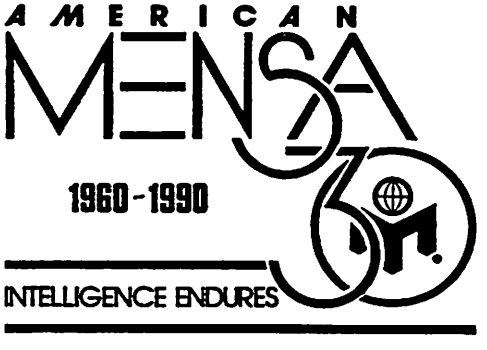
Designed by George Lasch of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1980.

25th Anniversary Logo*



Designed by M.E. Robinson, in 1985.

30th Anniversary Logo*



Designed by Neil D. Tortorella of Ohio, in 1989.

50th Anniversary Logo



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* *American* Mensa

RULES AND CONSTITUTION

1. The annual Membership Subscription is 30/-. There is no Entrance Fee

2. Members receive the Society's periodical free of charge. It is published monthly, except in September and October

3. The general work of the Society is carried on by the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer. There is also a third official, known as the ' Corps d'esprit,' whose duty it is to represent the Society at public functions

4. Mensa is absolutely democratic — even committees are avoided. Decisions are taken by postal ballot. The Secretary is obliged to submit to such a ballot any motion proposed by one Member and seconded by another



Text by J.H.H.Y. Printed by Holywell Press, Oxford.

Mensa's first Constitution - 1947

Mensa

An Exclusive Round Table Society

THERE are in Great Britain about 6,000 people eligible for membership of ' Mensa.' We hope that some 10 per cent. of these will actually join. Eligibility depends solely on the candidate's general level of intelligence — as assessed by what we consider to be the fairest intelligence test extant.* Some of our members are highly successful men, others are quite unknown. Mensa succeeds in gathering together genuinely intelligent men and women; not merely those who, socially or financially, happen to have ' got away with it.' It is noteworthy, too, that men who have failed a University Degree have passed this intelligence test; for, unlike nearly all examinations, it does not depend on memory. Having passed his test, the candidate automatically becomes a Member on payment of his first subscription. The advantages of membership are as follows :—

SOCIAL INTRODUCTIONS. One of the main functions of the Society is to arrange social introductions between suitable members. Mensa can therefore scarcely fail to enable you to meet some very interesting people. Also, to those of the unmarried who believe that clever husbands should be married to clever wives, Mensa introductions have a double interest

POLITICAL INFLUENCE. In a very few years time, Mensa, as a body, should begin to exert a real influence in the spheres of politics and economics (it will stand, of course, not for this or that theory or creed; but for the unbiassed, common-sense solution of the specific problem under consideration). For, sooner or later, it must surely occur to John Citizen and his parliamentary representatives that, if an unprejudiced body of the most intelligent people in the kingdom are agreed on a certain policy, there must be something to be said for that policy. Mensa should also provide some parliamentary and local government candidates from within its own ranks — and we sadly need a few more intelligent people at the top! Mensa should, therefore, have a valuable contribution to make towards national and world progress

MUTUAL ASSISTANCE. Members of Mensa will have sufficient intelligence to see the obvious advantages of helping each other into more suitable positions and more congenial environments. In other ways, too, they should be able to give each other a very real measure of mutual encouragement and support

INTERESTING DATA. Mensa is also a psychological experiment. As such, it can scarcely fail to provide some extremely interesting data. All such data will be circulated to members in a monthly periodical. Every member is invited to contribute articles and items of information likely to interest his fellow-members

*The test takes about an hour. It consists of a series of problems, in print. The candidate has, in each case, merely to put a cross against what he considers the correct solution out of several alternatives. He is timed by the member giving him the test, and leaves the latter to forward his paper for correction. You will probably agree that the test itself is every bit as entertaining as your first cross-word puzzle.

Recruitment pamphlet - circa 1948

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section 1

mensa:
the early years



mensa: the beginning (1945 - 1954)

[Author's note: The early history of Mensa has been chronicled quite nicely by Victor Serebriakoff in "Mensa: The Society for the Highly Intelligent." This section is intended to merely touch on those early days, adding a bit of information not detailed elsewhere.]

Lancelot Lionel Ware was born June 5, 1915, in England. In 1945, he was studying law at Oxford (he had received a PhD in organic chemistry in 1938). Dr. Ware had become interested in intelligence testing shortly before the war, while he was working at the National Institute for Medical Research. When his father died in 1940, Dr. Ware was left to care for the education of his sister, Elaine, ten years his junior. She had not been doing particularly well in school, despite her apparent intelligence. So, Dr. Ware began testing as many friends, students and academic colleagues as he could - he also tested his sister, who turned out to have a score well above the university norm. The test results from this project later provided the first set of "leads" for Mensa candidates. Following several years of wartime research work, Dr. Ware resumed his academic studies in 1945, going up to Oxford to study law. At about that time, he realized that the people he most enjoyed being with seemed to share the common characteristic of high intelligence. He began to give some thought to the idea of a club for such people, where the criteria for membership was objective, rather than subjective or by recommendation. Dr. Ware felt that such a club might lead to something and allow people to expand their knowledge of similar people. Indeed!

Roland Fabian Berrill was a 49 year old barrister in 1945. Berrill never practiced law, since he had a sizeable private income. He was the younger son of well-to-do family that had wanted a daughter for their second child. Roland was thus not afforded the same opportunities as his older brother Adrian, and had spent much of his life striving to be like him. Berrill, born in Australia but educated in England, was interested in many esoteric things, such as astrology, phrenology and Dianetics; he may even have considered the idea of high-IQ club at one time. Since he was not aware that he had a very high IQ until he was tested in 1946, this is somewhat speculative. However, he had considered the idea of distinguishing outstanding people using phrenology as the test.

In any event, on a hot August day in 1945, Berrill and Ware met by chance in the first class cabin of a train travelling from Waterloo Station to Godalming (in Surrey). Ware was reading *Hansard*, the British Parliamentary report, when Berrill sat down next to him, leaned over and asked if that was *Hansard* he was reading. Ware responded, "Well, you can see that it is, can't you?" Berrill persisted in his attempts to converse, though, and the two unsuspecting pioneers chatted briefly and exchanged cards at the end of the trip.

For many years, the story had been that between September and November of that year, Sir Cyril Burt, a prominent university professor of psychology, made several broadcasts on the BBC in which he put forth several ideas relating to high intelligence, including the idea of a panel of intelligent people who could be polled for their opinions on important matters. It had generally been believed that Burt's broadcasts provided the impetus for Berrill to get back in touch with Dr. Ware concerning a high-IQ club, which he did toward the end of 1945.

Dr. Ware discovered, however, that the scripts of Burt's BBC broadcasts (in the BBC archives) from that period contain no mention by Sir Cyril of the high-IQ club idea. Many of the early members continued to maintain that they heard these broadcasts, and Sir Cyril himself frequently mentioned them. We may never be absolutely sure. Burt may have ad-libbed the high-IQ suggestion, or it may have come from one of his later (1946) broadcasts, after Mensa had been formed. In any event, it is undisputed that high-IQ clubs of various kinds had existed for many years, particularly in the universities of the world. And, for whatever reason, Berrill did write to Dr. Ware, subsequently going to Oxford to visit with him (and discuss intelligence) at Dr. Ware's flat at 12 St. John Street - the seeds of Mensa were sown.

Please allow this chronicler an indulgence at this point. There has been some controversy over the

years as to whether Berrill, Ware, Burt, or some combination of them, was Mensa's "founder." From the massive amount of material I have read over the past 5 years, I have concluded that Mensa did not have a single "founder." Dr. Ware was the idea man, the spark of creativity and the inspiration for the concept of Mensa; but he had no desire (or time) to pursue the details of bringing the idea to fruition. Roland Berrill, on the other hand, took up the challenge of implementing the Mensa idea and making it a reality. He did the work (or co-opted others to help) and, essentially, paid all the bills during the early years. Mensa could not have developed without both men's contributions - thus, I cast my vote for considering L.L. Ware and Roland Berrill as equal "co-founders" of Mensa.

On March 11, 1946, Dr. Ware administered the Cattell III "A" intelligence test to Berrill. Of course, he passed with flying colors. When he was told of the results, Berrill reportedly burst into tears - this was the first time in his life he had realized that he was worth something. Shortly thereafter, the two men (along with Elaine Ware) discussed details of "The High-IQ Club," as it was to be called. In considering a title for the club's magazine, Berrill proposed the name "Mens" (Latin for "mind"). However, Dr. Ware pointed out that this might be thought of as a "girlie" magazine (one was named "Men Only"), which were popular in England at the time. So, the name of the club was changed to "Mensa," since that is the first word one usually learns in Latin. The name was also consistent with Berrill's concept of a "round table" society. Some time later, it was noted that Mensa" is a triple pun (*Mens - Mensa - Menses* or *Mind - Table - Month*: suggesting monthly meetings of great minds around a table). On April 22, 1946, Berrill set the qualifying IQ level at 155 on the Cattell test, which we now know to be equivalent to the top 1%. Later, in a letter dated November 9, 1946, Sir Cyril Burt mistakenly informed Berrill that this level represented only 3 in 10,000. In 1960, the acceptance level was officially lowered (by a committee) to an IQ of 148 on the Cattell test, representing the top 2%.

Since he had the time, money and connections (with his family's printing firm) to do so, Berrill then set out to create "Mensa." In a July 1946 letter to Jaques Schupbach, one of the founding members, Berrill indicated that he planned to start "Mensa" in October, and that is exactly what he did. The first printed material was brought to the printer on October 1, 1946, and Mensa was (more or less officially) "born." Berrill's and Ware's address at that time was 12 St. John Street in Oxford. A commemorative plaque was placed at the site in a ceremony on October 2, 1971. I made my pilgrimage to 12 St. John Street in the fall of 1992 to see the plaque-it's bright yellow and black in color.

Originally, the annual subscription (dues) was 30 shillings (about $2.60), payable on the member's birthday. The dues actually decreased a short time later to 10 shillings. Attempts to raise the subscription to a pound ($3.00) failed in 1951 (In the February 1951 issue of The Mensa Quarterly, the Honorary Treasurer ordained that the subscription was to be one pound, but he was apparently overruled at some point, because it remained at 10 shillings) and 1956, but finally passed in 1959. The dues were raised to two pounds ($6.00) in October 1963.

Berrill felt that Mensa should operate as a clan, being the size of a clan (no more than 600 members) and having the constitution of a clan (i.e., none). Indeed, the first "constitution" in early 1947 provided for no committees and no elections - just "The Secretary" (Berrill) and "The Treasurer" (chosen by Berrill). Disputes were to be settled by postal referenda, proposed by any two members! Other early treasurers were; Yorke Crompton (1946-47), Kenneth Passmore Brown (1947-06/48), Paul Griffin (07/48-10/51), Ralph Spicer (11/51 - 10/59), and Stephen F. Russell (11/59-06/64).

A while later, though, Berrill (not known for his consistency) decided that there was to be a third official, known as the "Corps d'Esprit." In practice, this was the most attractive female Mensa member that Berrill could coerce into accepting the post. Official duties included welcoming new members and attending formal affairs as the society's representative. The story is told of a 1948 dinner at which the Corps d'Esprit sat (in misery) *au natural* on a zebra (or leopard) skin-covered ormolu throne while the diners dutifully raised their glasses in the Mensa royal toast!

At the 1949 Annual Gathering, a commission was set up to examine the society's operation. Their report called for the establishment of a "Council of 8." The membership (about 250 at this point) agreed and the first Council met on July 18, 1950. It met several times over the next year and a half, but accomplished



Congratulations on becoming a member of Mensa and a sincere welcome to our circle.

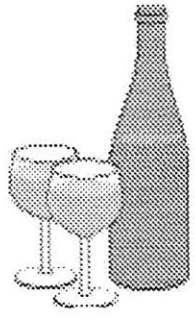
Vera R. Davies

Corps d'Esprit A.D. 48. Mensa.

Greeting card to new member from
Vera Rose Davies, Corps d'Esprit - 1948

little, testifying to the inefficiency of a committee whose members were chosen by lot! At the 1951 Annual Gathering, Berrill was returned as autocratic ruler and the Council resigned *en masse.*

However, Berrill was embittered and disillusioned by the events that had transpired; he turned over leadership of the society to Joseph Wilson in January 1952. Dr. Ware had also allowed his membership to lapse by this time. Without their leadership and Berrill's deep purse, activity waned and members left, until Mensa had only 100 members and the sole activity was a monthly dinner at which 3 or 4 members showed up. Fortunately, one of those members was Victor Serebriakoff, who had joined Mensa on January 13, 1950. As the Wilson brothers were discussing ending the organization toward the end of 1953, Victor suggested that it would be a shame to do so. Recognizing the opportunity, Joseph Wilson immediately urged Victor to have a go at trying to get things active again. He assumed the duties of Secretary in October 1953 and was elected to the position at the Annual Gathering in November 1954. Victor Serebriakoff's tireless efforts throughout the 1950's saved Mensa and began to shape it into the 100,000+ member organization we know today.



the "corps d'esprit"
(1947 - 1952)

Dorothy Gee	late 1947 - 03/48
Vera Rose Davies	04/48 - 03/49
Valerie Wilkinson	05/49 - 1950
Margaret Lazarides	1950 - 1951
Win Rouse (Serebriakoff)	1951 - 1952

early mensa publications (1947 - 1960)

(*) denotes magazine format; others were in leaflet format

The Mensa Magazine

Old Series, V1, #1*	April 1947
Old Series, V1, #2*	May 1947
Old Series, V1, #3*	June 1947
Old Series, V1, #4*	July 1947
Old Series, V1, #5*	August 1947

The Mensa Quarterly

Old Series, V1, #1*	August 1948
Old Series, V1, #2*	November 1948
Old Series, V1, #3*	February 1949
Old Series, V1, #4*	May 1949
Volume 2, #1	November 1949
Volume 2, #2	February 1950
Volume 2, #3	May 1950
Volume 2, #4	August 1950
Volume 3, #1	February 1951
Volume 3, #2	July 1951
Volume 4, #1	January 1952
Volume 4, #2	April 1952
Volume 4, #3	July 1952
Volume 4, #4	October 1952
Volume 5, #1	April 1953
Volume 5, #2	July 1953

The Mensa Proceedings

Volume 6, #1	November 1955
Volume 6, #2	July 1956
Volume 6, #3	February 1957
Volume 7, #1	September 1958
Volume 7, #2	March 1959
Volume 7, #3*	June 1960

Roland Berrill was the Editor for most publications through 1951. Victor Serebriakoff edited most publications from 1953 to 1960, sometimes with assistants.

membership totals (1946 - 1965)

11/46	6*
02/47	14
07/47	22
11/47	33
03/49	145
10/49	220
06/50	244
04/51	242
01/52	280
07/53	120
1956	100
1957	200
11/58	417
05/59	600
11/59	750
11/60	1,589
12/64	8,031
09/65	10,556

* Roland Berrill, L.L. Ware, Elaine Ware, Jaques Schupbach, Yorke Crompton, and Dorothy Gee.

menu: dinner meeting of december 6, 1947

(the first general meeting)

Held at "Jill-on-the-Green" Restaurant in Soho, London. There were 14 members present.

Minestrone;
Vol-au-vent Cattell,
avec Pommes Noisettes Raven,
et Petits Choux de Brouxelles;
Trifle Terman-Binet;
Cafe.

secretaries/chairmen/general secretaries of mensa

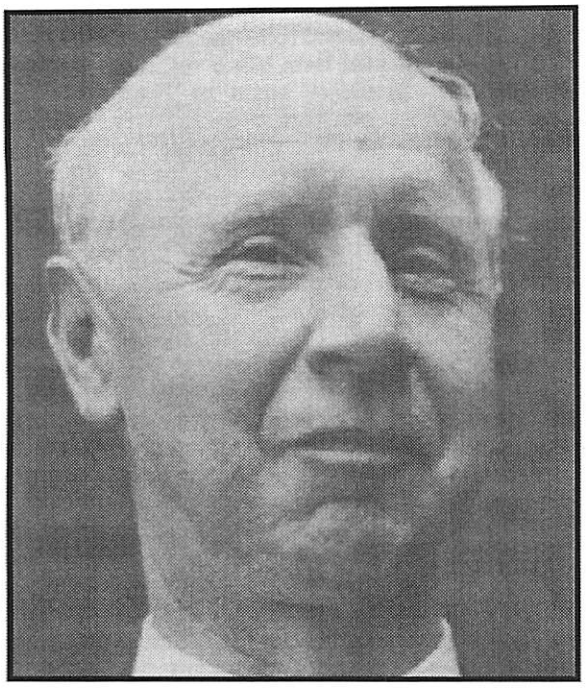
Roland Berrill (S)	10/46 - 01/52	*The first Council consisted of the following members: Roland Berrill, Cyril G. Eastwood, Edmund Ashton, Edward P. Cramp, Charles Howard Lawdham, Ann Massie, Hugo Gordon Sharp, and Anthony Villiers-Smith.
(Councils of 8)*	07/50 - 11/51	
Joseph Wilson (S)	01/52 - 11/54	
Joseph Wilson (C)	11/54 - 02/68	
Victor Serebriakoff** (S)	11/54 - 02/68	
Alan J. Mayne (C)	02/68 - 11/69	
Joseph Frisch (GS)	02/68 - 11/69	**Victor actually assumed the duties of the office in October 1953, but did not become Secretary until the Annual Gathering in November 1954. Joseph Wilson remained (until the early 1960's) as "Chairman." Also, a new "Council" was appointed at the 1954 Annual Gathering, but there is no evidence that it ever met.
Frank E.G. Weil (C)	11/69 - 12/70	
Bob van den Bosch (GS)	11/69 - 04/71	
Victor Serebriakoff (C)	01/71 - 04/82	
Nigel Searle (GS)	04/71 - 12/73	
Ian Palmer (GS)	01/74 - 12/76	
George Hopkins (GS)	01/77 - 12/79	
Madsen Pirie (GS)	01/80 - 04/82	
Hyman Brock (C)	07/82 - 06/87	
David Schulman (C)	07/87 - 06/91	***From 1964 through April 1982, there were both an International Chairman and an International General Secretary.
Velma Jeremiah (C)	07/92 - 06/95	
Udo Schultz (C)	07/95 -	

annual gatherings (1948 to 1962)

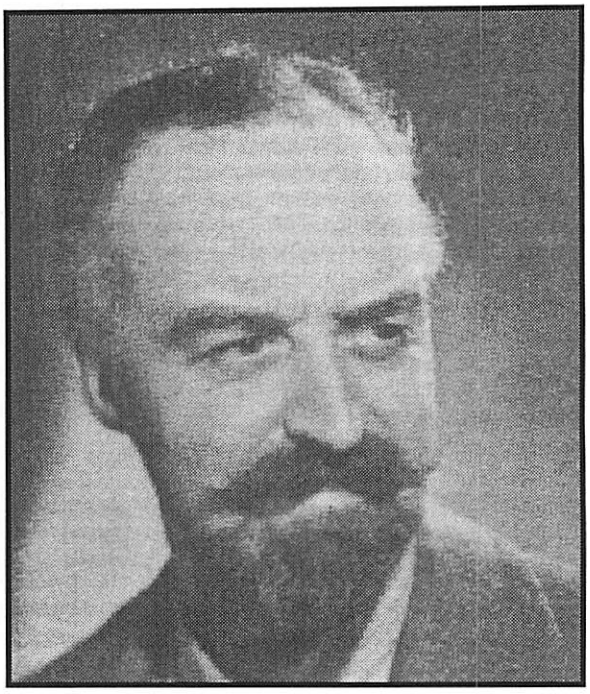
Date(s)	Location	Approx. Attendance	Speaker
11/06 - 11/07/48	Cumberland Hotel	30+	(none)
11/05 - 11/06/49	Cumberland Hotel	60	(none)
11/04 - 11/05/50	Charing Cross Hotel	60	(none)
11/03 - 11/04/51	Charing Cross Hotel		(none)
11/01 - 11/02/52	Charing Cross Hotel		(none)
11/07 - 11/08/53	Charing Cross Hotel		(none)
11/06 - 11/07/54	Charing Cross Hotel		Dr. Carter
11/20/55	Charing Cross Hotel		Dr. J.L. Watling
11/17 - 11/18/56	Charing Cross Hotel	40	Dr. Andrzejewski
11/16 - 11/17/57	Charing Cross Hotel	30	Dr. Gellner/Viola Clyne
11/15 - 11/16/58	Charing Cross Hotel	70+	Prof. Philip Vernon
10/31 - 11/01/59	Charing Cross Hotel		Sir Cyril Burt
11/04 - 11/06/60	The Hotel Russell	208	Prof. Reginald Kapp
11/17 - 11/19/61	The Hotel Russell	198	Prof. H.J. Eysenck
11/16 - 11/18/62	The Conway Hall	350	Sir Peter Medawar

(all hotels located in London)
American and British Mensa started holding separate Annual Gatherings in 1963.

the founding fathers



Dr. Lionel Lancelot Ware:
Founder and Originator of Mensa



Roland Berrill: a Founder of
Mensa and the first Secretary



Sir Cyril Burt: Instigator and
President of Mensa



Victor Serebriakoff: Developer and Builder of
Mensa, Secretary, Chairman, and President

American Mensa: The Beginning (1960 to 1965)

The first handful of American members of Mensa joined during the "rebuilding" years from 1951 to 1959. They were usually Britons living in the U.S. (or Canada) or Americans who had learned about Mensa while visiting England. Two of the earliest references in *The Mensa Correspondence* to members in the U.S. are in January 1959 (Val Gerry) and January 1960 (Dr. Asher A. Hyatt).

In late 1959, on one of his regular visits to England, a newspaper columnist named John Wilcock saw an advertisement for Mensa and sent for the test. Upon his return to America, Wilcock, who was a co-founder of *the village VOICE*, a Greenwich Village (New York City) "underground" newspaper, wrote about Mensa in his regular column "the village square," in the February 10, 1960 edition of the *VOICE*. The standard for admission at the time was the top 1%, representing a score of 155 on the Cattell test or 136 on the Binet test.

In late-February, Wilcock learned that he had scored 143 on the Cattell test (96th percentile) and thus did not qualify for membership. He so informed his readers in his column in the *VOICE* on March 2, 1960, adding the address of the Mensa Selection Agency (M.S.A., Sandringham, Briscot Road, Rainham, Essex, England) to the end of his column for those readers who might be interested. This column was read by one Peter A. Sturgeon of Brooklyn, a medical writer, who wrote to the Mensa Selection Agency on March 8, 1960. Peter completed the test and mailed it back to England on April 20, 1960; he passed the test and became a member as of May 1960. While this date was originally shown on early lists as his joining date, more recent lists show his joining date as September 8, 1960, possibly because he was behind in his dues. On August 17, 1960, Peter sent a letter to Groups Organizer Eric Hills in England, indicating an interest in setting up an American branch of Mensa. Eric responded by letter dated August 24, authorizing Peter to go ahead and forwarding him a list of the 22 members then in the United States. He assumed the title of Provisional Secretary (the "Provisional" part was soon dropped) and set about calling the first meeting, which was held on September 30, 1960.

Things moved rather slowly for the next year, even though there were regular meetings and membership increased seven-fold. There was much to do, administratively, and only a few hard-working volunteers to do it (and no money to do it with!). Then, in the fall of 1961, Peter convinced Victor Serebriakoff to help with the arrangements to establish an American Mensa Selection Agency. An ad was placed in the *New York Times* calling for an executive secretary. Victor came to New York in the first week of November to interview the candidates. The last one he saw he later described as a "talented, efficient and energetic lady." He induced this lady, Margot Seitelman, to become the American Mensa Selection Agency. Margot was known in those early days as "Madame AMSA." Of course, Margot later became our first Executive Director - she basically ran the day-to-day operations of American Mensa for thirty years, first from her living room and eventually from the office suite in Brooklyn.

Meanwhile, a bright, ambitious public relations specialist had attended his first Mensa meeting in September 1961 and had offered his expertise to the benefit of the group. This was fortuitous, as John Codella was to be the key figure in putting American Mensa on the map. He arranged for newspaper, magazine, radio and television publicity, virtually all of it free, and brought the name "Mensa" into countless homes. He also arranged for the U.S. publicity tours by Victor Serebriakoff in June 1964 and October 1965, both of which proved to be overwhelmingly successful in generating interest in the society.

"Minutes" had been taken of the "planning discussion" during the meeting of November 18, 1960; these brief notes survive (attached is the attendance list for the meeting). An "American

Committee" was formed sometime in mid-1961, with meetings held informally with whoever happened to show up. Titles changed frequently and "minutes" of those early meetings were taken by Peter Sturgeon or whoever else felt the urge to do so. There were no meetings from May to September 1962. By October 17, 1962, the date of the first official committee meeting for which minutes apparently survive, the Committee was more structured. At that meeting, it was suggested that the post of Treasurer be reactivated.

In this regard, a letter from Peter dated March 22, 1961, mentions that C. Ronald Bechtle, Jr. of Philadelphia had taken on the duties of Treasurer. He was replaced in August 1961 by Howard Reznikoff, who served into mid-1962. However, membership processing was done through England until January 1962 and most funds were handled by the Mensa Treasurer (Stephen Russell). Thus, a treasurer would have had little to do prior to 1962.

At any rate, John Codella volunteered to take on the additional responsibility of "Fiscal Officer" in October 1962 and served in that capacity until 1965. Subsequently, Alfred Rubenstein, who had been Mensa's Legal Counsel since 1960 and was responsible for drafting our original bylaws, became the first Treasurer under those Bylaws on January 31, 1965 (he served as "acting" Treasurer from December 7, 1964). The first American Mensa bank account was opened on January 31, 1965 at the Forest Hills branch of 1st National City Bank.

The American Mensa Research Committee was very active in the early years, publishing its first survey in 1962. In addition to the monthly "social" meetings, "research" surveys and analyses were of great interest to many members.

In October 1964, proposed bylaws and a ballot were circulated to the members. The ballots were counted on November 2, 1964, and showed an overwhelming approval of our first Bylaws (1,981 for and only 22 opposed). We were now really official! The first International Constitution had been approved in June 1964.

Peter Sturgeon resigned the post of Secretary on March 1, 1965 (effective April 30, when he moved to Switzerland) to accept a position with the World Health Organization. John Codella assumed the post of "Acting Chairman" until July 1, 1965, when he became our first Chairman. The first meeting of the elected North American Mensa Committee took place on July 12, 1965.

[Accordingly, the starting date of July 1, 1965 has been used for all pertinent positions listed in Section 2, even if some were in existence prior to that time. The pre-1965 officers are listed at the end of this section.]

First Meetings in the U.S. (1960 to 1962)

The first Mensa meeting in the United States was held on Friday, September 30, 1960, at the Brooklyn apartment (105 Ashland Place) of Peter A. Sturgeon. This is generally regarded as the "birthday" of American Mensa. There were five members present at that meeting: Peter A. Sturgeon, Abe Kipnis, Wayne Green, Edmund L. Epstein and Virginia Londner). Peter's wife, Ines, also attended the meeting.

The second meeting, on Friday, October 28, 1960, was also held at Peter Sturgeon's apartment. This time, 16 members attended.

The third meeting took place on Friday, November 18, 1960, at the New York City home of Abe Kipnis. There were 19 in attendance.

The fourth meeting was held on Friday, December 16, 1960, at the home of Wayne Green. The fifth meeting was in January 1961, chez Ted Wilentz. 20 members showed up. The subsequent meetings in 1961 took place at the homes of Dr. Robert Ayres, Abe Kipnis, Ted Wilentz and Peter Sturgeon.

All meetings took place in the New York City area until late 1961. Other groups were being formed, however. At the July 1961 meeting, it was noted that "two people are going to try to start a group in Mass." In August 1961, it was noted that "M's in Massachusetts, Westchester County and Queens are trying to form local groups."

Monthly meetings were held in the Boston area beginning in October 1961. Rapid local group development occurred during the next several months, and by mid-1962, meetings were being held all over the country.

Terry (Terence D. Claeys) Kuch was appointed LocSec of the Bay Area group in San Francisco about six months after he joined in May 1961. Meetings were usually held in the Haight-Ashbury area, and the attendees included Terry, Edyth Short, Walter Breen (the well-known numismatist), John Klempner (now known as John Bear), Carol Muhlenberg (Boyer), and Kevin Langdon. From 1962 through 1964, Terry and Edyth alternatively acted as *de facto* LocSecs of the group.

early speakers at local group meetings (1961 - 1965)

Many of the early Mensa meetings in the U.S., especially in New York City, featured a well-known guest speaker. Some of the early speakers at Boston and New York City Mensa meetings included: "hipster" painter and poet Ted Jonas (5/61); psychotherapist and author Dr. Albert Ellis (1/63); anthropologist Dr. Margaret Mead (3/63); scientist and author Dr. Isaac Asimov (11/63 and 2/64); songwriter and humorist Tom Lehrer (2/64); New York City Mayor John Lindsay (4/64); rocket scientist Dr. Willy Ley (2/65); magician and skeptic James "The Amazing" Randi (5/65); playwright Edward Albee (9/65); and radio raconteur Jean Shepherd (1/66).

a sampling of well-known speakers at american annual gatherings (1963 - 1996)

1963 Theodore Mann (Broadway Producer)
Paul Krassner (Writer & Editor)
1964 Victor Serebriakoff
1967 Buckminster Fuller (Inventor/Futurist)
1969 Dr. William Shockley (Nobel Laureat)
1970 Joshua Eilberg (Congressman)
1971 Dr. Denton Cooley (Heart Surgeon)
Madalyn Murray O'Hair (Atheist)
1972 Victor Serebriakoff
1974 Buckminster Fuller
Prof. Raymond Cattell
1976 Victor Serebriakoff
1978 Marvin Grosswirth
1980 Melvin Belli (Attorney)
Mell Lazarus (Cartoonist - Momma & Miss Peach)
Robert Graham (Nobel Sperm Bank)
1981 Marvin Grosswirth
John Y. Brown (Kentucky Governor)
1982 Bill Bradley (U.S. Senator)
1984 Chris Sizemore (Eve of "The 3 Faces of Eve")
1989 Paul Craft (Songwriter)
1990 Walter Koenig (Actor)
Dr. Demento (Radio & Music)
William Christopher (Actor)
Mell Lazarus
1992 Dr. Lancelot L. Ware (Mensa founder)
1994 - 1997 Richard Lederer (Author)
1996 Buzz Aldrin (Astronaut)
Jeff Millar (Cartoonist - Tank McNamara)

Mensa Trivia Tidbit

One of the sites considered by the planning committee for the 1976 American Mensa Annual Gathering (eventually held in Valley Forge, PA) was the Bellevue Stratford in Philadelphia. But. the place was already booked. Four weeks after the A.G., the American Legion used the hotel for their 1976 state convention. Good thing (for us) it was booked - otherwise, what has become known as Legionnaires' Disease might have been called "Brain Fever!"

American Mensa Committee: Pre-Bylaws (1961 - 1965)

November 1961

American Secretary	Peter A. Sturgeon
Public Relations	John Codella
Treasurer (to 5/62)	Howard Reznikoff
Local Groups Organizer	Helen Tono
Psychological Advisor	Dr. Jim Sacks
Legal Counsel	Alfred Rubenstein
Activities Director	Abe Kipnis

July 1962

American Secretary	Peter A. Sturgeon
Public Relations Officer	John Codella
Fiscal Officer (10/62)	John Codella
Local Groups Organizer	Helen Tono
Psychological Advisor	Dr. Jim Sacks
Research Committee Chairman	Dr. W.J. "Jay" Merrill
Activities Officer	Abe Kipnis
Legal Counsel	Alfred Rubenstein
NYC Representative	Anna Lee van Overhagen

September 1963

Secretary	Peter A. Sturgeon
Public Relations Officer	John Codella
Fiscal Officer	John Codella
Local Groups Officer	Helen Tono
(as of 11/63)	Evelyn Glor
Psychological Advisor	Dr. Jim Sacks
Research Committee Chairman	Dr. Jay Merrill
Activities Officer	Anna Lee van Overhagen
(and 9/63-10/63 only)	Evelyn Glor
Legal Counsel	Alfred Rubenstein
NYC Representative	Jules B. Singer

May 1964

Secretary	Peter A. Sturgeon
Public Relations	John Codella
Fiscal Officer (to 12/64)	John Codella
Local Groups	Evelyn Glor
Psychological Advisor	Dr. Jim Sacks
Research Committee Chairman	Brian Heald
Activities Officer	Anna Lee van Overhagen
Legal Counsel	Alfred Rubenstein
NYC Representative	Jules B. Singer

November 1964 to June 1965

Secretary (to 4/65)	Peter A. Sturgeon
Acting Chairman (4/65)	John Codella
Public Relations	John Codella
Fiscal Officer (11/64 only)	John Codella
Treasurer (12/64)	Alfred Rubenstein
Local Groups	Evelyn Glor
Supervising Psychologist	Dr. Jim Sacks
Research Committee Chairman	Brian Heald
NYC Representative	Jules B. Singer
Legal Counsel	Alfred Rubenstein
Recorder	Cynthia Sand
Premises Secretary (1/65)	Ronald Scher

section 2

american mensa officers

the chairmen of american mensa



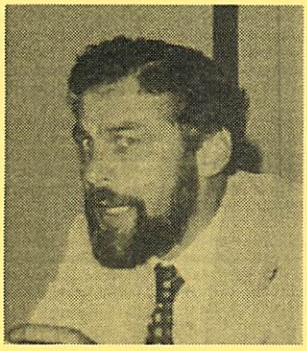
John J. Codella



Jules B. Singer



Herbert Ahrend



Sander Rubin



Marvin Grosswirth



Charles M. Fallon



Gabriel Werba



Henry Schofield Noble



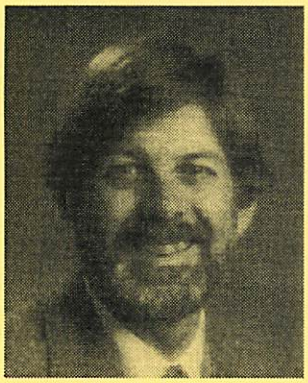
Amy E. Shaughnessy



Ralph G. Rudolph



David D. Felt



Richard A. Amyx



Darlene J. Criss



Dave Remine

American Mensa Officers

Current Elected Positions

Chairman

John J. Codella	07/65 - 05/66
Jules B. Singer	05/66 - 06/67
Herbert Ahrend	07/67 - 06/69
Sander Rubin	07/69 - 06/73
Marvin Grosswirth	07/73 - 06/75
Charles M. Fallon	07/75 - 06/79
Gabriel Werba	07/79 - 06/83
Henry Schofield Noble	07/83 - 06/85
Amy E. Shaughnessy	07/85 - 06/89
Ralph G. Rudolph	07/89 - 06/91
David D. Felt	07/91 - 06/93
Richard A. Amyx*	07/93 - 07/95
Darlene J. Criss*	07/95
Dave Remine*	07/95 -

* Near the end of the 1995 Annual Business Meeting, Chairman Richard Amyx first announced that he declined to serve the upcoming (7/95-6/97) term as Chairman to which he had been elected. He then announced his immediate resignation as Chairman. The gavel was offered to Darlene Criss (the outgoing First Vice Chairman), but she had left. Fred Berg was therefore handed the gavel to close the meeting as Acting Chairman, which he did. He then introduced Dave Remine (elected as First Vice Chairman for the 7/95-6/97 term) as the new Chairman of American Mensa. At that time, Fred Berg became First Vice Chairman. James E.T. Lange, Mensa's Interpretive Counsel, subsequently determined that Darlene Criss technically became Chairman upon Mr. Amyx's resignation, and was therefore to be considered as the Immediate Past Chairman of the Society. Richard Amyx was found to be the Second Past Chairman and David Felt became the Chairman of the Hearings Committee. Sallie Banko was appointed by the AMC at its August 1995 meeting to fill the vacant Second Vice Chair position. Subsequently, on or about September 10, 1995, Fred Berg resigned as First Vice Chair, so Sallie Banko became First Vice Chair at that time, moving up from her position as Second Vice Chair. A mail ballot to fill the vacated Second Vice Chair position was not agreed to by the entire AMC (as required for a mail ballot), so the position was not filled until the December 1995 AMC meeting, by the appointment of Tony Jackowski.

First Vice Chairman

Jules B. Singer	07/65 - 05/66
Brian M. Heald	05/66 - 05/67
Dr. Emerson Coyle	07/67 - 06/69
Stuart W. Friedman	07/69 - 06/71
Terence D.C. Kuch	07/71 - 06/75
Gabriel Werba	07/75 - 06/79
Paul Victor	07/79 - 03/80
Roy C. Saper	03/80 - 06/83
Amy E. Shaughnessy	07/83 - 06/85
Ralph G. Rudolph	07/85 - 06/87
Rose Lee B. Crutcher	07/87 - 06/91
Darlene J. Criss*	07/91 - 07/95
Dave Remine*	07/95
Fred "Bear" Berg*	07/95 - 09/95
Sallie Banko*	09/95 - 06/97
Robert Beatty	07/97 -

* See note under "Chairman"

Second Vice Chairman

Brian M. Heald	07/65 - 05/66
Evelyn Glor Malpas	07/66 - 06/67
Joseph Frisch	07/67 - 10/68
Robert J. Hume	10/68 - 06/69
James G. Sprague	07/69 - 06/71
Stuart W. Friedman	07/71 - 06/73
Fred Lowenstein	07/73 - 06/75
Harper Fowley	07/75 - 06/79
Roy C. Saper	07/79 - 03/80
Hans G. Frommer	04/80 - 06/83
David F. Mann	07/83 - 06/85
Christin Keck	07/85 - 06/87
Charles G. Schilling	07/87 - 03/88
David D. Felt	03/88 - 06/91
John D. Cumming	07/91 - 06/93
Fred "Bear" Berg*	07/93 - 07/95
Sallie Banko*	08/95 - 09/95
Anthony E. Jackowski*	12/95 - 06/97
Dr. Jean K. Becker	07/97 -

* See note under "Chairman"

Treasurer

Alfred Rubenstein	07/65 - 09/66
Edmond S. Boe	10/66 - 02/67*
Sander Rubin	03/67 - 06/69
Alan J. Truelove**	07/69 - 06/75
Arthur Gardner	07/75 - 06/79
Henry Schofield Noble	07/79 - 03/82
Roy C. Saper (acting)	03/82 - 06/82
Harry A. Rider	07/82 - 06/85
Arthur E. Mattson	07/85 - 06/89
Dave Remine	07/89 - 06/93
T. Warren "Tim" Hardy	07/93 - 06/95
Stacey M. Kirsch Van Geest	07/95 -

* Caretaker committee from 3/6/67 to 3/30/67; no actions taken - Brian Heald, Chairman.

** AMC suspended Truelove 8/70 - 1/71, during which time Arthur Gardner was Treasurer *pro tem.*

Secretary

Evelyn Glor Malpas	07/65 - 06/66
Cynthia F. Sand	07/66 - 06/67
Irene S. Turchin	07/67 - 06/69
Robert J. Hume	07/69 - 09/70
Ken Robinson	10/70 - 06/77
Hans G. Frommer	07/77 - 04/80
Beth A. Sample	04/80 - 06/81
Ravenna L. Oakes	07/81 - 06/83
David D. Felt	07/83 - 03/88
Darlene J. Criss	03/88 - 06/91
Jean L. Cooper	07/91 - 06/95
M. Russell Bakke	07/95 -

current appointed (voting) positions

("Assistant" positions are non-voting)

Membership Officer

(Membership Committee Chairman, 1967 - 1969)

Dr. Emerson Coyle	07/65 - 01/67
Vernon K. Schumann	02/67 - 06/71
Arthur Gardner	07/71 - 06/75
Roy C. Saper	07/75 - 06/77
Jacquelyn E. Gentry	07/77 - 06/79
Virginia R. Long	07/79 - 04/80
Ravenna L. Oakes	04/80 - 06/81
Susanne J. Wright	07/81 - 02/82
Rue E. Mathison	03/82 - 06/83
Marianne Graci	07/83 - 11/85
Margie F. Holcomb	11/85 - 11/86
David K. Kageyama	12/86 - 06/89
Patricia M. Wood	07/89 - 06/91
Susan W. Ramsdell	07/91 - 06/93
LeAnne M. Spivey Porter	07/93 - 06/97
Vivien Stainforth	07/97 - 08/97
Cat Sterrett	09/97 -

Assistant Membership Officer

Janice Johnson	12/90 - 06/91

Publications Officer

Stan Bercovitch	07/72 - 06/73
Mary Jane Watson	07/73 - 01/75
Charles M. Fallon	01/75 - 06/75
Richard A. Amyx	07/75 - 06/79
Beth A. Sample	07/79 - 04/80
Virginia R. Long	04/80 - 06/81
Susan L. Wantland	07/81 - 11/82
Richard A. Amyx	03/83 - 06/83
Cynthia deBerry Fisher	07/83 - 06/85
Harry A. Rider	07/85 - 05/86
Linda Kelso	05/86 - 06/89
Wayne T. Spies	07/89 - 01/90
Tyger R. Gilbert	02/90 - 06/91
Stacey M. Kirsh Van Geest	07/91 - 06/93
James E. Bunstock	07/93 - 06/94
Bruce R. Kent	07/94 - 06/95
Arthur Swanson	07/95 - 06/97
Marie Mayer	07/97 -

Assistant Publications Officer

Lesley Montour	03/90 - 06/91

Director of Science and Education

("Research Officer" from 1965 to 1972)

Dr. Theodore L. (Ted) Tarson	07/65 - 06/67
Dr. Max L. Fogel	07/67 - 06/81
Stuart W. Friedman	07/81 - 06/83
Dr. Abbie F. Salny	07/83 - 06/87
Dr. Joan E. Bauman	07/87 - 06/95
Dr. Michael H. Jacobson	07/95 -

Assistant Director of Science and Education

Dr. Michael H. Jacobson	07/94 - 06/95

Development Officer

This position replaced "Public Relations Officer" (q.v.)

Al Zemsky (acting)	11/84 - 11/85
Donald L. Pendley	11/85 - 06/89
Gabriel Werba	07/89 - 06/91
Bambi Maxwell	07/91 - 06/93
The Joyce Lundeen	07/93 - 06/95
Bambi Maxwell	08/95 - 07/96
Donald L. Pendley	07/96 -

current appointed (non-voting) positions

Ombudsman

Gabriel Werba	08/67 - 05/75
John R. Snow, Jr.	06/75 - 12/80
David Blythe	01/81 - 12/82
Vernon K. Schumann	06/83 - 12/87
James B. Wantland	01/88 - 10/88
John R. Snow, Jr.*	12/88 - 06/89
Dale W. Doughty*	07/89 - 08/89
Allen G. Neuner*	08/89 - 06/90
Allen G. Neuner	07/90 -

* "Ombudsman Liaison"

Legal Counsel

(* = Chairman of Legal Committee)

I. Jordan (Ike) Kunik	12/65 - 06/67
Abraham Wax	07/67 - 01/68
Jack M. Weinstein*	02/68 - 04/69
Jerome Elkind*	06/69 - 03/70
Karl F. Ross*	03/70 - 06/71
Lawrence G. Marshall*	07/71 - 11/73
Peter Dimitri	01/74 - 04/76
Warren G. Fox	05/76 - 04/81
Peter Dimitri (assoc.)	05/76 - 08/81
Henry Noble (assoc.)	05/76 - 06/79
Marvin Garbis	05/81 - 07/83
Marvin Garbis (1)	08/83 - 10/86
Karl F. Ross (3)	08/83 - 08/84
James E.T. Lange (2)	08/83 - 08/85
Clifton E. McCann (3)	11/84 -
Barbara Werthmann (2)	08/85 - 06/89
Michael L. Quinn (1)	11/86 - 06/94
James E.T. Lange (2)	07/89 -
W. Bradford Anderson (4)	07/94 - 06/95

(1) = Business & Tax Counsel
(2) = Interpretive Counsel
(3) = Intellectual Property Counsel
(4) = General Counsel

Supervisory Psychologist

Dr. James M. Sacks	07/65 - 12/66
Dr. Allan H. Frankle	01/67 - 11/78
Dr. Abbie F. Salny	11/78 -

Assistant Supervisory Psychologist

Dr. J. Kent Hollingsworth	12/89 -

SIGs Officer

Lloyd V. Rogers	08/66 - 06/67
Joan Anne Finan	10/67 - 04/68
Walter G. Schwartz	04/68 - 10/68
Stokes Lazarus	11/68 - 12/68

*** Duties performed by Groups Officer (q.v.) 1968 - 1985 ***

Charles G. Schilling	06/85 - 04/87
Ronald J. Roley	06/87 - 06/88
Gary J. Lee	07/88 - 06/89
Vincent F. Bonzagni	07/89 - 06/91
E. Bunny Warsh	07/91 - 02/93
Lisa Shea	03/93 - 06/95
W. Andrew York	07/95 -

Assistant SIGs Officer

Hope Svrcek	08/85 - 07/86
Ronald J. Roley	03/87 - 06/87
E. Bunny Warsh	08/90 - 06/91
Lisa Shea	07/91 - 03/93
W. Andrew York	05/93 - 06/95
Paula Trumble	08/95 -

SIGs Librarian

Judy Goldman	03/77 - 08/87
Rita Laws	09/87 - 04/92
Peter Spearing	04/92 -

Gifted Children's (Resource Program) Coordinator

Lloyd V. Rogers (S.F.)*	07/65 - 08/67
Irwin M. Marks (N.Y.C.)*	07/65 - 09/67
Irwin M. Marks (U.S.)	10/67 - 11/68
Herb Jacobs	11/68 - 06/71
Dr. Frederick K. Adams (1)	11/68 - 06/69
Lloyd V. Rogers	10/72 - 07/73
Dr. Helen Olive (2)	08/73 - 03/74
Ravenna L. Oakes	05/74 - 06/75
Carolyn Mellor	10/75 - 06/79
Charles M. Fallon	07/79 - 06/81
Roxanne H. Cramer	07/81 - 06/84
Dr. Dorothy Funk-Werblo (3)	11/83 - 05/85
Nancy Alvarado-Stone	08/84 - 08/85
John B. Ceccherelli	11/85 - 06/88
Margaret L. Stickler	07/88 - 06/90
Dr. Laura Katz Hathaway	07/90 - 06/94
Edwards H. Cleaveland, Jr.	07/94 - 06/96
Dr. Caroline E. Mossip	07/96 - 11/96
Edwards H. Cleaveland (act'g)	11/96 - 06/97
J. Kent Hollingsworth	07/97 -

* Gifted Children's Study Group, 1965 - 1967
(1) = Gifted Children Research & Study Coordinator
(2) = Gifted Children's Academic Advisor
(3) = National Advocate for the Intellectually Gifted

Assistant Gifted Children's (Resource Program) Coordinator

Edwards H. Cleaveland, Jr.	09/96 -

SIGHT* Coordinator

Ione Ferris	05/72 - 03/74
Joan Kollar	04/74 - 06/77
Jan Williams	09/77 - 05/79
Margot Miller Wood	07/79 - 06/93
Joan Kollar Currington	08/93 - 06/96
Dr. Jean K. Becker	07/96 -

* Service of International Guidance and Hospitality to Travelers (Originally, it stood for Special Interest Group for Hospitality to Travelers)

SIGHT was proposed and founded in June 1967 by June Alexander Solntseff, then living in Australia. Victor Serebriakoff had raised the possibility of a "hospitality exchange" in the March 1959 issue of *The Mensa Proceedings.*

Prior to 1978, there were **"Zone Coordinators" for SIGHT** in the U.S., as follows:

Judi Miller (PA)	*03/69 - 06/72*
Ione Ferris (WI)	*03/69* - 03/74
Sara Meric (CA)	*03/69* - 11/70
June Alexander Solntseff (CO)	12/70 - 03/71
Chuck Dimmick (CA)	01/71 - 06/73
Maddy DeLeon (NY)	04/71 - 06/72
Arthur Wohl (NY)	*07/73 - 06/74*
Joan Clymer (NJ)	*07/73 - 04/75*
Mary Lou Bischman (IL)	*07/73 - 12/77*
Nancy Berk (CO)	*07/73 - 06/74*
Mary Jane Stevens (CA)	*07/74 - 12/77*
Douglas Chung (HI)	*07/74 - 12/77*
Anita Raskin (TX)	*07/74 - 04/75*
Marc Fisher-Galati (FL)	*07/74* - 04/77
Thayer P. Burby (PA)	*09/76* - 02/77
Paulette Briggs (AK)	*09/76 - 12/77*
John Moore (TX)	*09/76 - 12/77*
Barbara Ramsey (PA)	*03/77 - 12/77*

Historian

Lloyd Pomeroy	07/74 - 09/75
Peggy Cobb	05/76 - 06/79
Rosemary Huerter and Raymond Voet	07/79 - 06/81
Vincent F. Bonzagni	12/89 -

Actuarial Advisor

William Lumsden	07/97 -

other current positions

Hearings Committee Chairman

Sander Rubin	07/79 - 06/83
Marvin Grosswirth	07/83 - 06/84
Charles M. Fallon	07/84 - 06/89
Gabriel Werba	07/89 - 06/91
Henry Schofield Noble	07/91 - 06/93
Amy E. Shaughnessy	07/93 - 06/95
David D. Felt	07/95 -

AMC Parliamentarian

Ted Tarson	*1960's*
Stan Bercovitch	02/75 - *1976*
Amy E. Shaughnessy	07/91 - 06/93
Didi Pancake	07/95 - 06/97
M. Russell Bakke	07/97 -

President of M.E.R.F.

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Herb Jacobs	03/71 - 10/72
Sander Rubin	11/72 - 10/74
Stuart W. Friedman	10/74 - 10/84
L. Martin Miller	10/84 - 11/86
Henry Schofield Noble	11/86 - 11/91
Dr. Dorothy Bloom (acting)	12/91 - 05/92
Dr. Francis Cartier	05/92 - 10/95
Dr. Michael H. Jacobson	10/95 -

National Representatives to the IBD (IGC prior to 1982)

Peter A. Sturgeon	07/62 - 04/65
John J. Codella*	05/65 - 06/66
Jules B. Singer	07/66 - 06/67
Herbert Ahrend	07/67 - 06/69
Sander Rubin	07/69 - 06/73
Marvin Grosswirth	07/73 - 06/75
Charles M. Fallon	07/75 - 06/79
Gabriel Werba	07/79 - 06/83
Charles M. Fallon	03/82 - 06/83
Roy C. Saper	03/82 - 06/83
Henry Schofield Noble	07/83 - 06/86
Velma Jeremiah	08/83 - 06/85
Hans G. Frommer	08/83 - 06/85
Helen L. Kupper	11/83 - 06/85
Amy E. Shaughnessy	07/85 - 06/91
Gabriel Werba	07/85 - 06/93
Harry A. Rider	07/85 - 06/86
Arthur E. Mattson	09/86 - 06/89
Darlene J. Criss	09/86 - 06/95
Rose Lee B. Crutcher	07/87 - 06/89
Ralph G. Rudolph**	07/89 - 06/91
Dave Remine	08/89 - 06/93
Susan J. Kraus (1)	08/89 - 06/91
David D. Felt	07/91 - 06/93
Amy E. Shaughnessy (1)	07/91 - 06/93
Rose Lee B. Crutcher (2)	07/91 - 06/93
Helen L. Kupper (3)	07/91 - 06/93
Richard A. Amyx	07/93 - 06/95
T. Warren "Tim" Hardy	07/93 - 06/94
W. Bradford Anderson	07/93 - 06/95
Jean L. Cooper	07/94 - 06/95
David D. Felt (1)	07/93 - 06/95
Amy E. Shaughnessy (2)	07/93 - 06/95
Dave Remine	07/95 -
Fred "Bear" Berg	07/95 - 09/95
Stacey M. Kirsch Van Geest	07/95 -
M. Russell Bakke	07/95 - 06/96
Sallie Banko (1)	08/95 - 09/95
Sallie Banko	09/95 - 06/97
Anthony E. Jackowski (1)	12/95 - 07/96
Anthony E. Jackowski	07/96 - 06/97
M. Russell Bakke (1)	07/96 - 06/97
Ed Ashworth (2)	07/96 - 06/97
Robert Beatty	07/97 -
M. Russell Bakke	07/97 -
Jim Werdell (1)	07/97 -
Dr. Jean K. Becker (2)	07/97 -

* Evelyn Glor Malpas was Codella's permanent proxy
** Gabriel Werba was proxy for Rudolph until 8/90
(1) = First Alternate
(2) = Second Alternate
(3) = Third Alternate

Nominating Committee Chairpersons

1971	Fredric M. Carlin
1973	Laurel M. Enters
1975	Nancy Berk
1977	Beth Pos
1979	S. Gail Skvarenina
1981	Jennifer Brown
1983	Jerome E. Salny
1985	Charlotte Jermyn
1987	Rod Vickers
1989	Rod Vickers
1991	Virginia Host
1993	Donna J. Bonzagni
1995	Helen Lee Moore
1997	Cher Burnham

Election Committee Chairpersons

(for regular bi-annual elections only)

1965	Dr. Emerson Coyle
1967	Robert Sokol
1969	Byron Cole
1971	Frank E.G. Weil
1973	Frank E.G. Weil
1975	Sheldon C. Hofferman

1977	Frank E.G. Weil
1979	Frank E.G. Weil
1981	Velma Jeremiah
1983	Velma Jeremiah
1985	Mary E. Jansing
1987	Judy Chandler
1989	Judy Chandler
1991	Richard & June Brasgalla
1993	John Pierce
1995	W. Brewster Gillett
1997	Mark Levy

positions from the past

American Premises Officer

Ronald P. Scher	07/65 - 06/67

This position existed at a time when the American Mensa group was attempting to secure funds to purchase or otherwise obtain a permanent "headquarters" for the organization.

Archivist

Herman Gelband	04/73 - 09/74
Wanda L. Jacobs	05/76 - 06/79
Claudia Ellis (Harbert)	07/81 - 07/83

(note: the ASIE's currently provide for this position, but it has not been filled at this writing)

College Groups Coordinator

Brian Weiss	08/70 - 09/72
Garvin Chastain III	01/73 - 06/73

Data Processing Officer

Sander Rubin	07/65 - 12/66
J. Thomas Gutman	06/69 - 02/70

Graphic Arts Advisor (08/70 - 09/75)
Design Consultant (10/75 - 06/84)

Lya Korda	08/70 - 06/84

Local Groups Officer (1965 - 1972)
Groups Officer (1972 - 1985)

Evelyn Glor Malpas	07/65 - 03/66
William E. Willoughby	05/66 - 08/66
Leo J. Burke, Jr.	10/66 - 06/67
Stuart W. Friedman	07/67 - 04/72
James G. Sprague	05/72 - 06/73
Harper Fowley	07/73 - 06/75
Virginia Hourigan	07/75 - 06/77
Paul Victor	07/77 - 06/79
Marcia B. Shuman	07/79 - 03/81
Ann-Marie L. Dobbs	04/81 - 06/83
Kevin Johnson	07/83 - 07/84
Charles G. Schilling	07/84 - 06/85

(Effective June 1985, the position of Groups Officer, a voting position on the AMC, was eliminated and replaced with the non-voting, appointed position of SIGs Officer)

LOTS* Coordinator (3/92 - 6/93)
Leadership Development Coordinator (8/93)

Linda Kelso	03/92 - 06/93
Linda Kelso	08/93 - 06/97

* Local Officer Training Session

Mensa College and Mensa University Committee - Chair

Samuel Weissman	08/67 - 09/69
Dr. Robert Fondiller	10/69 - 05/71
Fredric M. Carlin	12/71 - 02/72

The Mensa University Committee and the Mensa College of Maryland became co-equal "SIGs" in March 1972, with Fred Carlin and Win Wenger in charge. There is no further mention of the MUC, but MCM (later MCM, Inc.) continued for another two years, amidst great controversy, until SIG status was removed in January 1974 and MCM ordered to cease using the name Mensa.

Mensa Friends Coordinator

Kenneth Adelberg	10/71 - 04/72
Edith James	05/72 - *1973*

Mensa Friends was a group corresponding with Mensans who were incarcerated. The coordinator briefly had appointed officer status on the AMC.

Officer for Isolated Ms

Harper Fowley	07/79 - 06/83

Provisional Ombudsmen

Richard Magnus	12/88 - 06/90
W. Bradford Anderson	12/88 - 06/90
Eldon Romney	12/88 - 06/90
James E.T. Lange	03/89 - 07/89

Public Relations Committee Chairman (2/68 - 4/72)
Public Relations Officer (5/72 - 11/84)

Alan Wikman, Jr.	02/68 - 04/70
Marvin Grosswirth	05/70 - 06/73
James G. Sprague	07/73 - 06/75
Marvin Grosswirth	07/75 - 06/83
James W. Ryan	07/83 - 06/84
Al Zemsky	08/84 - 11/84

This position was abolished in 11/84 and replaced with the position of Development Officer (q.v.).

Recording Secretary

Cynthia F. Sand	07/65 - 06/66
Irene S. Turchin	08/66 - 06/67
Kathleen "Kay" Shafer	07/67 - 09/67
Irene S. Turchin	10/67
Carol F. Marks	10/67 - 08/69
James G. Sprague	09/69
Susan M. Steger	10/69 - 06/70
Bernard J. Sussman	07/70 - 06/72
Dr. Abbie F. Shapiro (Salny)	07/72 - 06/75
Barbara Novak	07/75
Ravenna L. Oakes	10/75

Resources Coordinator

Richard A. Amyx	07/79 - 06/81

(Special) Services Officer

Kenneth D. Thompson	07/69 - 10/70
Arthur Merrill	12/70 - 06/71
David Remine	07/71 - 06/75
Arthur Pogran	10/75 - 09/78
Raymond F. Martin	07/79 - 07/83

The duties of this position were subsumed by the Membership Officer from August 1983 through June 1989, when the position of **Membership Enhancement Officer** was created: **David K. Kageyama** served in that position from 7/89 until 6/91, when the position was abolished.

Tape Secretary

Virginia Hourigan	11/73 - 06/75
Helen L. Kupper	07/75

Vice-Chairman, Canada

Henry David Yee	07/65 - 06/67

In June 1967, Mensa Canada was formed (504 members), with Yee as its first Chairman. Up to that time, Canada had been part of "North American Mensa."

Young Mensa Coordinator

Robert Menschel	12/70 - 06/74
Kathy Sebesta	03/76 - 11/78
Linda Custer	04/79 - 10/81
Theresa Brunone	11/82 - 06/87

This was an informal position prior to 3/76, involving a Young Mensans' column in the *Mensa Bulletin*. The title was National Young Mensa SIG Coordinator from 3/76 - 11/79, and National Young Mensa Coordinator from 11/79 - 6/87.

nominating committee members

Note: Alternates have not been listed in this compilation.

For the elections of 1967 and 1969, nominations were a function of the Election Committee (q.v.). For the election of 1971, there was a separate group called the "Nominating Section of the Election Committee."

1971: Fredric M. Carlin, chair

George Appleton, Althea Ely, Kathy Hannah, Wayne Hawley, Richard Holmes, Velma Jeremiah, Charles Krausen, Joseph Oliver, David Robbins, Robert Steingart, James Tracton.

1973: Laurel M. Enters, chair

Nancy Berk, Cliveden Chew, Carmen Cobb, Geoffrey Etherington III, William Holden, Joan Kollar, Robert Menschel, John Tumlin, Reed Walter, Susan Wenger.

1975: Nancy Berk, chair

Gordon Andersen, Charles Condon, Ralph Del Aquila, Althea Ely, Robert Enters, Sr., Willard King, Charles Krausen, Helen Kupper, Steven Langer, John Matthews, Perry Oliver.

Note: From 1977 through 1983, each Nominating Committee consisted of a chairperson and two members from each of the nine regions.

1977: Beth Pos, chair

Region 1: Meredy Mullen, Jan Williams
Region 2: John Fuchs, Karl Ross
Region 3: Charles Condon, Terry Kuch
Region 4: Pat Buchignani, S. Gail Skvarenina
Region 5: Polly Dunne, Margie Lawrence
Region 6: Althea Ely, Jim Wantland
Region 7: Perry Oliver, Judy Vasiliauskas
Region 8: Frank Schipper, John Hackenbruck
Region 9: Byron Cole, Henry Miller

1979: S. Gail Skvarenina, chair

Region 1: Lee Werbin, Paul Sullivan
Region 2: Connie Atman, E. Jimmee Stein
Region 3: Jennifer Brown, Pat Smith
Region 4: Ray Martin, Maureen Dyer
Region 5: Margie Lawrence, Steve Morrill
Region 6: Joyce Lundeen, Susan Wantland
Region 7: Charles Gay, Perry Oliver
Region 8: Beth Pos, Bennett Woll
Region 9: Teddy Roth, Clotilde Clark

1981: Jennifer Brown, chair

Region 1: Erwin Cutler, Lee Werbin
Region 2: Helen Mosley, Jerome Salny
Region 3: Rose Lee B. Crutcher, Pat Mager
Region 4: Maureen Dyer, Sandra Murphy
Region 5: Virginia Burmeister, Susanne Wright
Region 6: Beth Byrnes, Hugh White
Region 7: Darlene Criss, S. Gail Skvarenina
Region 8: Meredy Amyx, Rue Mathison
Region 9: Clotilde Clark, Harris Kay

1983: Jerome Salny, chair

Region 1: Bob Hendricks, Arthur Swanson
Region 2: Dimitri Raftopoulos, Dennis Moore
Region 3: Charlotte Jermyn, Sally Morris Reid
Region 4: Dick Adams, Marianne Graci
Region 5: Cynthia deBerry Fisher, David Hamlin
Region 6: Virginia Long, David Rolfe
Region 7: Bob Burgemeister, Linc Beaumont
Region 8: George Stelle, Bob Rosenberg
Region 9: Annie Tuttle, Bob Abrahams

Note: Since 1985, each Nominating Committee has consisted of a chairperson and four members per region: two "national" members and two "regional" members. Usually, one or two alternates have also been named for each region.

1985: Charlotte Jermyn, chair

Region	National	Regional
Region 1	Mary Sullivan	Robert Pintell
	Allen Neuner	John Ceccherelli
Region 2	Richard Adams	Diana Kuch
	Richard Barnhart	Carol Gomez
Region 3	Jerry Breuer	Bill Nichols
	Dave Michel	Harper Fowley
Region 4	Brian Underahl	Jandy Warner
	Russ Washburne	Michael Pixler
Region 5	Margie Holcomb	George Morrison
	Gordon Maddox	Dwight Gill
Region 6	Glen Singleton	Leonard Unruh
	Hugh White	Marcia Davenport
Region 7	Linc Beaumont	Rod Vickers
	Jacqueline Duszynski	Jessie Thompson
Region 8	Gordon Hackbarth	John Hackenbruck
	David Kirby	Beverly Reams
Region 9	Cindy Cielle	Mari Andersson
	John Fisher	Judy Semler

1987: Rod Vickers, chair

Region	National	Regional
Region 1	John Ceccherelli	Marian Carfagno
	Mike Riley	Diane Brown
Region 2	Wanda Wolfe	Rae Neubaum
	Virginia Host	Royall Whitaker
Region 3	Sandra Topping	Walter Gannon
	Dave Michel	Bob Beatty
Region 4	Russ Washburne	Edward Coudal
	Fran Hagan	Susan Kjell
Region 5	Oscar Zeiger	Eileen Steinhice
	Margaret Frazier	Bambi Maxwell
Region 6	Marquis Jones	Leonard Unruh
	Hugh White	Rik Hess
Region 7	Linc Beaumont	Wade Ward
	Judy Vasiliauskas	Judy Pitzer-Birozy
Region 8	Daniel Gilmore	Harley Moe
	Jerry Ghigliotti	Brian Tinker
Region 9	Ted Elzinga	Nancy Alvarado-Stone
	Arthur Kasakove	Michael Steiner

1989: Rod Vickers, chair

Region	National	Regional
Region 1	John Coons	Ellen Shelton
	Edward Gordon	Al Greengold
Region 2	Donna Bonzagni	Nancy Vogel
	Virginia Host	Priscilla Ann Schoonover
Region 3	Verona Bennetto	Melinda Wakefield
	Betsy Hetzler	Dave Michel
Region 4	Hans Frommer	F. Tessa Escamilla
	Debra Meyers	Diana Lynn Kiser
Region 5	Wanda Wolfe	Steve Porter
	Bambi Maxwell	Barbara "Stormy" Taylor
Region 6	Douglas Frazier	Gary Lee
	Dale Parish	Linda Sampley
Region 7	Linc Beaumont	Tony Jackowski
	Nancy Berk	Wayne Spies
Region 8	Daniel Gilmore	Annemarie Barefoot
	Jerry Ghigliotti	George Peabody
Region 9	Ted Elzinga	Arthur Kasakove
	Iris Bernikow	Barry Stone

1991: Virginia Host, chair

Region	National	Regional
Region 1	Donna Sommer	Arlene Ten Eyck
	Simone Van Egeren	Brad Seidel
Region 2	Don Smart	Steve Slepner
	Nancy Lee	Edward Stepp
Region 3	Ben Moskowitz	Verona Bennetto
	Jean Becker	Lynne Kilgore
Region 4	Helen Kupper	Gary Smith
	Fran Hagan	Debra Meyers
Region 5	Barbara "Stormy" Taylor	
		Wilma Tucker
	Margaret Frazier	Mike Monehan
Region 6	Linda Sampley	Bailey Hankins
	Kathy Lai	Ellen Court
Region 7	Wayne Spies	Linc Beaumont
	Fletcher Nelson	Susan Ramsdell
Region 8	David Whitney	Helene Brodrick
	Jo Ann Malina	Patricia Coontz-O'Dell
Region 9	Martha Hitchcock	Ted Elzinga
	Barbara Harvey	Laura Hemming

1993: Donna J. Bonzagni, chair

Region	National	Regional
Region 1	Brad Seidel	Donna Sommer
	Elaine Baskin	Sonia Verrochi
Region 2	Don Smart	William Bundy
	Nancy Vogel	Carol Baldwin
Region 3	Ben Moskowitz	Victor Colthorp
	William Myers	Cher Burnham
Region 4	Lin Rockler	Barbara Ploegstra
	Kimberly Walker-Daniels	
		Janice Pfeil-Doyle
Region 5	Billie McNamara	Pat Mashburn
	Helen Lee Moore	Beverly Moore
Region 6	Linda Sampley	Hugh White
	Patricia Olver	Sherrie Reimers
Region 7	Marie Mayer	Diana Dyer
	Wayne Spies	Dennis Birozy
Region 8	Patricia Coontz-O'Dell	
		Robert Juch
	Helene Brodrick	Carolyn Simon
Region 9	Mark Hutchenreuther	
		Martha Hitchcock
	Geoff Smith	David Mitchell

1995: Helen Lee Moore, chair

Region	National	Regional
Region 1	Art Swanson	Lynn Chambers
	Ellen Kesselman	Donna Sommer
Region 2	Bruce Ellington	Rich Dillard
	Carol Baldwin	Jeannette Blumenthal
Region 3	Joe Barnosky	Cher Burnham
	Friend Kierstead	Rick Magnus
Region 4	Gary Kryvko	Rick Barbrick
	Rocky LeFarth	Leta Burch
Region 5	Anne Bauer	Sharon Leader
	Keith Proud	William Shurtz
Region 6	Dale Parish	Hugh White
	Grace LeMonds	Ann Tornay
Region 7	Diana Rice Dyer	Al Ackerson
	Judy Vasiliauskas	Patricia Mickelson
Region 8	Marge Chenoweth	Gardner Bailey
	John Cunningham	Eldon Romney
Region 9	Barbara Lytle	Laura Hemming Cunningham
	Tom Streeter	Rose Beser

1997: Cher Burnham, chair

Region	National	Regional
Region 1	Brad Seidel	Mary Jo Baker
	Bill Zigo	Donna Sommer
Region 2	Carol Baldwin	Jeannette Blumenthal
	George Cooper	Marvin Pastel
Region 3	Adelaide Jaffe	Edward Becker
	H. Edward Pirtle	Betsy Mark
Region 4	Bob Smith	Alan Baltis
	Lin Rockler	Adren Yates
Region 5	Gilbert Krebs	Karen Felder
	Tim Rooks	Ellen Shipman Paul
Region 6	Mike Craddock	Charles Flesher
	Debbie Kittenbacher	
		Don Hensley
Region 7	Susan Ramsdell	Diana Dyer
	Erin Koffler	Susan Sears
Region 8	Jo Ann Malina	Paula Klieves
	George Peabody	John Cunningham
Region 9	Barbara Lytle	M. Paul Beetham
	Lou Richards	Marji James

election committee members

1965: Dr. Emerson Coyle, chair
Robert Barhite, Patrick Beckham, Norris Johnston, Cynthia Sand, Irving Sibert, Ethel Wollman

1967: Robert Sokol, chair
George T. Appleton, Margaret Bell, Thomas Bond, Byron M. Cole, Margaret Dietrich, Dwight Smith, Robert Smith, Donnell Wallace, Gabriel Werba, David Wilson

1969: Byron M. Cole, chair
George T. Appleton, Willard Hoyt, Holly Jaeger, Nel Lusk, David Robbins, Stan Sage

1971: Frank E.G. Weil, chair (Supervisory Section)
Herman B. Blumenthal, L. Martin Miller, Joseph V. Restivo, Albert Schlessinger

1973: Frank E.G.Weil, chair
Fred C. Davis, Martin Miller, Joseph Restivo, Albert Schlessinger

1975: Sheldon C. Hofferman, chair
- other committee members not known -

1977: Frank E.G. Weil, chair
- other committee members not known -

1979: Frank E.G. Weil, chair
Joseph V. Restivo, William B. Wolf, Jr.

1981: Velma Jeremiah, chair
Gary W. Erickson, Karen Marshall, Theodore Rolle

1983: Velma Jeremiah, chair
Donald M. Lowe, Robert F. Miles

1985: Mary E. Jansing, chair
- other committee members not known -

1987: Judy Rombold Chandler, chair
Phyllis Mechem, Wade B. Ward

1989: Judy Rombold Chandler, chair
Peter Levy, Candace McFadden, Phyllis Mechem, Wade B. Ward

1991: June & Richard Brasgalla, co-chairs
Paul Boylan, Mary C. Breda, Carol Vitale, Alex Williamson

1993: John Pierce, chair
Marty Arnold, John Ona

1995: W. Brewster Gillett, chair
R. Daniel Boone, R. Paul Martin

1997: Mark Levy, chair
Terry Cox, Nancy Heller

American Mensa Regions and RVCs

A Brief History of the Regions of American Mensa

American Mensa's "regions" came into being as a result of the original 1964 Bylaws, which established the positions of Regional Vice-Chairmen, effective July 1, 1965. The intent has always been the regions be bound in such a way as to create areas containing similar (numerically) populations of Mensa members. To this end, slight changes in regional boundaries are frequently made.

While the boundaries of individual regions have changed often and, sometimes, substantially, the present nine-region system has been with us since July 1, 1977. In the listings which follow, these nine regions are listed numerically by their respective "numbers," since their names have changed several times, in most cases.

But, going back to 1965 - At first, there were four regions: Eastern, Western, Central and Canadian. In addition, there was a provision in those early years that any local group having at least 10% of the total membership of American Mensa was entitled to voting representation on the North American Mensa Committee (NAMC) as a distinct "region." This provision was in Amendment #1 to the November 1964 Bylaws. It passed by a vote of 1,765 to 415, concurrently with the passage of the Bylaws themselves. Initially, New York City was the only group to qualify for such representation. In January 1967, Los Angeles Mensa first met the requirement. No other local group ever qualified under this provision, which was repealed in 1973.

The Canadians broke off from North American Mensa on June 25, 1967, to form Mensa Canada. This is the symbolic separation date at the Annual Gathering held in Montreal. The official date of separation was September 25, 1967. 504 members were involved in the transition.

The next changes occurred in 1973, when the membership on the East Coast had become too large to service as a single region. As a result, the 5 regions (Eastern, Western, Central, New York City and Los Angeles) became 6 regions, with the creation of the Southeastern Region. The boundaries of the other regions were also adjusted. At the time, the regions were designated by letter ("A" through "F"), rather than by number.

The greatest change came in July 1977, when the U.S. was divided up into 9 regions. These regions were: Northeastern, Greater New York, Middle Atlantic, Southeastern, North Central, Southwestern, Western, Northwestern and Greater Los Angeles. A motion was passed in December 1977 requiring the regions to be called only by their respective numbers, but this lasted only until the next AMC meeting in March 1978.

Some minor name changes occurred in 1978, followed by more significant changes in 1981. By that time, the regions were called: North East, Metro New York, Middle Atlantic, East Central, South East, South West, Central North West, Western and Southern California.

In 1985, the boundaries were again modified significantly, with some of the regions changing their names accordingly. Region 3 was officially unnamed from 1985 to 1987. The confusing part of the 1985 change to some is the fact that Region 3, which had been the "Middle Atlantic" Region, gave its name to the expanded Region 2 (formerly "Metro New York").

The regions of American Mensa have remained essentially unchanged since 1987. The current names of the regions are shown in the following section listing the Regional Vice-Chairmen.

Region 1

07/65:	**Eastern Region**
07/77:	**Northeastern Region**
03/78:	**North East Region**

William E. Willoughby	07/65 - 03/66
Edrice Reynolds	03/66 - 06/67
Fred Lowenstein	07/67 - 06/69
Terence D.C. Kuch	07/69 - 06/71
Herb Jacobs	07/71 - 05/72
James G. Sprague	07/75 - 06/79
E. Allan Blair	07/79 - 06/81
John D. Coons	07/81 - 06/85
Constance Atman	07/85 - 06/87
Frank S. Millendorf	07/87 - 06/89
Joseph B. Zanca	07/89 - 01/95
Arthur Swanson	03/95 - 06/95
Gerry Riley	07/95 -

Region 2

07/65:	**New York City Representative**
07/73:	**Greater New York Region**
07/81:	**Metro New York Region**
08/85:	**Middle Atlantic Region (aka Mid-Atlantic Region)**

Roy V. Jackson	07/65 - 12/65
Herbert Ahrend	12/65 - 06/67
Saul Sussman	07/67 - 12/67
Irving Weisman	12/67 - 02/68
Ira Soloman	03/68 - 02/69
Marvin Grosswirth	03/69 - 04/70
Lew Shaw	05/70 - 10/70
Herbert Ahrend	10/70 - 12/71
Stan Bercovitch	12/71 - 12/72
Ruth W. Schmitz	12/72 - 02/74
Philip Rosenblatt	03/74 - 04/75
James W. Follansbee	04/75 - 12/75
Leona Weiner (acting)	12/75 - 06/76
Helen Mosley	07/76 - 12/79
Constance Atman	01/80 - 06/85
Dave Remine	07/85 - 06/89
Jean L. Cooper	07/89 - 06/91
Sallie Banko	07/91 - 06/95
Didi Pancake	07/95 - 06/97
Stephen Slepner	07/97 -

Assistant RVC - Region 2

Bruce Ellington	12/95 - 06/97
Steve Yaros	07/97 -

Region 3

07/77:	**Middle Atlantic Region**
03/78:	**Mid-Atlantic Region**
07/85:	**{No Official Name}**
03/87:	**Great Lakes and Ohio Valley Region**

David T. Humes	07/77 - 06/81
Amy E. Shaughnessy	07/81 - 06/83
Rose Lee B. Crutcher	07/83 - 06/87
Jane M. Kwiecinski	07/87 - 06/89
Robert Beatty	07/89 - 06/93
Dr. Jean K. Becker	07/93 - 06/97
Linda Hathaway	07/97 -

Assistant RVC - Region 3

Dr. Jean K. Becker	06/91 - 06/93
Catherine Rock	07/95 - 06/97
Tom Pyter	07/97 -

Region 4

07/77:	**North Central Region**
07/81:	**East Central Region**
08/85:	**North Central Region**

Roy C. Saper	07/77 - 06/79
Jacquelyn E. Gentry	07/79 - 06/81
Helen L. Kupper	07/81 - 06/85
Robert J. Burgermeister	07/85 - 06/89
Eric B. Adams	07/89 - 06/91
J. Russell Washburne	07/91 - 06/95
Barbara K. Ploegstra Hunt	07/95 -

Assistant RVC - Region 4

Barbara K. Ploegstra	03/93 - 06/95
Van Furrh	03/96 - 06/97
Willard Steinke	07/97 -

Region 5

07/73:	**Southeastern Region**
03/78:	**South East Region**

Nathaniel Weyl	07/73 - 06/75
Dr. Joseph J. Cornish III	07/75 - 06/77
Susanne J. Wright	07/77 - 06/79
David F. Mann	07/79 - 06/83
Richard Brasgalla	07/83 - 06/87
David F. Mann	07/87 - 12/89
Oscar Otto Zeiger	12/89 - 06/91
Fred "Bear" Berg	07/91 - 06/93
M. Eileen Steinhice	07/93 - 06/97
Stephen Zink	07/97 -

Assistant RVC - Region 5

Charlotte Jermyn	11/85 - 06/87
Fred "Bear" Berg	03/90 - 06/91

Region 6

07/77:	**Southwestern Region**
03/78:	**South West Region***

* In 11/79, a report was presented to the AMC by Rod Vickers, suggesting that Region 6 be renamed the Great American Sand Pile (GASP). The report was rejected out of hand.

Joan Kollar	07/77 - 07/78
James B. Wantland	08/78 - 06/81
Donald Hawkins	07/81 - 06/85

Virginia R. Long	07/85 - 06/87
Edgar M. Ashworth	07/87 - 06/89
Carol L. Hilson	07/89 - 06/93
Darrell L. Noe	07/93 - 04/97
Richard A. "Rik" Hess	04/97 -

Assistant RVC - Region 6

Jacque Walston	03/87 - 06/88
Vel Turner	09/97 -

Region 7

07/77:	**Northwestern Region**
01/78:	**{No Official Name}***
05/79:	**Central North West Region**
08/85:	**Heartland Region**

* A motion by Rod Vickers on 3/10/79 to name Region 7 "The Great Buffalo Chip Region" failed by one vote.

Rod Vickers	07/77 - 06/79
Judy Vasiliauskas	07/79 - 06/83
Hans G. Frommer	07/83 - 06/85
Darlene J. Criss*	07/85 - 04/88
Susan W. Ramsdell	04/88 - 06/89
Judy I. Dosse	07/89 - 06/91
Anthony E. Jackowski	07/91 - 06/95
Edgar M. Ashworth	07/95 - 06/97
Stephen Burnham	07/97 -

* Acting RVC from 3/88 - 4/88

Assistant RVC - Region 7

Ken Loewen	03/87 - 08/87
Anthony E. Jackowski	08/89 - 06/91
Judy Vasiliauskas	06/90 - 06/91
Marie Mayer	07/93 - 06/95
Anthony E. Jackowski	08/95 - 12/95
Stephen Burnham	03/96 - 06/97
Edgar M. Ashworth	07/97 -
Anthony E. Jackowski	07/97 -

Region 8

07/65:	**Western Region**
11/85:	**Pacific Intermountain Region**

Alan J. Truelove	07/65 - 06/67
Ellison R. Jack	07/67 - 06/69
Henry Miller	07/69 - 05/72
Alva Adams Uhl	05/72 - 06/75
Patti Jacobson	07/75 - 06/77
Leonard L. Rickard	07/77 - 06/83
Rue E. Mathison	07/83 - 06/85
John D. Cumming	07/85 - 06/89
Robert Cox	07/89 - 06/93
Janice Kay Johnson	07/93 - 09/94
John D. Cumming	09/94 - 06/95
Jim Werdell	07/95 -

Region 9

02/67:	**Greater Los Angeles Representative**
07/73:	**Greater Los Angeles Region**
01/80:	**Southern California Region**
08/85:	**Far West Region**

Joan Anne Finan	02/67 - 06/67
Mel Springer	07/67 - 04/68
Mary Jane Watson	05/68 - 03/70
William Beser	04/70 - 04/72
Henry Miller	05/72 - 06/73
Guy K. Haas	07/73 - 04/74
Jay KleinBard	05/74 - 05/76
Paul Victor	06/76 - 12/77
John W. Fisher	01/78 - 05/78
David D. Felt	06/78 - 06/83
Arthur E. Mattson	07/83 - 06/85
Robert A. Tutelman	07/85 - 06/87
Bob Rosenberg	07/87 - 07/88
Jacquelyn E. Gentry	07/88 - 06/89
M. Russell Bakke	07/89 - 06/95
Ted Elzinga	07/95 - 06/97
Mark S. "Hutch" Hutchenreuther	07/97 -

Assistant RVC - Region 9

Patricia Coontz	08/95 - 06/96
Steve Balas	07/96 - 06/97

Mid-Western Vice-Chairman (07/65 - 10/73)
Central Vice-Chairman (11/73 - 06/77)

In 1977, the Central Region was broken up and divided among the new regions (#4, #6, and #7). Region 6 picked up Texas and Oklahoma from the Central Region, plus New Mexico from the Western Region, and Arkansas and Louisiana from the Southeastern Region. The Western Region also lost Wyoming, Colorado and Montana to Region 7. The Southeastern Region lost Virginia and Maryland to Region 3, while the Northeastern Region lost Pennsylvania, Delaware and half of New Jersey to Region 3.

Robert A. Martinson	07/65 - 06/67
Leo McGowan	07/67 - 06/69
Marjorie Kimball McCorquodale	07/69 - 06/71
Harper Fowley	07/71 - 06/73
Ann Patrick Cook	07/73 - 06/77

section 3

awards, publications and local groups



history of american mensa national awards

Note: I am indebted to Gordon K. Andersen for much of the information appearing in this narrative.

On June 3, 1968, a committee was appointed to study an annual "M" award. This was the first reference to awards of any kind in AMC minutes. The August 1968 edition of the *Mensa Bulletin*, in the regular AMC Report column, announced that the Award Committee had decided that giving three major awards was not a good idea, and suggested that many awards be given, or that none be given.

On October 5, 1970, Marvin Grosswirth, chairman of the Public Relations Committee, proposed that a "Mensan of the Year" award be presented annually to the Mensan who had contributed most significantly to the betterment of Mensa - the recipient not to be a member of the AMC, and that no AMC member be on the award committee and that the AMC not be involved in the selection of the award. A $50 cost limit was appended, the motion passed, and Arthur Merrill was appointed as this newly-formed Award Committee's first chairman.

The "Owl Award," originally proposed for "Mensan of the Year," was displayed by Award Committee Chairman Arthur Merrill on November 2, 1970. It was a carved alabaster owl from Cybis Porcelain Studios. Subsequently, "the Owl" became the award presented each year for the best local group newsletter in American Mensa.

In January 1971, a notice in the *Mensa Bulletin* by the Award Committee welcomed suggestions regarding the criteria for an award and qualifications of an award candidate.

On May 3, 1971, a discussion of the "Mensan of the Year" award led to the AMC's determination that "service to the outside world" should be the controlling factor.

At its July 1971 meeting, the AMC voted "Certificates of Appreciation" to Robert Fondiller, the former chairman of the Mensa University Committee, and to Arthur Merrill, the outgoing Services Officer. These were the first formal national awards presented in American Mensa.

The next national Mensa award was made to Lya Korda at the Annual Gathering in June 1972. It was a specially designed charm called an "Award of Appreciation" and was awarded for graphic arts services to American Mensa.

As noted above, Certificates of Appreciation were first made in 1971. These awards have been made in recognition of a "job well done" to benefit American Mensa; often for a specific project or accomplishment.

Life Membership Awards have been given since 1975. The award consists of a paid-up life membership in Mensa and has often been given in connection with another award, usually the Distinguished Service Award. On October 4, 1975, Karl F. Ross received the first Life Membership Award for his services as editor of the *Mensa Bulletin*.

Local Secretaries Awards began in 1976, originally for "outstanding long and faithful service to the Local Group." Nine local secretaries (LocSecs) were nominated for the first award; when problems arose concerning the criteria for the award, all nine nominees were presented with the award at the 1976 Annual Gathering. These awards were confusingly termed "Distinguished Service Awards" at one point, in conflict with the "Distinguished Service Award" given for service to national (not local) Mensa.

December 4, 1976 - A subcommittee on Local Secretaries' awards, chaired by Western RVC Patti Jacobson, proposed that the awards be renamed "Local Group Leadership Awards" and that a point system based on local group activity be used.

March 19, 1977 - After passing a motion to table further discussion on what were again called Local Secretaries' Awards, the AMC passed Jacobson's motion to confer Distinguished Service Awards to two LocSecs in her region: John Hackenbruck of Oregon Mensa and Frank Schipper of Channel Islands Mensa. Chairman Charles Fallon's motion to make the same award to former Minnesota LocSec Clyde Austin was also passed. The AMC voted its thanks to RVC Jacobson for her work on the proposal, and appointed Marvin Grosswirth chairman of a new subcommittee to study criteria for awards.

May 21, 1977 - A new procedure provided for the appointment of a screening committee of three anonymous members, augmented by the Chairman and Executive Director, which would make recommendations to the AMC for the awarding of Certificates of Appreciation and Distinguished Service Awards. Subsequently, the criteria for the latter award was extended to include service to the AMC.

November 17, 1979 - The anonymous committee adopted a new point system for determining eligibility for awards, and further decided that any awards were to be made only for "service to American Mensa," rather than for service to local groups or to the AMC.

June 28, 1980 - Margot Seitelman was the first recipient of the award named for her (the "Margot Award"), which she received at the San Francisco Annual Gathering "for nineteen years of outstanding service." The award has been bestowed periodically since that time "only when the occasion arises" in recognition of "outstanding service to Mensa." The AMC ratified creation of the Margot Award on November 29, 1980.

July 1985 - Chairman Amy Shaughnessy named Past Chairman Gabriel Werba to head a task force to study new ideas in award procedures. He formed an AML Awards Review Committee, which eventually recommended that an independent Awards Committee be established.

December 1985 - The American Mensa Awards Committee became official and began its operations. Members were: Gordon K. Andersen (chair), Meredy Amyx, Charles M. Fallon, Harper Fowley and Stuart W. Friedman.

March 1986 - National Service Awards were first given in recognition of "faithful service to American Mensa." These awards have sometimes been called National Achievement Awards, but the criteria is the same for both.

March 1988 - The criteria for the Margot Award was changed to: "For the rendering of exceptional service to Mensa for a number of years." The award was specifically given to the AMC to award. The criteria for Distinguished Service Award became "For outstanding service to American Mensa." A Life Achievement Award was created for "good and valuable service to Mensa over a number of years." The Awards Committee was to give this award.

Local Group Newsletter Awards have always been awarded independently of the above-mentioned "national" awards. A committee is chosen each year to evaluate local group newsletters and award the newsletter awards at the Annual Gathering.

In addition, there are now three categories of awards available outside the formal Awards Committee structure: the National Chairman's Service Award, regional Silver Service Award, and a local Silver Service Award.

Following is a list of all national award winners (by award category), as well as a year-by-year summary of the Local Group Newsletter Awards.

national mensa award recipients



Margot Awards

Margot Seitelman	06/28/80
Marvin Grosswirth	11/12/83
Abbie F. Salny	06/23/85
Charles M. Fallon	07/02/88
Harper Fowley	07/01/89
Gabriel Werba	07/01/89
Hans G. Frommer	07/04/93
Helen L. Kupper	07/09/95

Distinguished Service Awards (Local Secretaries' Awards - 1976)

E. Allan Blair	06/27/76
John Marshall Henry	06/27/76
David T. Humes	06/27/76
James Klein	06/27/76
Jay KleinBard	06/27/76
Helen L. Kupper	06/27/76
Sandy Liss	06/27/76
Joyce Lundeen	06/27/76
Frank Schipper	06/27/76

Clyde Austin	03/19/77
John Hackenbruck	03/19/77
Frank Schipper	03/19/77
Dr. James M. Sacks	09/17/77
Carolyn Mellor	11/17/79
Meredy Mullen Amyx	01/19/80
Harper Fowley	11/29/80
Peter A. Sturgeon	11/29/80
Frank E.G. Weil	11/29/80
Susan L. Wantland	08/29/81
Gordon K. Andersen	11/13/82
Kay Grant	03/26/83
Lya Korda	11/12/83
Darlene J. Criss	03/31/84
Stuart W. Friedman	08/04/84
Roxanne H. Cramer	11/10/84
Charles M. Fallon	03/30/85
Hans G. Frommer	03/14/86
Roy C. Saper	03/14/86

John J. Codella	06/30/90
Abbie F. Salny	06/30/90
Henry Schofield Noble	03/28/92
Rose Lee B. Crutcher	03/28/92
John R. Snow, Jr.	03/28/92
Arthur E. Mattson	03/27/93
Kent B. Van Cleave	03/27/93
Helen L. Kupper	07/09/95
Gabriel Werba	07/09/95
David Felt	1996
William Lumsden	1996

Life Membership Awards

Karl F. Ross	10/04/75
Gordon K. Andersen	05/21/77
Dr. James M. Sacks	09/17/77
Arthur Pogran	11/04/78
Meredy Mullen Amyx	01/19/80
Harper Fowley	11/29/80
Peter A. Sturgeon	11/29/80
Susan L. Wantland	08/29/81
Gordon K. Andersen	11/13/82
Lya Korda	11/12/83
Darlene J. Criss	03/31/84
Katherine DeWitt, Jr.	04/15/86
John J. Codella	06/30/90
Rose Lee B. Crutcher	03/28/92
Henry Schofield Noble	03/28/92
Kent B. Van Cleave	07/04/97

National Service Awards

Katherine DeWitt, Jr.	03/14/86
Helen L. Kupper	03/14/86
Nancy Alvarado-Stone	11/05/86
David F. Mann	11/05/86
Rue E. Mathison	11/05/86
Richard A. Amyx	05/15/88
Ravenna L. Oakes	05/15/88
John Ceccherelli	06/30/90
William Lumsden	06/30/90
Velma Jeremiah	03/27/93
Richard Brasgalla	03/27/93
Jay Smith	03/27/93
Gini Fracchia-Hartman	03/27/93
Vincent F. Bonzagni	07/09/95
Margot Miller Wood	07/09/95
Joan Kollar Currington	07/04/97

Certificates of Appreciation

Robert Fondiller	07/15/71
Arthur Merrill	07/15/71
Lawrence G. Marshall	01/07/74
Norman Pos	03/04/74
Kenneth Thompson	04/01/74
S. Gail Skvarenina	04/01/74
Alice Kasman (Fixx)	09/30/74
Paul Hagerman	02/03/75
Terence D.C. Kuch	06/02/75
Nancy Berk	09/18/76
Harper Fowley	09/18/76
S. Gail Skvarenina	09/18/76
William Holden	12/04/76
Bill Carpenter	03/19/77
Harry Lewis	03/19/77
Jewell Schnaidt	03/19/77
Genevieve Jones	09/17/77
Jill Kerekes	12/03/77
Arthur Pogran	11/04/78
James B. Wantland	03/10/79
Dr. Max L. Fogel	05/26/79
Arthur Gardner	07/21/79
Al Potter	05/03/80
Kevin Chestnut	08/29/81
Helen Faye Smylie	08/29/81
Robin Cohen (employee)	08/04/84
Mildred Lieberman (employee)	08/24/85
Cynthia deBerry Fisher	03/14/86
Dale Hogan	03/14/86
Edwin K. Sperling	03/28/87
Raymond B. Cattell (plaque)	03/28/87
Alice Fixx	09/12/87
Jim Gallagher	03/07/88
Bob Forest	03/07/88

"Culture Quest" Winners

Culture Quest is an annual competition to raise money for local group scholarships. The brainchild of Joyce Lundeen and Carol Hilson, it was inaugurated in 1990 in Region 6. The 1990 competition was won by Hugh G. White, competing as a one-person team representing Isolated-M. In 1991, the competition was expanded to include two teams of AMC members, and the competition was coordinated by Ginny Leininger. The winning team was one of the AMC teams: Joseph B. Zanca (captain), Robert Beatty, Vincent F. Bonzagni, Allen G. Neuner and Ralph G. Rudolph. In 1992, the competition went "national" and has remained so. A different individual or "team" creates and runs each competition, with the Membership Officer acting as the AMC liaison. Teams are allowed to have up to five members, all of whom must be members in good standing of Mensa. The 1997 competition saw the expansion to groups from Mensa Canada. Coordinators and winners of each competition have been:

1992:
Coordinator - Darrell Noe
Winner: ***Cruisin'*** **-**
Thomas Jefferson Mensa
Vincent F. Bonzagni (captain), Donna J. Bonzagni, Connie Kelly, Didi Pancake and Gregg Wiggins.

1993:
Coordinator - Warren Walker
Winner: ***Cruisin' '93*** **-**
Thomas Jefferson Mensa
Vincent F. Bonzagni (captain), Jean L. Cooper, Connie Kelly, Didi Pancake and Gregg Wiggins.

1994:
Coordinator -
Penelope (Penny) Smith
Winner: ***Cruisin' '94*** **-**
Thomas Jefferson Mensa
Vincent F. Bonzagni (captain), Donna J. Bonzagni, Jean L. Cooper, Didi Pancake and Gregg Wiggins.

1995:
Coordinator - Didi Pancake (and the Cruisin' team)
Winner: *Central Florida Magic* Central Florida Mensa
Holly Horton (captain), Paul L. Enchelmayer, McCoy Hill, Michelle Mingoia and Glendon Pink.

1996:
Coordinator - Marc Lederman
Winner: *Cruisin' '96* - Thomas Jefferson Mensa
Vincent F. Bonzagni (captain), Jean L. Cooper, Connie Kelly, Didi Pancake and Gregg Wiggins.

1997:
Coordinator - Al Gregory
Winner: *Cruisin' '97* - Isolated M (Harper Fowley Memorial Scholarship Fund)
Vincent F. Bonzagni (captain), Donna J. Bonzagni, Jean L. Cooper, Didi Pancake and Gregg Wiggins.

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local group newsletter awards

The structure of the Newsletter Awards of the Publication Recognition Program (1997 title), formerly the Local Group Newsletter Award program, and, even earlier, the Editors' Awards, has changed significantly over the years. Indeed, it tends to vary even from year to year, as each committee chair modifies the rules and/or criteria. This has led to some inconsistencies when attempting to compare awards from one year to those of another. This listing, then, is presented in the spirit of considering each year's awards separately, on their own merit.

Prior to 1983, the awards were generally coordinated by the AMC Publications Officer, sometimes overseeing a panel of judges, but usually involving balloting by the local group newsletter editors. A panel system was used for the awards from 1971 to 1973; balloting was used from 1974 through 1979; and a panel system was reinstituted in 1980. The current panel system, with a non-AMC committee chair, began in 1983. For each year listed below after 1973, I have indicated the Publications Officer or Committee Chair, as appropriate.

1971: The first award relating to local group newsletters was made in 1971. The award was for "Editor of the Year" and was presented to **Wayne Hawley**, editor of *Graffiti*, the newsletter of Cleveland Mensa.

1972: In 1972, six awards were made relating to local group newsletters:

Award Category	Newsletter	Local Group	Recipient
Best Publication	*Matrix*	Denver Mensa	Jean Esteve
Best Small Group Publication	*Ganglion*	Southern Colorado Mensa	Nancy Berk
Best Artwork	*LAMENT*	Greater L.A. Mensa (GLAAM)	Gary Taylor
Best Layout	*Proteus*	Delaware Valley Mensa	Laurel Enters
Best Literary Style	*Wiscom*	Wisconsin Mensa	Hans Frommer
Best Logo	*Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Joyce Pool

1973: In 1973, only three awards were made: San Francisco Area Mensa's *Intelligencer* was the best large group newsletter; Santa Barbara Mensa's *Channel-M* was the best small group newsletter; and San Diego Mensa's *Mensan* was the best newsletter "overall."

1974: Mary Jane Watson, Publications Officer.
In 1974, there were (again) only three awards made: for small (<100 members), medium (100-300), and large (300+) local groups. Runners up in each category are listed after the winner.

Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)
Small Groups		
Kyosk	Kentuckiana Mensa	Harper Fowley & Sharon Westerman
Mantel	San Antonio Mensa	Althea Ely
Tribal Table	Tulsa Mensa	Jill Kerekes
Medium Groups		
Wiscom	Wisconsin Mensa	Hans Frommer
Graffiti	Greater Cleveland Mensa	Vic Albanese
Mensagenda	Minneapolis-St. Paul Mensa	Gordon Andersen
Large Groups		
LAMENT	GLAAM	Mary Jane Watson
Proteus	Delaware Valley Mensa	Lucy-Jo Stephano
M-Aura	Dallas Mensa	Linda Bell

1975: Richard Amyx, Publications Officer.
1975 was the first year that the "Owl" award was given for the best overall local group newsletter in American Mensa. The Owl was awarded to **Beth Pos, editor of San Diego Mensa's *Mensan***. Other awards were as follows, with runners up listed after the winners (group sizes were the same as in 1974):

Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)
Small Groups		
Tribal Table	Tulsa Mensa	Jill Kerekes
The Constellation	Rochester Mensa	Sandy Liss
Ganglion	So. Colorado Mensa	Nancy Berk
Mensokie	Central Oklahoma Mensa	Nathan Walpow
Mid-Michigan	Greater Lansing Mensa	Roy Saper
Medium Groups		
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	Beth Pos
Kyosk	Kentuckiana Mensa	Kentuckiana Publications SIG
Channel-M	Santa Barbara Mensa	Patti Jacobson
Large Groups		
Intelligencer	San Francisco Area Mensa	Richard Amyx
Lament	GLAAM	Mary Jane Stevens
B.O.M.B.	Boston & Outskirts Mensa	Meredy Mullen

1976: Richard Amyx, Publications Officer.
Same general format as in 1975. The Owl Award was won by **Meredy Mullen, editor of Boston Mensa's *Beacon*** (formerly entitled *B.O.M.B.*). Special Mentions were awarded to the *Arkansas Newsletter* (Most Improved), *La Plume du Nom* (Editorial Excellence), *Tampa Bay Sounding* (Best New Newsletter) and *Isolated-M* (Outstanding Service & Quality). Other awards were:

Small Groups	
1st Place: *La Plume du NOM*;	2nd place: *Ganglion*
Medium Groups	
1st Place: *Kyosk*;	2nd place: *The Constellation*
Large Groups	
1st Place (tie): *Mensan* and *Beacon*;	2nd place: *Forvm*

1977: Richard Amyx, Publications Officer.
No Owl Award was given in 1977, inasmuch as there was no clear winner. Awards were made to:

Small Groups
1st Place: *Lexicom*; 2nd place: *Mains'l;* 3rd place: *Michigan*
Medium Groups
1st Place: *La Plume du NOM;* 2nd place: *Kyosk;*
3rd place (tie): *The Constellation*, *The Flame* and *Penn Central*
Large Groups
1st Place (tie): *Beacon*, *Mensan* and *MPHASIS;* 2nd place: *Forvm;* 3rd place: *LAMENT*

1978: Richard Amyx, Publications Officer.
In 1978, the Owl Award was won by **Linda Ann Loschiavo, editor of Greater New York Mensa's *M-Phasis***. A Special Mention award went to **Kris Kurian**, editor of Greater Cleveland Mensa's *Graffiti*, for "Most Improved." Other awards were as follows, with 2nd and 3rd places listed under the winners:

Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)
Small Groups		
Lexicom	Blue Grass Mensa	Jackson Lackey & Pat Buchignani
Pensar	Paso del Norte	Lorraine Ritscher
DelaMensa	Delaware Mensa	Dee Teitsworth
Medium Groups		
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Steve Morrill
Sunflower Seeds	Arkansas Valley Mensa	Darlene Criss
Tribal Table	Tulsa Mensa	Stan Dennis
Large Groups		
MPHASIS	Greater New York Mensa	Linda Ann Loschiavo
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	Norm Pos
Forvm	North Central N.J. Mensa	Jan Williams

1979: Richard Amyx, Publications Officer.
In 1979, the Owl Award was won by **William Fusselman, editor of San Diego Mensa's *Mensan***. A Special Mention was awarded for "Best New Newsletter" to *M-Compass* of Southwest by South (FL) Mensa, **Jenny Brown**, editor. Other awards were:

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Best Cover			
Beacon	Boston Mensa	Gene McMahon	Paul Sullivan
Best Artwork			
Sunflower Seeds	Sunflower Mensa	Darlene Criss	LaVena Kay Kidd & Dale Floyd
Best Articles/Essays			
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	William Fusselman	
Best Graphics			
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	William Fusselman	
Best Continuing Column			
Forvm	North Central N.J. Mensa	Jan Williams	Lee Werbin

Best Creative Writing		
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	William Fusselman
Best Service to Members		
LAMENT	GLAAM	Clotilde Clark
Best Editorial Style		
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	William Fusselman
Best Atmosphere/Personality		
Tribal Table	Tulsa Mensa	Stan Dennis

1980: Beth Sample, Publications Officer.
In 1980, **no Owl Award was presented** (no clear winner).

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
Overall - Large Group			
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	William Fusselman/Richard Harrison	
Overall - Medium Group (3-way tie)			
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Cynthia Fisher/Steve Morrill	
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Rue Mathison	
MensAloha	Hawaii Mensa	William Wilday/James Ryan	
Overall - Small Group (tie)			
Lexicom	Blue Grass Mensa	Pat Buchignani & Jackson Lackey	
M-Compass	Southwest by South (FL) Mensa	Jenny Brown	
Cover Artwork			
Beacon	Boston Mensa	Gene McMahon	Paul Sullivan
Best Art (Generally)			
Sunflower Seeds	Sunflower Mensa	Darlene Criss	LaVena Kay Kidd
Graphics & Layout			
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	William Fusselman	Diane Fournier
Continuing Column			
Lexicom	Blue Grass Mensa	Pat Buchignani	Pat Buchignani
Creative Writing			
Beacon	Boston Mensa	Gene McMahon	
Personality/Congeniality			
Mensokie	Central Oklahoma Mensa	Joyce Lundeen	
Service to Mensa			
LAMENT	GLAAM	Andrea DeLoffre	

1981: Virginia Long, Publications Officer.
Again in 1981, there was no clear winner, so **no Owl Award was presented**. A Special Mention for the "Best New Newsletter" went to *Freed-M*, **Carl Napoli**, editor.

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
Best Large Group Newsletter			
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	Richard Harrison & Pat Faller	
Best Medium Group Newsletter			
MensAloha	Hawaii Mensa	James Ryan	
Best Small Group Newsletter			
M-Compass	Southwest by South (FL) Mensa	Jenny Brown	

Best Small Group Newsletter			
M-Compass	Southwest by South (FL) Mensa	Jenny Brown	
Cover Art			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Rue Mathison	Dale Floyd
Artwork			
Sunflower Seeds	Sunflower Mensa	Darlene Criss	LaVena Kay Kidd
Graphics & Layout			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Rue Mathison	
Best Continuing Column			
Delamensa	Delaware Mensa	Dee Teitsworth	Lloyd Teitsworth
Creative Writing			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Rue Mathison	
Personality/Congeniality			
MensAloha	Hawaii Mensa	James Ryan	
Service to Mensa			
LAMENT	GLAAM	Mary Jane Stevens	

1982: Susan Wantland, Publications Officer.
The Owl Award was won in 1982 by **Nancy Phelps, editor of Greater Phoenix Mensa's *Much Ado About Mensa***. A Special Mention award for the "Best New Newsletter" went to Puerto Rico Mensa's *Coqui*, **Marie Delgado Polanco**, editor.

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
Artwork			
Sunflower Seeds	Sunflower Mensa	Wade Ward	LaVena Kay Kidd
Articles & Essays			
Graffiti	Cleveland Mensa	Nancy Reller	
Personality/Atmosphere			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Nancy Phelps	
Service to Local Group			
LAMENT	GLAAM	Bob Abrahams	
Editorial Style			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Nancy Reller	

1983: Bob Abrahams, Chair.
The Owl Award was won in 1983 by **Mari Andersson, editor of San Diego Mensa's *Mensan***. Three Special Mention awards were made: "Most Improved" went to East Central Ohio Mensa's *Eco-M Braegen*, **Christin Keck**, editor. "Best Effort by Small Group" went to Puerto Rico Mensa's *Coqui*, **Jay Goldberg**, editor. Finally, "Best Special Issue" went to New Orleans Mensa's *La Plume du NOM*, **Bill Harrison**, editor, for an issue honoring Orville Brandes.

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
Artwork			
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	Mari Andersson	
Visual Presentation			
Pamphlet	Piedmont Area Mensa	Sheri Taylor	
Regular Contribution			
Forvm	North Central N.J. Mensa	Bob Hendricks	Allan Marain

Creative Writing		
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Cynthia Fisher
Style		
Graffiti	Cleveland Area Mensa	Nancy Reller
Service		
Intelligencer	San Francisco Regional Mensa	Editorial Board

1984: Gene McMahon, Chair.
The 1984 Owl Award was won by **Richard Jones, editor of Gulf Coast Mensa's *Informensa***. A Special Mention was awarded for "Professionalism & Topical Issues" also to *Informensa.*

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Visual Presentation			
Palm-Mensa	Palm Beach Co. Mensa	Jack Ronin	
Artwork			
Palm-Mensa	Palm Beach Co. Mensa	Jack Ronin	
Regular Contributor			
MIND	Indianapolis Mensa	Dean Eveland	Teresa Marquand
Creative Writing			
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Evelyn Hallowell	
Style			
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Evelyn Hallowell	
Participation			
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Evelyn Hallowell	
Service			
Wiscom	Milwaukee Mensa	Maddie Rademan	

1985: Wanda Jacobs, Chair.
The 1985 Owl Award was again won by **Richard Jones, editor of Gulf Coast Mensa's *Informensa***. This was the first (and only, so far) time that the Owl was awarded to the same newsletter in two consecutive years. In this year, the definitions of group sizes were revised. Small groups (designated "S") were those with up to 200 members; medium groups ("M") had 201-900 members; and large groups ("L") were those with more than 900 members. Also, special posthumous awards were made to **Don Armstrong**, for his artwork in Western PA Mensa's *Phoenix*; and to **Marie Halbert**, for her cooking column in *Tampa Bay Sounding.*

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Presentation & Style			
L (tie): *M-Pathy*	Southeast Michigan Mensa	Brenda Lewis	
Mensan	San Diego Mensa	Maggie Sinram	
M *ECO-M Braegen*	East Central Ohio Mensa	Christin Keck	
S (tie): *Beam*	Binghampton/Endicott Mensa	Barbara Merry	
Nexus	Upper East Tenn. Mensa	Diane Doss	
Regular Contributors			
L (4): *Forvm*	Central N.J. Mensa	Judi Higgins	Allan Marain
Media	Ct. & W. Mass. Mensa	Mary Sullivan	Frank Smith
Beacon	Boston Mensa	Anne Haskins Lambert	G. Andrew Maness
LAMENT	GLAAM	Carolyn Simon	Ruth Small
M (2): *MIND*	Indianapolis Mensa	Karen Bauernschmidt	Grace Falvey

	ECO-M Braegen	East Central Ohio Mensa	Christin Keck	Christin Keck
S (4):	*Nexus*	Upper East Tenn. Mensa	Diane Doss	Naamen Brown
	Bob	Maumee Valley Mensa	Thom & Kayte Frushour	Frog
	Simensays	Southwest Idaho Mensa	Sandy Ogle	I.J. Longeteig
	Smokies Signal	Smoky Mountain Mensa	Micky Blakley	Doug Myers
Artwork				
L:	*Forvm*	Central N.J. Mensa	Judi Higgins	Bernice Richmond
M:	*Browbeat*	Broward Co. Mensa	Dan Rhea	Lya Korda
S:	(none)			
Creative Writing				
L:	*The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Teri Lacher	Bill Harvey
M (tie):	*Browbeat*	Broward Co. Mensa	Dan Rhea	Mike Carey
	MIND	Indianapolis Mensa	Karen Bauernschmidt	Roy Olsen
S:	*M-Arillo*	Amarillo Mensa	Jesse Shuffield & Stuart	Stoffle
				Don Henderson
Service to Mensa				
Wiscom		Milwaukee Mensa	F. Tessa Escamilla	
Service to Gifted Children				
Momentum		New Hampshire Mensa	Treelady	
Service to Their RG Participants				
Nexus/Smokies Signal		Upper East Tenn. Mensa	Diane Doss	
Outstanding Achievement				
L:	*Much Ado About Mensa*	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Kent Van Cleave	
M:	*Tampa Bay Sounding*	Tampa Bay Mensa	Evelyn Hallowell	
S:	*Sunflower Seeds*	Sunflower Mensa	Judy Chandler	

1986: Joyce Lundeen, Chair.
No Owl Award was presented in 1986 (no clear winner).

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
Original Artwork			
Browbeat	Broward Co. Mensa	Dan Rhea	Lya Korda
Graphics			
Mains'l	Maine Mensa	Dale Doughty	
Service			
The Oracle	Orange County Mensa	Brenda ReVelle	
Symmetry			
Capital-M	Metro Washington Mensa	Mary Matthews	
Creative Writing			
The Oracle	Orange County Mensa	Brenda ReVelle	Will Williamson
Humor			
The Flame	Central Florida Mensa	Fred Berg	Men of Mensa Issue
Continuing Column			
M-Aura	North Texas Mensa	Sandra Blaydes	Pat Voelker
Calendar			
Informensa	Gulf Coast Mensa	John Brisbin	John Adams
Gifted Children			
Beacon	Boston Mensa	Anne Lambert	Paul Cook
Love of Language			
IMPRINT	Northern N.J. Mensa	Bill Fleet	

General Entertainment		
Nexus	Upper East Tenn. Mensa	Diane Doss
Most Improved		
Mains'l	Maine Mensa	Dale Doughty

1987: Carolyn Simon, Chair.
The 1987 Owl Award was won by **Tyger Gilbert, editor of Greater Phoenix Mensa's *Much Ado About Mensa*.**

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Service			
Forvm	Central N.J. Mensa	Judy Higgins	
Editorial Achievement			
Momentum	New Hampshire Mensa	Treelady	
Visual Presentation			
Mains'l	Maine Mensa	Dale Doughty	
Calendar			
MOTS	Atlanta Mensa	Richard Scholes	
Entertainment			
The Oracle	Orange County Mensa	Bill Harvey	
Best Basics			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Tyger Gilbert	
Original Art			
Momentum	New Hampshire Mensa	Treelady	
Essay - General			
Momentum	New Hampshire Mensa	Treelady	Treelady
Essay - Mensa			
OMEN	Oregon Mensa	William Carpenter	May Minton
Humor			
Phoenix	Western PA Mensa	Linda Valentine	Carole Treasure
Continuing Column			
Braegen	East Central Ohio Mensa	Friend Kierstead	Elizabeth Bendall
Best Small Group Newsletter			
Coqui	Puerto Rico Mensa	David Saxon	

1988: Bill Fleet, Chair.
The 1988 Owl Award was won by **Cookie Bakke, editor of Orange County Mensa's *The Oracle*.** The categories this year were broken down into the broad categories of Service, Editorial, Entertainment and Presentation. There were specific awards within each category and an overall category winner. A Special Mention went to *Browbeat* (Pat Mashburn, ed.) "For its cover alone." Another Special Mention went to *Motley Mutterings* as the "Briefest Newsletter."

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Service			
Calendar: *The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Cookie Bakke	
Forum: *Wiscom*	Mensa of Wisconsin	F. Tessa Escamilla	
Reporting: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Dave Van Geest	
Overall: *Wiscom*	Mensa of Wisconsin	F. Tessa Escamilla	

Editorial

Continuing Column			
Mensagenda	Minnesota Mensa	Dave Van Geest	Tim Goetsch
Essay: *Mensana*	Western N.Y. Mensa	Teri Prentiss	Clara Widner
Theme Issue: *OMEN*	Oregon Mensa	Wiiliam Carpenter	"Gifted Children"
Overall: *Beacon*	Boston Mensa	Ed Gordon	

Entertainment

Puzzles & Games			
Browbeat	Broward Co. Mensa	Pat Mashburn	
Humor			
Golden Triangle Tabloid	Sabine-Neches Mensa	Bruce Held	
Fiction: *The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Cookie Bakke	Will Williamson
Overall: *The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Cookie Bakke	

Presentation

Artwork: *Wyomensa*	Wyoming Mensa	Kevin Kauffman	
Cleanliness: *The Firebird*	Southern Conn. Mensa	Joseph Lynders	
Layout: *The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Cookie Bakke	
Overall: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Bess Herzog	

1989: Bill Fleet, Chair.
The 1989 Owl Award was won by **David Van Geest, editor of Minnesota Mensa's *Mensagenda***. The same format for awards was used as in 1988. A Special Mention also went to *Mensagenda* for their February 1989 Membership Directory issue. Another Special Mention was awarded to **Bailey Hankins**, "for transcending the limits of these awards."

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
Service			
Calendar: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Bess Herzog	Kathleen West
Forum: *Nexus*	Upper East Tenn. Mensa	Diane Doss	
Reporting: *ChiMe*	Mensa of Illinois	Stacey Kirsch	Gwen Godfrey
Overall: *NOVA*	W. Michigan Mensa	Sally Munk	
Editorial			
Continuing Column			
M.EN.SA	San Antonio Mensa	Mary Prior	Sue Eastwood
Essay: *Wyomensa*	Wyoming Mensa	Samantha Zowada	Ruth Delf
Theme Issue			
Golden Triangle Tabloid	Sabine-Neches Mensa	Bruce Held	
Overall: *Nexus*	Upper East Tenn. Mensa	Diane Doss	
Entertainment			
Puzzles & Games: *Col-M*	Columbus Area Mensa	John Bittel	Juan Nieto
Humorous Article			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Jim Morgan	Henry Sembach
Entertainment Value: *Nexus*	Upper East Tenn. Mensa	Diane Doss	
Presentation			
Cleanliness: *Totems*	Mensa of Western Washington	Glen Owen	

Artwork: *Sunflower Seeds*	Sunflower Mensa	Judy Chandler	LaVena Kay Kidd
Layout: *Totems*	Mensa of Western Washington	Glen Owen	
Overall: *The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Cookie Bakke	

1990: Marie Mayer, Chair.
The 1990 Owl Award was won by **Happy Aziz, editor of Central Florida Mensa's *Flame***. The same format was used as in the previous two years. A Special Mention award went to *ChiMe* for its Gifted Children's Handbook.

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Service			
Calendar: *Mension*	Mid America Mensa	Joanne Christensen	Cleve Garvin
Forum: *LAMENT*	GLAAM	Christopher Nyerges	
Reporting: *Mensan*	San Diego Mensa	Vickie Kellogg	
Overall: *ChiMe*	Mensa of Illinois	Stacey Kirsch	
Editorial			
Continuing Column			
M-Aura	North Texas Mensa	Bernard Mayoff	Ray Mungiu
Essay: *IMPRINT*	Northern N.J. Mensa	Karl Zero	Stu Lucas
Theme Issue: *MIND*	Indianapolis Mensa	Bibi Sandstrom	"Colors"
Overall Achievement: *MIND*	Indianapolis Mensa	Bibi Sandstrom	
Entertainment			
Puzzles & Games: *Forvm*	Central N.J. Mensa	Margaret Scherbina	Pete Boton & Susie Johnson
Humor: *NorbaMensa*	Northern Alabama Mensa	Alfred Matthews	Ronald Higgins
Fiction: *Simensays*	Southwest Idaho Mensa	Robert Juch	Chris Malloy
Overall: *MIND*	Indianapolis Mensa	Bibi Sandstrom	
Presentation			
Cleanliness: *ChiMe*	Mensa of Illinois	Stacey Kirsch	
Layout: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Happy Aziz	
Artwork: *The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Karen Mueller	Will Williamson
Overall: *Capital-M*	Metro Washington Mensa	Mary Matthews	

1991: Karen Koelzer, Chair.
The 1991 Owl Award was presented to **Rosemary Marx, editor of Minnesota Mensa's *Mensagenda***. Again, the same format was used. Special Mentions went to **Alan Schwartz** for his writings in *Braegen* and *The Oracle*, to **Carol Ann Sasso** for "Gifted Children" in *M-Press*, and to **Julie Risdon** for "Ramblings" in *Of Mice and Mensa*.

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Service			
Calendar: *The 4M*	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill	
Forum: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Bill & Holly Horton	
Reporting: *Spirit of 76*	Mensa 76	Kay Watkins	
Overall: *Spirit of 76*	Mensa 76	Kay Watkins	

Editorial

Continuing Column			
M-Pressions	Central Iowa Mensa	Mary Donahue	Ken Huehn
Essay: *Of Mice and Mensa*	Monterey Mensa	Betty Curry	B. George Ricci
Theme Issue: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Bill & Holly Horton	"Censorship"
Overall Achievement			
Mensagenda	Minnesota Mensa	Rosemary Marx	

Entertainment

Puzzles & Games: *The 4M*	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill	Joe Venuti
Humor: *Col-M*	Columbus Mensa	Dick Nuenke	Nuenke/Darnell
Fiction: *Neva-Mind*	Northern Nevada Mensa	Brian Underahl	Ed Hanley
Overall: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Bill & Holly Horton	

Presentation

Cleanliness: *Sunflower Seeds*	Sunflower Mensa	Pete Levy	
Layout: *Sunflower Seeds*	Sunflower Mensa	Pete Levy	
Artwork: *Graffiti*	Cleveland Area Mensa	Thomas Harmon	Bill Turner
Overall: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Rosemary Marx	

1992: Wilma Tucker, Chair.
The 1992 Owl Award was won by **David Mitchell, editor of Orange County Mensa's *The Oracle***. Special Mentions were awarded to *LAMENT*, **Nikki Frey**, editor, for "cover photos and other photos;" to *La Plume de NOM*, **Michael P. Cahill**, editor, for "research essayist;" and to *Tampa Bay Sounding*, **Jack Row**, editor, for "Omnium Gatherum."

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
Service			
Calendar: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Bill & Holly Horton	
Forum: *LAMENT*	GLAAM	Rich Kapnick	
Reporting: *LAMENT*	GLAAM	Rich Kapnick	
Overall: *LAMENT*	GLAAM	Rich Kapnick	
Editorial			
Continuing Column			
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Kent Akselsen	Nikki Riggsbee
Essay: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	Marge O'Connor
Theme Issue: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	"Self-Defense"
Overall Editorial Achievement			
Informensa	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	
Entertainment			
Puzzles & Games: *Mensan*	San Diego Mensa	Richard Harrison & Ann-Marie Lindstrom Norm Pos & Jan Thyden	
Humor: *M-Press*	Coastal Carolina Mensa	Gil Krebs	
Fiction: *Mensan*	San Diego Mensa	Richard Harrison & Ann-Marie Lindstrom Norm Pos	
Overall: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Bill & Holly Horton	

Presentation			
Cleanliness: *Proteus*	Delaware Valley Mensa	Jere Lull	
Layout: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	
Artwork: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Bill & Holly Horton	Laura Leary
Overall: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	

1993: Wilma Tucker, Chair.
The 1993 Owl Award went to **Pat Spence, editor of Gulf Coast Mensa's *Informensa*.** Special Mentions were awarded to **Michael Pearce** for his "Eulogy for William Gaines" in *OMEN*; and to **Erich Weiler** for "Holy Cow Lawn Maintenance" in *Informensa.*

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Service			
Calendar: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Mary Louise Gaston	
Forum: *Beacon*	Boston Mensa	Al Beecy	
Reporting: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	
Overall: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Mary Louise Gaston	
Editorial			
Continuing Column			
M-Pressions	Central Iowa Mensa	Mary Donahue	Bill Ward
Essay: *Proteus*	Delaware Valley Mensa	Jere Lull	Harry Johnson
Theme Issue: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	"Men"/ "Gifted Children"
Overall Editorial Achievement			
Informensa	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence	
Entertainment			
Puzzles & Games: *The 4M*	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill	Joe Venuti & Dwight Gill
Humor: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Mary Louise Gaston	George Trepal
Fiction: *M-Pressions*	Central Iowa Mensa	Mary Donahue	Bill Ward
Overall: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Mary Louise Gaston	
Presentation			
Cleanliness: *Media*	Ct. & W. Mass. Mensa	Rob & Beth Bernobich	
Layout: *Tampa Bay Sounding*	Tampa Bay Mensa	Karen Eiler	
Artwork: *Sunflower Seeds*	Sunflower Mensa	Donalie Beltran	LaVena Kay Kidd
Overall: *Tampa Bay Sounding*	Tampa Bay Mensa	Karen Eiler	

1994: Teresa Fisher, Chair.
The 1994 Owl Award was presented to **Vicki Hurst, editor of Greater Phoenix Mensa's *Much Ado About Mensa*.** A Special Mention was also awarded to *Much Ado About Mensa.*

Category/Newsletter	Local Group	Editor(s)	Individual
Service			
Calendar: *Beacon*	Boston Mensa	Al Beecy	Phil Hill
Forum: *Proteus*	Delaware Valley Mensa	Jere Lull & Deborah Hess	

Reporting: *M-Anation*	Maryland Mensa	Carol Baldwin	Baldwin & Steve Collier
Overall: *Beacon*	Boston Mensa	Al Beecy	

Editorial

Continuing Column			
The Oracle	Orange County Mensa	Marcia King	Cookie Bakke & Terry Black
Essay: *Proteus*	Delaware Valley Mensa	Jere Lull & Deborah Hess	William Stemman/Joyce Hayden
Theme Issue: *Informensa*	Gulf Coast Mensa	Michael McMillin	
Overall Editorial Achievement			
Informensa	Gulf Coast Mensa	Michael McMillin	

Entertainment

Puzzles & Games: *The 4M*	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill	Joe Venuti
Humor: *M-Press*	Coastal Carolina Mensa	Gil Krebs	
Fiction: *Proteus*	Delaware Valley Mensa	Jere Lull & Deborah Hess	William Stemman
Overall: *M-Press*	Coastal Carolina Mensa	Gil Krebs	

Presentation

Cleanliness			
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	Ben Crumpton	
Layout: *Media*	Ct. & W. Mass. Mensa	Rob & Beth Bernobich	
Artwork: *Media*	Ct. & W. Mass. Mensa	Rob & Beth Bernobich	Alice Hoffman, Mike Blinn, Leona Bourassa
Overall			
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Vicki Hurst	

1995: Linda Spellmon, Chair.
Three Owl Awards were made in 1995, one to the best overall newsletter in the three size categories. Also, the other award categories were significantly modified for the first time in seven years. In addition, a large number of Individual Recognition Awards (IRAs) were announced in the *Bulletin* at the time the other nominations were announced.

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**
The Owl Award		
Large Group: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Lin Rockler
Medium Group: *OMEN*	Oregon Mensa	Michael Pearce
Small Group: *Mind Bets*	Southern Nevada Mensa	Carole Moran
Basic Services		
Calendar: *The 4M*	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill
Local News Reporting		
MPHASIS	Greater New York Mensa	Ed Pell
Member Recognition: *Braegen*	East Central Ohio Mensa	David Busch
Mensa Community		
National: *Mind Bets*	Southern Nevada Mensa	Carole Moran

Regional: *Intelligencer*	San Francisco Regional Mensa	Dean Howard

Visual Presentation

Layout/Simple		
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Patricia Arnold
Grammar: *Beacon*	Boston Mensa	Sue Thornburg

Editorial

Editorial Achievement		
Mind Bets	Southern Nevada Mensa	Carole Moran
Opinion Forum:		
Much Ado About Mensa	Greater Phoenix Mensa	Patricia Arnold

Entertainment

Most Entertaining: *M-Press*	Coastal Carolina Mensa	Gil Krebs
Best Puzzles & Games		
The 4M	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill
Most Thought-Provoking		
M-Tides	Tidewater Mensa	Jeanie Lankes

Honorable Mention for Cover Photos/Artwork

NOVA	Western Michigan Mensa	Theresa Zeman

Individual Recognition Award (IRA) - Artwork

1.	*M-Anation*	Carol Baldwin, ed., art by Larissa Dillin
2.	*Media*	Rob & Beth Bernobich, eds., art by Leona Bourassa
3.	*Informensa*	Michael McMillin, ed., art by John Horrall
4.	*M-Pressions*	Cheryl Laurent, ed., art by Lisa Arment
5.	*The Oracle*	Elaine de Neef, ed., art by Helen Geelings
6.	*Media*	Rob & Beth Bernobich, eds., cover art by Beth Bernobich
7.	*Kyosk*	Teresa Fisher, ed., cover art March 1995
8.	*The Flame*	Mary Louise Gaston, ed., cover art by Tommy Bragg

IRA - Continuing Column

1.	*Graffiti*	Mary Ann Terrigno, ed.,	"Straight Jacquet" by David Jacquet
2.	*Braegen*	David Busch, ed.,	"Columny" by David Busch
3.	*Mensan*	Brandi Hoffman, ed.,	"But I Digress" by Bill Plachy
4.	*Of Mice and Mensa*	Ken Roberts, ed.,	"A Word to the Wise" by Judy Burdick
5.	*Mensokie*	Stan Alluisi, ed.,	"Nothing Continues to Happen" by Stan Alluisi
6.	*MPHASIS*	Ed Pell, ed.,	"Young Mensan's Page"
7.	*i.e.,*	Don Beatty & Lynda Kay, eds.,	"From Both Sides of the House" by Don Beatty & Lynda Kay
8.	*Mid-Mensan*	Ron McMurdy, ed.,	"Trivia Contest" by Jim Jelacic
9.	*The Oracle*	Elaine de Neef, ed.,	"Sinistra Manu" by Johnny Automatic & Mrs. Fuji
10.	*MSLaneous*	Susan Love, ed.,	"Imagination" by Lisa Shea
11.	*Mensagenda*	Lin Rockler, ed.,	"Shifting Paradigms" by Gene Stoneman
12.	*Mensagenda*	Lin Rockler, ed.,	"Blue River" by Ray Voet

IRA - Essay

1.	*La Plume de NOM*	David Henry, Sr., ed.,	"Ask Dr. Search" by Dr. Frisken Search
2.	*Mensagenda*	Lin Rockler, ed.,	"Survival: Image" by Ray Voet

3.	*Mensan*	Brandi Hoffman, ed.,	"But I Digress" by Bill Plachy (July '94)
4.	*Momentum*	Treelady, ed.,	"Hugs Pleez" by Richard Writer
5.	*ChiMe*	Deborah Dimond, ed.,	"Cold" by Richard Stein
6.	*M-Aura*	Daniel Chenault, ed.,	"Blind Racism" by Kathy McWhorter
7.	*M-Anation*	Carol Baldwin, ed.,	"The Intelligent Believer: A Paradox or Not?" by Phillip A. Stahl
8.	*Tampa Bay Sounding*	Christopher Thomas, ed.,	"Ferry Tales: Landing in La-La Land" by Tom Reesor
9.	*Informensa*	Michael McMillin, ed.,	"Dumb Animals" by Diane Statham
10.	*IMPRINT*	Karl Zero, ed.,	"The Human Side/Change Happens: What Direction for NNJM?" by David Geiger
11.	*Tampa Bay Sounding*	Christopher Thomas, ed.,	"Ben Thinkin'/Let's Get Real About Drugs" by Ben Crumpton

IRA - Theme Issue

1.	*Armadillo Literary Gazette*	Jim Tarsi, ed.,	"Vegetarian"
2.	*Mind Bets*	Carole Moran, ed.,	"Love Stories"
3.	*Informensa*	Michael McMillin, ed.,	"My Pet is the Best"
4.	*Informensa*	Michael McMillin, ed.,	"Words to Live By"

IRA - Humor

1.	*M-Press*	Gil Krebs, ed.,	cartoons by Jim "Catfish" Brown
2.	*MVM-Pire*	Carol Allport, ed.,	"Uncharted" by Donald Swaby
3.	*Mension*	Susan Ramsdell, ed.,	"The Truth of the Matter" by Warren Walker
4.	*MPHASIS*	Ed Pell, ed.,	"Ask Miss Fortune" (Jan./Feb. issue)
5.	*The Flame*	Mary Louise Gaston, ed.,	"Fractured French" by Catherine Rock (reprinted)
6.	*The Flame*	Mary Louise Gaston, ed.,	"Lies and Rumors" by George Trepal
7.	*Mensokie*	Stan Alluisi, ed.,	"The Clinton/English Dictionary" by Chris Kavanaugh
8.	*The Oracle*	Elaine de Neef, ed.,	"Caucasian Reproductive Hazards" by Alan M. Schwartz
9.	*MPHASIS*	Ed Pell, ed.,	"Ask Miss Information by Edie O. Savant" by Ed Pell
10.	*M-PORT*	Katcha Shiver, ed.,	"GLUL-GAL-LAGST" by Dave Thomas
11.	*Redwood Mpire News*	Chod Harris, ed.,	"Personality Types" by Bill Zigo and Alan Hauck

IRA - Fiction or Poetry

1.	*Col-M*	Dick Nuenke, ed.,	"Chuck the Chicken" by Barbara Kraft
2.	*M-Pulse*	Clement Lokai, ed.,	"Suburbia" by Katherine Kunz
3.	*MVM-Pire*	Carol Allport, ed.,	"Uncharted" by Donald Swaby
4.	*Intelligencer*	Dean Howard, ed.,	"Editorial" by Bill Holden
5.	*i.e.,*	Don Beatty & Lynda Kay, eds.,	"The Gauntlet" by Bari Bet
6.	*Braegen*	David Busch, ed.,	"An Ice Play to Play" by Mary A. Turzillo
7.	*Tampa Bay Sounding*	Christopher Thomas, ed.,	"Concentration Camp" by Phoebe Solomon
8.	*M-Tides*	Jeanie Lankes, ed.,	"Destiny" by JDC
9.	*Intelligencer*	Dean Howard, ed.,	"The Beginning" by Robert Witham
10.	*Tampa Bay Sounding*	Christopher Thomas, ed.,	"Holding On, Letting Go" by Ed Kelley
11.	*Mind Bets*	Carole Moran, ed.,	"The Dance" by Chris Cain
12.	*Browbeat*	Merrell Fortner, ed.,	"Lifetime Pass" by Phyllis Franklin
13.	*Mind Bets*	Carole Moran, ed.,	"July, Desert City" by Modene Reed

IRA - Special Mention Awards

1.	*MPHASIS*	Ed Pell, ed.,	"Young Mensan's Page"
2.	*NOVA*	Theresa Zeman, ed.,	cover photography
3.	*Mensokie*	Stan Alluisi, ed.,	"Mensa Angst" by Jon Lundeen
4.	*MVM-Pire*	Carol Allport, ed.,	"Nobility" by Kathy McWhorter (reprinted)
5.	*M-Anation*	Carol Baldwin, ed.,	owl butterfly cover by Larissa Dillin

1996: Donna Jadis, Chair.

Three Owl Awards were made in 1996, one to the best overall newsletter in the three size categories. The other award categories generally followed 1995's format, except for the IRA's, which were not given. Instead, there were a number of Special Mention Awards made.

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**
The Owl Award		
Large Group: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Victoria McGraw
Medium Group: *Mensokie*	Central Oklahoma Mensa	Stan Alluisi
Small Group		
Borderline Mensa M-Bassador	Borderline Mensa	Bob Cox
Service		
Calendar: *The 4M*	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill
Group Forum: *OMEN*	Oregon Mensa	Scott Kauffman
Reporting: *LAMENT*	GLAAM	Andrew Cohen
Member Recognition: *LMNTs*	Lubbock Mensa	Grace LeMonds
Overall Service: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Victoria McGraw
Presentation		
Details: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Victoria McGraw
Layout: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Victoria McGraw
Artwork: *Mensokie*	Central Oklahoma Mensa	Stan Alluisi
Photography: *NOVA*	Western Michigan Mensa	Theresa Zeman (Cover photos)
Overall Presentation: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Victoria McGraw
Editorial		
Continuing Column		
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	George & Sylvia Zadorozny ("Evanescence" Evelyn Hallowell)
Essay: *The Oracle*	Orange County Mensa	Marji James ("In Memoriam: John Watkins" Chuck LaMont, 11/95)
Best Theme: *MIND*	Indianapolis Mensa	Scott Flood ("Mynde" Newsletter within newsletter, 8/95)
Overall Editorial Achievement		
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	George & Sylvia Zadorozny
Entertainment		
Puzzles & Games (tie)		
The 4M	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill ("Puzzle Pages" (Dwight Gill); "Crossword Puzzle" (Joe Venuti); "Bridge" (Keith Falkner)
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	George & Sylvia Zadorozny

Humor: *M-Press*	Coastal Carolina Mensa	Gil Krebs
Fiction: *Tampa Bay Sounding*	Tampa Bay Mensa	George & Sylvia Zadorozny
Overall Entertainment		
Tampa Bay Sounding	Tampa Bay Mensa	George & Sylvia Zadorozny

Special Mention Awards

The 4M	Manasota Mensa	Dwight Gill; For special kids' section each month
ChiMe	Chicago Area Mensa	Victoria McGraw; For providing an excellent idea of what American Mensa and Chicago Area Mensa are about.
NOVA	Western Michigan Mensa	Theresa Zeman; Elegant covers with unique use of bleeds with photography and artwork.
Informensa	Gulf Coast Mensa	Pat Spence; A great variety of articles.
LMNTs	Lubbock Mensa	Grace LeMonds; The Amazin' Grace LeMonds is truly astounding. Is there such a thing as an award for "Central Clearing House" or "Editor Whom We Can Least Afford to do Without..."? If not, we should make one up.
Sally Hemings Memorial Newsletter	Thomas Jefferson Mensa	William Wingfield, Jr. Friendliest and most inviting.

1997: Donna Jadis, Chair.

Three Owl Awards were made in 1997, one to the best overall newsletter in the three size categories. The other award categories generally followed 1996's format, with the replacement of the "Editorial" categories with "Individual Achievement" categories.

Category/Newsletter	**Local Group**	**Editor(s)**	**Individual**
The Owl Award			
Large Group: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Vickie McGraw	
Medium Group: *Col-M*	Columbus Area Mensa	Dick Nuenke	
Small Group: *MensaLink*	Lincoln Mensa	Erin Koffler	
Service			
Calendar (tie)			
Matrix	Denver Mensa	Sarah Boe	
MensaLink	Lincoln Mensa	Erin Koffler	
Forum: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Lin Rockler	
Reporting: *Mension*	Mid-America Mensa	Susan Ramsdell	
Member Recognition: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Vickie McGraw	
Membership Roster: *OMEN*	Oregon Mensa	Scott Kauffman	
Overall Service: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Lin Rockler	
Presentation			
Details: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Lin Rockler	
Layout: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Lin Rockler	
Artwork: *Mensagenda*	Minnesota Mensa	Lin Rockler	
Photography			
The SacraMensan	Sacramento Mensa	Steev Schmidt	
Overall Presentation: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Vickie McGraw	

Entertainment

Puzzles/Games: *Col-M*	Columbus Area Mensa	Dick Nuenke	
Humor: *M-Press*	Coastal Carolina Mensa	Gil Krebs	
Fiction: *Matrix*	Denver Mensa	Sarah Boe	
Theme Issue: *Matrix*	Denver Mensa	Sarah Boe	"Going to the Dogs" Issue
Poetry/Limericks: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Vickie McGraw	
Overall Entertainment			
Matrix	Denver Mensa	Sarah Boe	

Individual Achievement

Artwork: *The Flame*	Central Florida Mensa	Patti Schwindt	Tommy Bragg
Photography			
The SacraMensan	Sacramento Mensa	Steev Schmidt	Steev Schmidt - Photo Essay on Mensa's 50th Anniversary
Fiction: *Matrix*	Denver Mensa	Sarah Boe	Tami D. Cowden "Play it Again Sam"
Humor (tie):			
Graffiti	Cleveland Area Mensa	M.A. Terrigno	Mike Mayer "Why I Think 7 is a Cool Number"
Matrix	Denver Mensa	Sarah Boe	Orson the Cat "Dogs: A Personal Perspective"
Essay: *Channel M*	Channel Islands Mensa	Mark Hutchenreuther	Roland Porter "When I Was an Idiot"
Continuing Column (tie)			
Mensagenda	Minnesota Mensa	Lin Rockler	Idea Dog
BOMB	Borderline Mensa	Bob Cox	Linde Mohr "Cia de Italia"
Editor's Column: *MensaLink*	Lincoln Mensa	Erin Koffler	
LocSec's Column: *ChiMe*	Chicago Area Mensa	Vickie McGraw	Gary Kryvko

Web Page Award

New Orleans Mensa	Krishna Wells-Roger, Designer

Special Mention Awards

Most Improved			
Northern Lou-Men-Essence	No. Louisiana Mensa	Dan Tobias	
Poetry: *IMPRINT*	No. New Jersey Mensa	Karl Zero	Marion Arenas
Member Handbook			
Chicago Area Mensa	Paula Bargiel (Handbook Editor)		
Outstanding Member Service - Listing Neighboring Chapter's Contact Phones			
IMPRINT	No. New Jersey Mensa	Allen Neuner (Calendar Editor)	
Best Begging for Candidates - ExComm Candidate Questionnaire			
Mid-Mensan	Mid-Hudson Mensa	Bill Zigo	
Weirdest Text Block - Making it fun to READ the boilerplate each month			
MPHASIS	Greater New York Mensa	Bob Buethe	
Phony names in each month's Birthday List			
Sally Hemings Memorial Newsletter	Thomas Jefferson Mensa	Didi Pancake & William Wingfield, Jr.	
Great Use of Space - Quotations in the Margins			
The SangaMensan	Sangamon Valley Mensa	Eddie Ward	

summary of award winners

Through 1997, the following newsletters have received 5 or more awards each. Included are Owl awards, other listed awards, Special Mentions, the 1995 IRAs, and the 1997 Individual Achievement awards. **Not** included are "runner up" listings or listings denoting second or third place in a category.

Informensa	24
Tampa Bay Sounding	23
Mensan	21
The Oracle	18
The Flame	17
Mensagenda	17
ChiMe	16
Much Ado About Mensa	16
Beacon	13
LAMENT	13
Sunflower Seeds	9
The 4M	9
MPHASIS	9
Braegen	8
M-Press	8
Graffiti	8
Nexus	7
MIND	7
Matrix	7
Browbeat	6
Proteus	6
Forvm	6
Intelligencer	6
La Plume de NOM	6
Media	6
Mind Bets	6
Wiscom	6
Mensokie	6
OMEN	6
NOVA	5
Momentum	5

Mensa Trivia Tidbit

The Isolated-M magazine, affectionately known as the "Little Green Rag," or "LGR," has not always been green. The first issue (Volume 1, Number1), dated June 1974, had a yellow cover. All succeeding issues have had green covers.

summary of owl award winners

Year	Newsletter	Editor	Local Group
1975:	*Mensan*	Beth Sample	San Diego Mensa
1976:	*Beacon*	Meredy Mullen	Boston Mensa
1977:	no award		
1978:	*MPHASIS*	Linda Ann Loschiavo	Greater New York Mensa
1979:	*Mensan*	William Fusselman	San Diego Mensa
1980:	no award		
1981:	no award		
1982:	*Much Ado About Mensa*	Nancy Phelps	Greater Phoenix Area
1983:	*Mensan*	Mari Andersson	San Diego Mensa
1984:	*Informensa*	Richard Jones	Gulf Coast Mensa
1985:	*Informensa*	Richard Jones	Gulf Coast Mensa
1986:	no award		
1987:	*Much Ado About Mensa*	Tyger Gilbert	Greater Phoenix Area
1988:	*The Oracle*	Cookie Bakke	Greater Los Angeles Area
1989:	*Mensagenda*	David Van Geest	Minnesota Mensa
1990:	*The Flame*	Happy Aziz	Central Florida Mensa
1991:	*Mensagenda*	Rosemary Marx	Minnesota Mensa
1992:	*The Oracle*	David Mitchell	Greater Los Angeles Area
1993:	*Informensa*	Pat Spence	Gulf Coast Mensa
1994:	*Much Ado About Mensa*	Vicki Hurst	Greater Phoenix Area
1995:			
lg. -	*Mensagenda*	Lin Rockler	Minnesota Mensa
med. -	*OMEN*	Michael Pearce	Oregon Mensa
sm. -	*Mind Bets*	Carole Moran	Southern Nevada Mensa

1996:			
lg. -	*ChiMe*	Victoria McGraw	Chicago Area Mensa
med. -	*Mensokie*	Stan Alluisi	Central Oklahoma Mensa
sm. -	*Borderline Mensa M-Bassador*	Bob Cox	Borderline Mensa
1997:			
lg. -	*ChiMe*	Victoria McGraw	Chicago Area Mensa
med. -	*Col-M*	Dick Nuenke	Columbus Area Mensa
sm. -	*MensaLink*	Erin Koffler	Lincoln Mensa

4-way tie for most Owl Awards (3 each):
Mensan, Mensagenda, Informensa, Much Ado About Mensa

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editors of mensa publications

The Mensa Correspondence
(01/59 - 03/64)
Interim: The Mensa Journal
(04/64 - 02/67)
Intelligence: The Mensa Journal
(03/67 - 04/68)
The Mensa Journal
(05/68 - 06/87)*
Thought
(12/75 - 05/76)
Mensa International Journal
(09/87 - date)

Basil Mager	01/59 - 08/59
Sinclair Eustace	09/59 - 06/60
Win Serebriakoff	07/60
Joyce Mumford	08/60 - 07/63
(Secretary of Editorial Committee)	
David Mason	08/63 - 12/64
(North American Editor:	
Stan Harrison:	06/63 - 07/64)
Joyce Mumford	01/65 - 02/65
Max Wyman	03/65 - 12/65
(North American Editor:	
Anna Lee van Overhagen:	09/65 - 03/66)
Peter Goodman	01/66 - 01/67
(North American Editors:	
Nat Freedland:	11/66 - 11/67;
Andy Di Cyan:	11/66 - 04/68;
Bill Todt:	11/66 - 04/68)
Edwin Packer	02/67
Tony Buzan	03/67 - 04/68
Ivan Robinson	05/68 - 09/69
(North American Editors:	
Mike Miner:	05/68 - 02/69;
Linn Blank Weil:	06/68 - 02/70;
Gordon Haliburton:	05/68 - 09/68)
George and Rosemary Atherton	10/69 - 02/72
Tony Buzan	03/72 - 05/73
Tim Eiloart	06/73 - 05/76
George Atherton	06/76 - 03/82
Victor Serebriakoff	04/82 - 07/82
Gregory Stone	10/82 - 10/83
David Tebbutt	11/83 - 12/85
John McNulty	01/86 - 06/87
Mary Jane Stevens	09/87 - 02/92
Kimberly K. Walker-Daniels	03/92 - 09/94
Michael Brösius	11/94 - 04/95
Aldo A. Aulicino (Au Licino)	05/95 - 11/96
Therese Moodie-Bloom	12/96 -

Mensa World

Mikie Kane	11/82 - 07/83
Ed Oram	10/83 - 10/86
Kimberly K. Walker-Daniels	01/87 - 10/88
F. Tessa (Escamilla) Bartels	01/89 - 06/91
Dan & Ruth Dozier	07/91 - 03/94
Trevor W. McKeown	04/94 -

Isolated-M

Harper Fowley	06/74 - 05/82
Lloyd Teitsworth	06/82 - 08/84
Darlene J. Criss	09/84 - 02/95
Dan & Ruth Dozier	03/95 -

(Under purview of AMC's Publications Officer from 2/83-7/84. Treated as an AML "SIG" and/or "Service" since 8/84.)

Mensa (USA) Announcements
(10/61)
American Mensa Activities Report
(11/61 - 11/63)
North American Mensa Activities Report
(12/63 - 5/64)
North American Mensa Activities Bulletin
(6/64 - 5/66)
and
Mensa Bulletin
(6/66 - date)

John J. Codella	10/61
Peter A. Sturgeon*	11/61 - 07/62
Anna Lee van Overhagen	01/66 - 04/66
Lawrence Farber	05/66 - 02/67
Kathleen D. Shafer	10/67 - 04/68
Lee Russell (Huggins)	05/68 - 01/69
Margot Seitelman & Sander Rubin (pro tem)	02/69 - 04/69
Edward H. Diamond	05/69 - 08/70
Karl F. Ross	09/70 - 12/75
Gordon K. Andersen	01/76 - 09/77
Meredy Mullen Amyx	10/77 - 03/80
Susan L. Wantland	04/80 - 09/81
Darlene J. Criss	10/81 - 02/84
Katherine DeWitt, Jr.	03/84 - 05/85
Kent B. Van Cleave**	06/85 - 12/92
Marjorie I. Mandelblatt	01/93 -

* Newsletter numbering begins with this (11/61) issue.
** Paid editors from September 1986 to present.

From 8/62 - 12/65, and again from 3/67 - 9/67, there was no official editor. All of these issues were edited and produced by Margot Seitelman and her staff, including Susan M. Seidman (1/63 - 7/64).

The "international" and "American" newsletters were first merged with issue #16 (3/63) of the *American Mensa Activities Report*, and issue #48 (2/63) of the *Mensa Correspondence*.

The November 1963 issue was the first typeset edition.

The November 1967 issue was the first edition of the *Mensa Bulletin* with the International section inside.

InterLoc

(Newsletter for LocSecs, Editors, and other interested Ms; available free of charge. Name was first suggested by Abilene LocSec Lloyd Huff)

Andy Di Cyan	1 - 3	09/67 - 06/68
Terry Kuch	4 - 21	01/69 - 06/70
Mary Jane Watson	22 - 47	07/70 - 12/72
Norman Pos	48 - 61	02/73 - 03/74
William J. Holden	62 - 91	04/74 - 12/76
James B. Wantland	92 - 110	01/77 - 11/78
Mikie Kane	111 - 133	12/78 - 03/81
Rue E. Mathison	134 - 145	04/81 - 05/82
Linda Kelso	146 - 187	06/82 - 07/86
Ted Elzinga	188 - 217	09/86 - 08/89
Brenda Lewis	218 - 221	09/89 - 12/89
The Joyce Lundeen	222 - 255	03/90 - 06/93
Pat Spence	256 - 275	07/93 - 07/95
Marie Mayer	276 - 296	08/95 - 08/97
Lin Rockler	297	09/97
LeAnne Porter (acting)	298 -	10/97 -

Talisman *and* ***Bright Ideas***
(12/82 - 4/84) (8/84 - present)

Newsletter for Gifted Children's coordinators.
"Bright Ideas" name first suggested by Art Mattson.

Carolyn Mellor	12/82 - 04/84
Arthur E. Mattson	08/84
Brenda ReVelle	10/84 - 04/85
Karen Furuhjelm	07/85 - 12/89
Margaret Stickler	03/90
Tabitha Boehmer	06/90 -

Mensa Research Committee Newsletter
(7/66 - 7/68)
Mensa Research Journal
(5/69 - present)

Vernon K. Schumann	07/66 - 04/72
Dr. Max L. Fogel	05/72 - 07/82
Gene McMahon	03/83 - 07/84
Stuart W. Friedman	01/85 - 02/86
Phyllis K. Miller	03/86 -

SIGnal / SIGnet
(newsletter for SIG coordinators)

Paul Victor*	08/77 - 06/79
Marcia Shuman*	08/79 - 11/79
Ann-Marie Dobbs	06/82 - 09/82
Cindy Moog	04/84 - 06/91
Charles Bratt	07/91 - 04/93
Wanda Wolfe	06/93 - 08/95
Mary Prior	10/95 - 01/96
W. Andrew York - temp.	02/96
Al & Bunny Warsh	03/96 -

* = SIGnal

local groups of american mensa

The term "Local Group" originated in the United States in early 1962. In England, subgroups were originally called "Regional Centres," then "Regional Groups." The first such group in England was the Midlands Group in Birmingham, started in 1956. Bernard Billing was the first "Local Secretary." The May 1961 issue of the *Mensa Correspondence* reported that one of the 19 Mensa Regional Groups outside Central London, as of the last Annual Gathering (November 1960), was New York City. While New York City may thus be considered the first Local Group in America, it was not formally organized until two years later.

On May 25, 1961, a listing of all paid-up members in the United States contained 92 names from 15 states. There were 47 members in New York, 17 in New Jersey, 6 in Massachusetts, 5 in Pennsylvania, 2 each in California, Maryland, North Carolina, Illinois, Oregon and Washington State. There was a single member in Texas, Idaho, Missouri, Alabama and Connecticut. By March 15, 1962, that list had grown to 284 names, representing 31 states, the District of Columbia, and Canada. Of these, New York had 128 members, New Jersey 30, Massachusetts 21, Canada 11, and California and Pennsylvania 10 each. Other states represented included Connecticut (7); Michigan (6); Ohio, Washington, Texas, Illinois and Minnesota (5 each); and Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia and Oregon (3 each). Thus, it is clear that through March 1962, the terms "local groups" and "meetings" (except for N.Y., N.J. and Mass.) held little practical meaning.

In July 1961, a call was put out for local chairmen; beginnings were being made in Massachusetts and in Westchester County (New York).

The first meeting to take place outside the New York City area, as far as we know, was in October 1961 in Waltham, Massachusetts, at the home of Gloria Saltzberg. Gloria and Laurie Van Someren are considered the founders of the Boston Mensa group. Peter Sturgeon referred to the group (in the November 15, 1961 issue of the *American Mensa Activities Report*) as "Massachusetts Mensa," thereby recognizing the first "Local Group" outside New York City.

In January 1962, it was noted that a local group was "already in existence" in San Francisco.

There were five groups identified in March 1962: New York City, Westchester County, Long Island, Boston, San Francisco and East Lansing, Michigan. Washington, D.C. came into being the following month (April 1962).

Local group activity accelerated rapidly from that point, thanks to Local Groups Organizer Helen Tono. By September 1962, 30 local groups were listed. However, only a few (Boston, Long Island, New Jersey and San Francisco) were noted to be "flourishing" in Helen's report to the October 17, 1962 AMC meeting.

Meanwhile, in July 1962, San Francisco's "Bay Area Mensa" had published the first non-national Mensa publication in the U.S., *Chiaroscuro* (Terry Kuch, editor). It was a literary review and cost 50 cents.

In November 1962, New York City Mensa took steps to become formally organized by electing its first chairman (Dr. Robert U. Ayres). The Philadelphia group held their organizational meeting on February 15, 1963.

Of course, in those early days, many Local Groups came and went, depending on the motivation and persistence of the members and the Local Secretary. Many groups existed "on paper," but not all of them held regular (or even semi-regular) meetings. As a case in point, there were only 19 active "Local Groups" in the U.S. in June 1964, compared to 50 "Local Secretaries."

Moreover, the first "Local Secretary" for most groups was the individual who first contacted either Margot Seitelman, Helen Tono or Peter Sturgeon. They were usually writing to inquire as to what activities were going on in their area. The response would usually along the lines of "Congratulations, you've just been appointed Local Secretary! Here's a list of members in your area. Try to get some activities started that your members might be interested in!"

Returning to early local group publications. Following the success of *Chiaroscuro*, New York Mensa subsequently published *Charisma* (originally planned to be called *Chiaroscuro #2*), in May 1963. This literary review was edited by Jay Albrecht and sold for 50 cents. *Charisma II* was published in November 1965.

Local group "newsletters" originated in England with the Leeds group's *Brand X*, first published around February 1961. In the U.S., most groups began corresponding via post cards and/or mimeographed notices of meetings. Few of these survive, so their history is somewhat hazy. Regular local group "newsletters," ranging from single sheets to booklets, began appearing in 1963 and 1964, but most early groups began publishing in 1965. The earliest local group newsletter from the U.S. that I've found is the *Grumman Chapter News*, first published in June 1964 by the Grumman Aircraft Chapter (NY) and edited by Tom Hamilton. However, the March 1963 edition of the *American Mensa Activities Report* noted (under the entry for Los Angeles) that Alan Truelove was the author of a local newsletter that he would send to area members on request. This newsletter was still being produced in late-1963. In addition, Harper Fowley started putting out a "newsletter" for the Louisville group when he joined in March 1964. The group has issued a newsletter continuously ever since; it became *Kyosk* a while later.

The two dominant Canadian groups began publishing local newsletters earlier than their American counterparts. In Toronto, the *Toronto Mensa Newsletter* probably began sometime in 1963, as evidenced by the fact that Volume II, #20 is dated October 16, 1964. Toronto's newsletter changed its name to *Mentor* around April 1965. In Montreal, the local group newsletter was called *Trapeza*. It probably began at the end of 1963 or the beginning of 1964, based on Volume 2, #9 being dated June 1965.

I've compiled the following listing of the other early local group newsletters in the United States, based on various sources, including inference from later material. The listing is probably incomplete and is definitely not "perfect;" I apologize to any group whose newsletter I've inadvertently omitted.

Local Group	**Newsletter Name**	**Editor (if known)**	**First Issue**
Kansas City Mensa	*Mensameanors*	Gunter Stave	08/28/64
"	*eye cue*	Frank Steinman, *et alia*	05/01/65
"	*Surly Scrolls*	Joe T. Middleton	06/65
"	*FOR-U-Ms**	Bernard Kottler & Frank Steinman	06/65
San Francisco Mensa	*Mensa*	Jeremy Ets-Hokin	09/29/64
"	*Intelligencer*	Bruce & Kathy Irvine	04/65
Los Angeles Mensa	*Lament*	Elliot Freeman	12/64
New Hampshire Mensa	*ozyMandias*	Wayne Green	01/65
Denver Mensa	*Matrix*	Girard F. Baker	c.01/65
San Antonio Mensa	*Mantel*	Dorothy Watson & Mike Sipe	c.02/65
New York City Mensa	*M-phasis*	Committee	03/65
St. Louis Mensa	*Phlush*	Committee	c.04/65
Portland Mensa	*O-Men*	Russ Myer	05/08/65
Alabama Mensa	*Pinhead*		c.05/65
Atlanta Mensa	*MOTS*		c.05/65
Chicago Mensa	*ChiMe*	Andy Di Cyan	c.05/65
Honolulu Mensa	*Charivari*		c.05/65
Pittsburgh Mensa	*Mentholatum*		c.05/65
Minnesota Mensa	*Minnesota Mensa*	Otis Winegar	06/65
San Diego Mensa	*Mensan*	Jim Ward	08/65
Michigan Mensa	*M-Pathy*	Edith LaCroix	08/65
Delaware Valley Mensa	*Proteus*		c.08/65
Cleveland Mensa	*Graffiti*	Kay Wood	09/65
So. Florida Mensa	*Flamenco*		c.09/65
Mensa of Baltimore	*Baltimore Mensa News*	Rosalie Maggitti	11/65
West Los Angeles	*Wee Lambs*	Joan Kauffman	11/15/65
Washington D.C. Mensa	*Capital-M*	Carol Wolff	03/66

* An "alternative" newsletter, published by elements of the Kansas City group.

When the first American Mensa Bylaws were enacted in the fall of 1964, it was established that local groups needed to be formally recognized by the North American Mensa Committee (NAMC). The first 10 Local Groups were recognized by the NAMC on December 7, 1964. These groups were: New York City, Montreal, Louisville, Miami, Los Angeles, San Diego, Monterey, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Raleigh and Phoenix. Seven more groups were recognized on January 4, 1965: Washington, D.C., Kansas City, San Antonio, Rhode Island, Maine, Santa Cruz and Detroit.

In connection with the local group recognitions, each group was required to create a set of local bylaws. Robert A. Martinson of Minnesota Mensa drafted the first such bylaws to be accepted by the NAMC (on April 4, 1965). His draft became the model for many groups that followed.

Now for a few "LocSec" odds and ends. The first Handbook for Local Secretaries was published in September 1963, and was edited by William Willoughby of Philadelphia. A Local Secretary Association was started by Jim Sprague in 1967. There was a Local Secretary's SIG listed during 1974 and 1975. However, the best vehicle for communication among LocSecs, and between the AMC and LocSecs, has always been *InterLoc*, which was first published in September 1967. Recently, though, many LocSecs and other interested Mensans have turned to the Internet and the Mensa Forum on CompuServe for up-to-the-minute communication and information. Indeed, many National Mensas and local Mensa groups have created and maintain their own "home pages" on the World Wide Web.

"Minimum Standard Bylaws" were imposed in 1976; the first local group to incorporate them into their own bylaws was Maryland Mensa, on September 18, 1976.

By November 1, 1965, 88 Local Groups had been recognized. There were 107 in May 1966, 110 in July 1974, 127 in November 1981 and 134 by April 1983. As of March 31, 1997, there were 139 Local Groups in American Mensa (plus 338 APO/FPO, foreign and "Isolated-M" members; this is the ubiquitous "Region 00"), ranging in size from Forgotonia Mensa's 13, to the 2,183 member total for San Francisco Regional Mensa.

While all Local Groups' bylaws must contain the provisions set forth in the Minimum Standard Bylaws approved by the AMC, Local Groups today are as diverse as Mensans themselves. Some are incorporated, some have a "regional" structure, some are geographically compact and others are sparsely populated. Their newsletters also vary, from single page photocopies to full-size glossy magazines. More importantly, however, Local Groups provide most Mensans with their only real contact with other Mensans; and that's really our *raison d'etre*, isn't it?

Mensa Trivia Tidbit

The term "Densa," which has come to mean the non-Mensan world (and is usually expressed in a good-natured way), is almost as old as the term "Mensa' itself. The following limerick appeared in The Mensa Magazine of May 1947:

The earnest young members of Mensa
Found their nerves getting tensa and tensa;
While the rest of the nation
Despised cerebration
And merely grew densa and densa.

(by "Y.C." - Yorke Crompton, the first Treasurer of Mensa and one of the first handful of members.)

early "locsecs"

Most of these "LocSecs" were appointed to the position by Margot Seitelman, Peter Sturgeon or Helen Tono, pending the creation of local bylaws and the holding of local elections. Again, a caveat: this list is quite imperfect, I'm sure. It also intentionally omits a number of (now extinct) groups (like the separate New York City boroughs).

Boston:	Gloria Saltzberg	10/61
	Mia Cohen	11/63
	Irving Sibert	07/64
	Alan Goldberg	04/65
	Fred Lowenstein	09/65
Westchester County (NY):		
	Joseph L. Hutner	11/61
Central N.J.:	Dr. M.J.D. Low	11/61
	Cara Smith	03/63
	Daniel McElwain	11/64
Long Island (NY):		
	Laura Hackett	11/61
Los Angeles:	Stephen Gennes	11/61
	Elliot Freeman	07/62
	Alan J. Truelove	02/63
	Penny Williams	09/63
Montreal:	Ralph Berman	11/61
	H.D. Sherrington	04/64
Bay Area (CA):	Terry Kuch	12/61
	Edyth Short	09/63
	Jeremy Ets-Hokin	01/64
East Lansing (MI):	John Klempner	12/61
	Donald Reynolds	09/62
New York City:	Abe Kipnis	01/62
	Dr. Robert U. Ayres	11/62
	Jules B. Singer	06/63
Washington, D.C.:		
	David T. Humes	04/62
	Paul H. Smith	09/62
	David T. Humes	07/63
	Frank E. Clark	11/64
New Hampshire:	Wayne Green	09/62
Philadelphia:	William Willoughby	09/62
Toronto:	Peter Urquhart	09/62
	Peter C. Gawn	03/63
	Henry David Yee	08/63
Binghamton:	Peter Weissenberg	09/62
Rochester:	Freelon B. Kerry	09/62
	Susan Stephens	10/64
Central Mass.:	Judy Dickstein	09/62
Louisiana:	Burton E. Kline	09/62
	Leo McGowan	11/64
Central NY State:		
	Thomas Hamilton	09/62
Ohio:	Phillip Feigenbaum	09/62
Minnesota:	Robert A. Martinson	09/62 - 07/65
	Michael Holt (unofficial)	02/63 - 10/63
Northern New Jersey:		
	Elizabeth R. Stiller	09/62
	Harry Rogers	10/64
Connecticut:	Myron S. Weinberg	09/62
	Nancy McPheron	08/63
Colorado:	Clement M. Hull	09/62
Washington State:		
	Stephanie Fuchs	09/62
	G.R. Jongeward	09/62
	William E. Rupel	11/62
	Arthur Hartmann	10/64
Buffalo (NY):	Jane Baker	11/62
	Joseph Smith	08/64
Detroit:	James B. Gordon	11/62
	David Watson	01/64
	Gabe Werba	12/64
Oklahoma:	John M. Durham	11/62
	A.E. Perry	04/64
Texas:	Arthur W. Blue	05/63
Maine:	Sumner Goffin	11/63
Kansas City (1):	Joe T. Middleton	01/64
Kansas City (2):	Ethel McAfoose	04/64
Pittsburgh:	Anne Dempster	01/64
Idaho:	Gideon Oppenheimer	01/64
Iowa:	Bruce Lahue	01/64
Kentucky:	Harper Fowley	03/64
St. Louis:	Richard Cohen	03/64
Maryland:	Henry Cowan	04/64
	Marian Neufeld	09/65
San Diego:	William A. Rogers	04/64
	Don Griffin	12/64
	Willis Hayes	08/65
Virginia:	Meta O. Howlett	04/64
San Antonio:	Michael Sipe	04/64
Denver:	Maj. Robert Jensen	04/64
Dayton:	Noris L. Johnston	04/64
Rhode Island:	Ralph Gauvey	04/64
	Paul Heyman	11/64
Arizona:	Evan Stallcup	04/64
Ft. Worth:	Patrick Beckham	04/64
Cleveland:	Patrick Rooney	06/64
Utah:	Richard M. Smiley	06/64
Georgia:	Edrice Reynolds	06/64
Alabama:	Kenneth Askegren	08/64
Alaska:	John Cochran	12/64

CURRENT GROUP SIZES

As of March 31, 1997, the 25 largest Local Groups were:

1.	San Francisco Regional Mensa	2,183
2.	Greater New York Mensa	2,148
3.	Chicago Area Mensa	1,813
4.	Metropolitan Washington Mensa	1,630
5.	Greater Los Angeles Area Mensa	1,521
6.	Gulf Coast Mensa (TX)	1,042
7.	Southeast Michigan Mensa	994
8.	Delaware Valley Mensa	993
9.	Boston Mensa	944
10.	Atlanta Mensa	913
11.	Minnesota Mensa	863
12.	North Texas Mensa	862
13.	Greater Phoenix Mensa	817
14.	Orange County Mensa	810
15.	Mensa of Western Washington	793
16.	Northern New Jersey Mensa	760
17.	Central New Jersey Mensa	758
18.	San Diego Mensa	755
19.	Connecticut & Western Mass. Mensa	691
20.	Mid America Mensa	663
21.	St. Louis Area Mensa	656
22.	Mensa of Wisconsin	650
23.	Oregon Mensa	640
24.	Denver Mensa	601
25.	Maryland Mensa	554

As of March 31, 1997, the 25 smallest Local Groups were:

1.	Forgotonia Mensa (IL)	13
2.	Peace River Mensa (FL)	26
3.	South Mississippi Mensa	31
4.	Borderline Mensa (AZ)	40
5.	Corpus Christi Mensa	45
6.	North Dakota Mensa	48
7.	Mensa Grande (TX)	50
8.	South Coast Alabama Mensa	51
9.	High Mountain Mensa (CO)	53
10.	Columbia River Mensa (WA)	57
11.	Puerto Rico Mensa	58
12.	Evansville Area Mensa (IN)	59
13.	Fort Wayne Mensa (IN)	62
14.	South Dakota Mensa	64
15.	Sangamon Valley Mensa (IN)	65
16.	Upper East Tennessee Mensa	67
17.	French Broad Mensa	70
18.	Mountain Mensa	78
19.	Montgomery Wiregrass Mensa	79
20.	Northern Louisiana Mensa	81
21.	East Texas Mensa	83
22.	Chattanooga Mensa (TN)	84
22.	Vermont Mensa	84
24.	Lincoln Mensa (NE)	86
25.	Missouri Ozarks Mensa	89



BRITISH MENSA SYMBOL

This year the British Mensa Committee challenged its membership, 'Produce a symbol worthy of British Mensa!' There was a small prize — dues paid for a year for the winner. And 108 entries reached the British Mensa PRO, Scotland's Rik Dalglish, by the closing date. The design chosen, seen on the left, now appears on the masthead of each issue of the *British Mensa Activities Bulletin*, and will be used in all recruitment advertising.



It was submitted by Peter Devenish of Middlesex who describes it thus: 'The symbol is based on a stylised table which doubles as an *M*; an obvious solution in a way, but one which I felt nevertheless emerged as the appropriate one. *I have also incorporated the globe because internationalism is now an intrinsic quality of Mensa, and will doubtless become even more significant in the years ahead.* Above all, I felt it essential to avoid being complex or clever, and have therefore aimed to achieve distinctiveness through simplicity of design.'

The husband-and-wife Devenish team (Graphic Design Unit) are professionals. Their studio, a 56 ft purpose-built houseboat, is moored to Taggs Island at Hampton, and is probably the only boat with a telephone answering machine. Far left, Peter Devenish in a moody phase. Maybe the water's rough.

Peter Devenish, designer of the modern Mensa emblem, from the August 1969 *Mensa Journal*.



Peter A. Sturgeon
Founder of American Mensa



Plaque commemorating the founding of Mensa on October 1, 1946.
Located at 12 St. John Street in Oxford, England, the plaque was unveiled by Dr. L.L. Ware on October 1, 1976.

section 4

statistics, trivia and other odds and ends



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membership figures

08/15/60	22
12/31/60	50
05/18/61	92
10/15/61	157
10/20/62	649
06/01/63	875
09/10/63	1,071
05/01/64	2,189
06/01/64	2,512
09/30/64	3,193
01/01/65	5,346
03/31/65	6,189
07/01/65	7,140
10/01/65	7,642
01/01/66	8,364
03/31/66	9,521
07/25/66	10,608
03/31/67	12,116
03/31/68	11,451
03/31/69	10,992
03/31/70	10,680
03/31/71	11,668
03/31/72	13,554
03/31/73	16,368
03/31/74	16,642
03/31/75	19,537
03/31/76	21,144
03/31/77	23,823
03/31/78	28,621
03/31/79	33,367
03/31/80	41,810
03/31/81	47,203
03/31/82	49,267
03/31/83	49,227
03/31/84	50,370
03/31/85	51,546
03/31/86	52,914
03/31/87	55,746
03/31/88	56,888
03/31/89	56,929
03/31/90	55,988
03/31/91	55,886
03/31/92	55,808
03/31/93	55,930
03/31/94	51,498
03/31/95	49,198
03/31/96	47,209
03/31/97	45,581

number of sigs and member-to-member services

	Total	(SIGs/Services)
09/65	2	
07/74	11	
01/75	15	
07/75	17	
01/76	23	
07/76	58	
01/77	106	
07/77	118	(116/2)
01/78	142	(139/3)
07/78	167	(164/3)
01/79	194	(191/3)
07/79	212	(208/4)
01/80	224	(220/4)
07/80	201	(196/5)
01/81	213	(208/5)
07/81	169	(164/5)
01/82	165	(160/5)
07/82	170	(165/5)
01/83	176	(172/4)
09/83	160	(156/4)
03/84	120	(118/2)
09/84	144	(141/3)
03/85	148	(146/2)
09/85	182	(181/1)
03/86	174	(173/1)
09/86	175	(160/15)
03/87	189	(175/14)
09/87	171	(157/14)
03/88	198	(185/13)
09/88	164	(152/12)
03/89	167	(153/14)
09/89	184	(169/15)
03/90	189	(174/15)
09/90	183	(166/17)
03/91	191	(173/18)
09/91	195	(177/18)
03/92	184	(171/13)
09/92	180	(165/15)
03/93	177	(165/12)
09/93	176	(162/14)
03/94	176	(159/17)
09/94	172	(156/16)
03/95	173	
09/95	172	
03/96	146	
09/96	155	
03/97	150	
09/97	144	

dues history

01/01/60 - 12/31/61	$3.00* +
01/01/62 - 06/30/65	5.00*
07/01/65 - 07/31/68	7.50*
08/01/68 - 03/31/72	10.00*
04/01/72 - 03/31/78	15.00**
04/01/78 - 03/31/82	20.00
04/01/82 - 03/31/85	30.00
04/01/85 - 03/31/89	33.00
04/01/89 - 03/31/91	36.00
04/01/91 - 03/31/93	39.00
04/01/93 -	45.00

* Payable on anniversary of joining.
\+ Processed through London, England.
** Uniform renewal date of April 1 established, effective 04/01/72.

early sigs: a brief history

Official recognition of SIGs began on September 13, 1965, when the AMC recognized the first two SIGs: The Gifted Children Study Group, under Lloyd V. ("Gunner") Rogers of San Francisco; and the Mensa Investment Club, under Executive Officer Morris Perlmutter and Treasurer Irving A. Cohen. The Mensa Duplicate Bridge Club was recognized as a SIG on May 2, 1966.

In December 1966, SIG status was denied to a group called SIGRIM (Special Interest Group for Reform in Mensa). The SIG policy in effect at that time was contained in Section XII of the Bylaws. SIGRIM continued to "operate" for several years anyway.

Mensa Friends, a group involved with corresponding with and otherwise assisting incarcerated Mensans, was started by Paul Mason of Illinois, was recognized in May 1968 and was further

developed by Nancy Berk, Ken Adelberg and others. In October 1969, Sander Rubin proposed criteria and guidelines for the formation of SIGs. Pen Mensa, a pen-pal organization, was started by Bernie Sussman in May 1972, and was subsequently popularized by S. Gail Skvarenina.

At the 1973 Annual Gathering, 8 national SIGs had information tables: SIGHT, Mensa College, Radio Mensa, Pen Mensa, Fly SIG, Espermensa, Philatelists & Numismatists, and Oenology. By 1975, there were a number of SIGs: Postal Diplomacy, Isolated-Ms, Investment Club, Libertarian SIG, LocSec SIG, Mensa Friends, Call-an-M, Radio Mensa, Tape Bank, PenMensa, Scrabble-by-Mail, Postal Chess, Esperanto, Military Mensa, Medical Mensa, Gifted Children, Aqua SIG, Siamcor, Young Ms, a Mensa Christian Group, and SIGHT.

Under the strong leadership of Groups Officer Virginia Hourigan, the SIG Program really took off from 1975 to 1977, expanding almost ten-fold in two years. Following a few more years of steady growth (to a high of 248 in June 1980), the total number of SIGs (and Services) has generally remained in the 150 to 190 range since 1981.

The AMC adopted a formal SIGs Policy in 1984. This policy has been revised several times since then.Member-to-Member Services were officially added in 1986. In 1995, however, the Services were returned to SIG status, without being distinguished as "Member-to-Member Services."

u.s. mensa's incorporation

American Mensa was first incorporated on June 25, 1965, as "a non-profit educational corporation chartered by the University of the State of New York."

Subsequently, American Mensa Limited was incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of New York State on February 10, 1971.

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a sampling of well-known mensans (past and present)

Scott Adams	cartoonist - "Dilbert"
Tandyn Almer	songwriter - "Along Comes Mary"
Peter Asher	music & TV performer/producer - "Peter" of Peter and Gordon
Dr. Isaac Asimov	scientist & prolific author - "The Foundation Trilogy," etc.
Jean Auel	author - "Clan of the Cave Bear," etc.
F. Lee Bailey	celebrity defense attorney - Boston Strangler, Sam Sheppard, O.J. trials
John Ball	author - "Mr. Tibbs" books
Melvin Belli	celebrity attorney - "King of Torts" - Jack Ruby defense, etc.
Lisa Berroia	Miss Philippines, circa 1993
Theodore Bikel	actor and folksinger - "Fiddler on the Roof," etc.
Terry Black	movie/TV scriptwriter - ACE Award winner
Richard Bolles	author - "What Color is Your Parachute" books
Ashleigh Brilliant	humorist/author - "Pot Shots"
Tony Buzan	psychologist; author - "Use Your Head" book & (British) TV series
Leslie Charteris	author - "The Saint" books
Gretchen Christopher	singer/songwriter - Fleetwoods ("Come Softly to Me")
Arthur C. Clarke	science fiction author
Paul Craft	songwriter/singer - "Drop-Kick Me, Jesus, Through the Goalposts of Life"
Adrian Cronauer	journalist - "Good Morning, Vietnam!"
Bobby Czyz	boxer - champion in several weight classes; heavyweight contender
Geena Davis	Oscar-winning actress - "Thelma & Louise," etc.
Dr. Albert Ellis	psychotherapist/author - emotional therapy pioneer; "Sex Without Guilt"
Harlan Ellison	science fiction author
Prof. Hans Eysenck	psychologist and author - expert on IQ and testing
Jim Fixx	author and long-distance runner

Edith Fowke	Canadian folklorist
R. Buckminster Fuller	inventor/futurist/designer - geodesic dome, Dymaxion car, etc.
Dr. Robert Graham	scientist - "Nobel Sperm Bank"
Wayne Green	publishing magnate; one-time U.S. Vice-Presidential candidate
Marvin Grosswirth	author and raconteur
Maj. Chris Hadfield	Space Shuttle astronaut
Rt. Hon. Jeremy Hanley	Member of British Parliament
Adm. Grace Hopper	computer pioneer - developed COBOL, helped design UNIVAC I
John Hoskin	BBC broadcaster and journalist
Prince Joli Kansil	backgammon expert
Larry Lash	record producer
Mell Lazarus	cartoonist - "Miss Peach" & "Momma"
Richard Lederer	author - "Anguished English," etc.
Janusz Majewski	film director; president of Polish Film Institute
Henry Milligan	boxer
Judge Ellen Morphonios	celebrity judge - "Maximum Morphonios"
Warren Murphy	author - "Remo Williams" stories
Wubbo Ockels	Space Shuttle (Challenger) astronaut
Adam Osborne	computer pioneer
Donald Peterson	Retired CEO of Ford Motor Co.
Julie Peterson	"Playboy" Playmate - Miss February, 1987
James "The Amazing" Randi	magician; escape artist; skeptic
Alan Rachins	actor - "L.A. Law," etc.
Philip Rosenblatt	inventor of mylar
Dr. Abbie Salny	psychologist; author of Mensa Quiz books; IQ testing expert
Marilyn vos Savant	author/columnist - "Ask Marilyn"
Sir Jimmy Savile	popular British TV entertainer
Victor Serebriakoff	author and Mensa legend
Sir Clive Sinclair	computer pioneer
Bob Speca, Jr.	domino king
Jay van Andel	founder & CEO of Amway
Lancelot L. Ware, O.B.E.	Mensa "fons et origo"
John Whittingdale, O.B.E.	Member of British Parliament
William Windom	movie/TV actor - "Murder She Wrote," etc.
P.K. Young	Malaysian industrialist and banker

odds and ends

Unconfirmed reports indicate that the TV show "Get Smart" used the original Mensa mailing address (P.O. Box 86) for agent Maxwell Smart's number (agent 86).

The first woman in America to join Mensa was Judy Dickstein (later Kuch), who joined in April 1960 and was one of the first 20 Mensans in the U.S. Valerie Gerry had joined in England in 1959, but moved to the U.S. after Judy joined. On a March 1962 membership listing, four women are shown as having joined in May 1960: Quenby Sameth (Alabama), Virginia Londner (N.Y.), Karen Walowit (N.Y.) and Lyn Simonds (Mass.). E. Jimmee Stein of New York, another one of the first 20 Mensans in the U.S., joined in June 1960 and holds the distinction of being the woman with the longest continuous membership in U.S. Mensa.

Until 1996, the record for the longest continuous membership in American Mensa belonged to Mr. C. Ronald Bechtle of Maine, the fledgling AMC's first Treasurer. His membership number was #1000003, and he was a member continuously from May 1960

to March 1996. As of July, 1997, the co-record holders in this category are Theodore "Ted" Wilentz of Maryland (member #1000005), and E. Jimmee Stein of New York (member #1000011), both of whom joined in June 1960. As far as we can tell, the record for the longest continuous membership in Mensa belongs to Victor Serebriakoff. He has been a member continuously for over 47 years (since January 1950).

The first American-processed Mensan was Prof. Harold Gosling of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, on January 8, 1962. Several others were processed in January 1962, as well.

Early publicity included an article entitled "The High-IQ Frat" in the August 16, 1963 issue of *Life Magazine.* The article was written by a reporter who attended the 1963 Annual Gathering in New York. Her name was Shana Alexander, later to become prominent in TV journalism.

In September 1963, American Mensa founder Peter Sturgeon and his wife Ines appeared on WABC's "Who Do You Trust?" and won the grand prize of $500. Since then, appearing on TV game shows has become a Mensa tradition. There have been more than 30 Mensans who have appeared on "Jeopardy!" for example, a number of whom won. There have been at least three four or five-day champions, and at least two Tournament of Champions participants. "Wheel of Fortune," "Password," "Concentration" and ""G.E. College Bowl" are among the many other game shows that have featured Mensa members.

The record for the most Mensa meetings at the same location appears to be held by Boston Mensa, with over 750 meetings at Cronin's Restaurant in Cambridge, Mass. from April 8, 1965 through 1980.

The predecessor of today's *Mensa Register* was created by Mensa co-founder Roland Berrill in April 1948. The small booklet was entitled "Common Interests & Unique Skills" and was edited by John Henry Parker. A second edition was published in March 1949. In the United States, the *Mensa Register* had an ancestor called the "Interest Index." It was published in 1964 and was created and edited by Brian Heald.

Roland Berrill was also responsible for establishing the Monthly Dinners and the Annual Gathering, both of which remain major elements of Mensa life for many members.

The forerunner of today's regional gatherings was the Mensa Residential Conference, first held October 2-5, 1959, at Brazier's Park, Ipsden, Oxfordshire (England). About 30 Mensans attended.

The first Regional Gathering in the United States was the Heart of America Regional Gathering, which was held from October 23-25, 1964. Forty people attended: 17 Kansas City Mensans, 8 other Mensans and 15 guests.

The longest running gathering in the U.S. is "Asilomar," held annually around Labor Day Weekend since September 1965.

It is not known who holds the record for the most U.S. gatherings attended. I expect that the record-holder has attended over 300 gatherings, as I know of several Ms who have attended over 200. Margot Seitelman attended 25 AGs from 1963 through 1988, missing only the 1969 AG in San Francisco (she had not overcome her fear of flying at the time). Somebody may have now topped that record for AG attendance.

An approved motion from the IGC meeting of August 23, 1981: "That the Mensa Congress Waltz be recognized officially by the IGC as the Mensa Waltz."

The practice of accepting prior evidence (i.e., allowing membership in Mensa without administering a test) began in American Mensa on March 22, 1961.

The first known crossword puzzle appearance of "Mensa" was in the *New York Times* crossword of November 25, 1967. It was defined as "Club for brainy ones."

The "My First Time" buttons now seen everywhere throughout Mensa, were created by Al Potter of Chicago and Isolated-M editor Harper Fowley, following the 1977 Annual Gathering. They had overheard first-timers complaining that others tended to socialize only with their friends and decided that the "first time" buttons would help the newcomers mix with the old-timers.

The term "Mensa" has meant something other than "table." In Mexico, the word denotes a "foolish (or

stupid) old woman." In Ethiopia, it is the name of a small matriarchal native tribe. In Switzerland, it was once the registered trademark of a product familiar to all adult Swiss females. There was also once a couple of organizations with "Mensa" in their names, including the Societé de Manutention et Navigation Mensa S.A., and the Societé Katag Fiduciaria per le mensa collettive a Lucerna.

In his book, *Mensa: The Society for the Highly Intelligent*, Victor Serebriakof relates the following: In 1950, Roland Berrill distributed to each member a glazed tile, which was to be set into the member's hearth. The tiles bore the orginal "dread symbol of the three conspiring Klansters" and were of a non-standard size. Berrill intended them to be "secret signs to be seen and understood only by the observant eyes of the cognoscenti." Few of these tiles were ever installed.

Only one person has ever been formally expelled from American Mensa. Thomas William Hamilton was notified of his expulsion (effective February 14, 1976) in a letter dated February 20, 1976 from AMC Chairman Charles M. Fallon. The background of and the reasons behind this action are extensive, complex and not an appropriate topic for this compilation. Nevertheless, I have been asked so many times whether anyone has ever been kicked out of Mensa (and if so, who), that I decided to add those basic facts to this edition.

Mr. Hamilton's expulsion from Mensa was the culmination of many years of trouble, including a two-year suspension from American Mensa imposed on January 8, 1968. However, he was subsequently readmitted by International Mensa as an International Member, and even held an appointed International office for some time. An interesting side note is that after the suspension, Mr. Hamilton returned to attending AMC meetings (as proxy for other members); during the May 8, 1972 meeting, Tom Hamilton presided in the chair of the meeting for seven minutes, from 9:15 to 9:22 P.M.

It is also interesting to note that in 1966, Tom Hamilton became the first person since 1818 to be charged with violating a New York State statute prohibiting public dueling. The following account appeared in an article in the June 1968 edition of the *Mensa Bulletin*, written by "Echo III," otherwise known as (Tom's friend) Ivan Robinson:

For Tom, 1966 opened with l'Affaire Narzymski, an auspicious start to a year full of surprises and effort. Miffed at seeing his girl friend - 'Dayton's Gift to the World' - attending a New York Mensa meeting with 6-foot-2 inch, 210 pound, Polish born George Narzymski, he issued a challenge to a duel. The *New York Daily News* takes up the story:

"Allegedly acting on advice of an attorney, Hamilton disdained the mails and sent a note to Narzymski.

'I have the honor to inform you that because of the affront and grave insult which you deliberately inflicted on me on Jan. 21, I am challenging you,' Hamilton led off, getting right to the issue.

He then identified his second and asked Narzymski to have his second contact him in three weeks or 'I shall take full steps to inform all persons who observed the incident and tell them that you are, besides being a worthless boor, a coward.'

In keeping with time-honored practice, Hamilton informed his adversary he had the choice of weapons. Lest Narzymski become careless, however, Hamilton informed him he had studied fencing and foil with 'two Olympic torchers, G. Santelli and I. De-Koff.'

Wrote Hamilton: 'I also have an expert rating with the M-1 rifle and marksman rating with the old Enfield and have been an instructor in the National Rifle Association with the .22.'

Hamilton casually mentioned he had done great work with carbines and the .45 and confided: 'I have a judo belt of a color which signifies mourning in some lands and I am perfectly willing to meet you in such combat, even Tennessee rules (hillbilly style).'

Noting that there was now only room on this mortal soil for one of them, Hamilton urged the choice of a lethal weapon.

He said as challenger he was setting the time of 1 P.M. Sunday, Feb. 20, and would designate a place convenient to Narzymski.

If Hamilton was trying to scare Narzymski, as he was later quoted by Detective Young, he succeeded admirably. Narzymski rushed right off to the police.

Dusting off a law prohibiting a challenge to a duel or sending a verbal or written message inviting combat with a deadly weapon, cops of W. 126th St. station booked Hamilton, a blond 5-foot-8, 140-pound outraged highbrow.

Hamilton told Detective Young he was only trying to keep Narzymski away from his girl."

When the case was heard, Judge Mitchell J. Sherwin of New York's Criminal Court ordered Tom to Bellevue's psychiatric hospital, concluding his duel challenge rendered him, in the language of the law, 'in such a state of idiocy, imbecility or insanity as to be incapable of understanding the charges or making his defence.' The *Herald Tribune* reported Tom's strategy on release (after four interesting days with the Capeman and a homicidal Oriental) as magnificent, though tentative, and '. . . wholly worthy of the 150-plus IQ that accords him membership in Mensa, the well-known genius club.' It went on:

"Smiling nervously outside the psychiatric wards yesterday, Mr. Hamilton, released on a writ of habeas corpus pending Criminal Court arraignment on Feb. 25, said he had 'obviously' been held illegally.

Then he outlined what he said may be his next move. The challenge to duel Mr. Narzymski, a 30-year old engineer . . . had been, of course, a joke all along, said Mr. Hamilton. And in going to the police after receiving the challenge, Narzymski was quite obviously extending the joke, Mr. Hamilton said.

'I gave him a choice of weapons,' said Mr. Hamilton, 'and he apparently has selected judges and lawyers. Now the archaic and I'm sure unconstitutional law I was arrested under (challenging to a duel, a felony) also makes it a felony to be a witness to a duel. When I go to court Feb. 25, every one in it will therefore be committing a felony, and I just may place the judge, the lawyers and every one else under civil arrest.'

As he spoke, his lawyer, Eugene J. Moran . . . fidgeted. 'No,' said Mr. Moran, clearing his throat. 'What it is, in a felony you have to show malicious intent. There was no malicious intent here. It was all a joke. Everybody knows that.'

'That's right,' said Mr. Hamilton, 'What I had in mind was custard pies, water pistols, you know, something like that. One friend wanted it to be lances on a bicycle, though frankly I sometimes wonder about him.'

As for his stay in Bellevue, Mr. Hamilton said he was 'oh, yes, quite surprised I was sent here,' but that it turned out 'enormously interesting. I had some nice conversations with the Capeman, that boy who killed a couple of people a few years ago, and a very interesting Chinese man who carved somebody up and tried to flush the body down a toilet and then complained to the superintendent because the head wouldn't fit.'

Mr. Hamilton was in apparent high humor as he left for home, but others elsewhere were less inclined to laugh.

At Mensa headquarters, 50 E. 42nd St., yesterday, John Codella, American chairman of the international organization open only to people with an IQ of 150 or higher, lamented the whole incident and said it was 'tragic' that Mensa's name (Latin for 'table,' in this case round table) had been brought up by Mr. Hamilton."

Despite Codella's foreboding, there was a flood of applicants to take the test. Those who read the press reports saw Mensa as a 'real fun organization,' while others hoped to have a chat with the homicidal Oriental, if not with Thomas Wm. Hamilton himself.

american mensa headquarters

Prior to the hiring of Margot Seitelman in November 1961, all correspondence relating to "American Mensa" was simply sent to Peter Sturgeon. From November 1961, when she was hired as the American Mensa Selection Agency (AMSA), until April 1975, when an office suite was finally leased in her apartment building (Suite 1-R), Margot Seitelman ran American Mensa from her apartment at 1701 West 3rd Street, Brooklyn, NY.

For legal purposes, American Mensa maintained a separate mailing address during the early 1960's. This address, which appeared on numerous brochures, was 50 East 42nd Street, New York 17, New York (10017), and was the office address of Public Relations Officer John Codella.

Following are the mailing addresses used for AMSA and for American Mensa's "national office."

11/61 to 01/68:
P.O. Box 86, Gravesend Station,
Brooklyn 23, New York (11223)
01/68 to 03/09/86:
1701 West 3rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11223
03/10/86 to 02/21/95:
2626 East 14th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11235
02/22/95 to date:
Suite 1101, Texas Commerce Tower, 201 Main Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102.

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your membership number - the secret is revealed !!!

(Reprint - with minor revisions - of an article written by the author in 1992 for publication in *InterLoc* and *Isolated-M*)

Dear Historian: What does my membership number mean? - (signed) Curious.

Dear Curious: Funny you should ask. Many others have asked that question over the years. The answers have varied; even Margot once wrote that the membership number had no meaning. Well . . .

. . . that was true, up until 1980. Several different data processing companies and/or methods have been utilized in the maintenance of membership records. Each of these involved a different format for identifying a particular member. Members who first joined in the 1960's have had at least 4 different membership numbers over the years, none of them bearing any real resemblance to the others. Up until 1980, none of these numbers revealed anything in particular about the member to whom it was assigned.

However, the membership system set up in 1980 (at the time "The Computer" was first installed in the national office in Brooklyn), does reveal when most members joined Mensa. Here's how it works; but don't tell anyone (it's a deep dark secret) !

When the conversion of membership records took place in mid-1980, the "join dates," by month and year, of all current members were used to assign membership numbers in numerical order. When more than one member had joined during a particular month, the numbers appear to have been assigned alphabetically within that month. In other words, the member who, as of 1980, had joined Mensa the earliest (early 1959, in England) was assigned number 1000001. *[All numbers begin with "1." This convention was required by the software in place at that time in order to maintain the 7-digit length of the membership number.]* In 1995, the lowest number among the then current members was 1000003, belonging to C. Ronald Bechtle, Jr. (American Mensa's first Treasurer), who joined in May 1960. As of July 1997, the lowest number among current members is 1000004, belonging to Dr. Irving "Jack" Good. He originally joined in 1960, lapsed, then rejoined in 1963. As of July 1997, there were 40 members with membership numbers under 1000100.

Some members had joined prior to mid-1980, but were not current members at the time of record conversion (they had died, lapsed or quit). If they later rejoined, they were assigned a number reflecting the date they rejoined. As a result, many old-time members have relatively recent membership numbers if their membership had lapsed at the time the records were converted.

In addition, the recent conversion from the HP system to the PC-based system created a new animal: the 9-digit membership number. These resulted from

manual re-keying during the conversion process (for existing records) and for newly entered records. The sequencing of these numbers has no definitive connection to the individual's join date.

So, where do you fit in? The following chart shows the month & year of joining which correspond to the membership numbers indicated. Interpolation will provide a reasonable estimate for numbers in between those shown:

1000100	09/62	1070000	02/82
1000500	06/64	1075000	09/82
1001000	12/64	1080000	04/83
1002500	07/66	1085000	11/83
1005000	09/69	1090000	07/84
1010000	04/73	1095000	05/85
1015000	12/74	1100000	01/86
1020000	03/76	1105000	07/86
1025000	05/77	1110000	02/87
1030000	01/78	1115000	11/87
1035000	09/78	1120000	10/88
1040000	06/79	1125000	09/89
1045000	11/79	1130000	12/90
1050000	04/80	1135000	11/91
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1060000	11/80	1145000	10/93
1065000	06/81	1150000	01/95

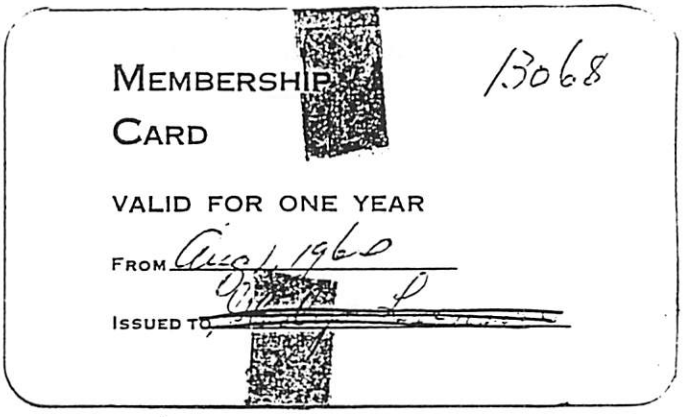
Based on this chart, one can see that there have been more than 150,000 members of American Mensa, not counting those who belonged prior to 1980 and either quit before 1980 (and never rejoined) or who passed away prior to 1980. I estimate that well over 225,000 people have belonged to American Mensa at one time or another since 1960.

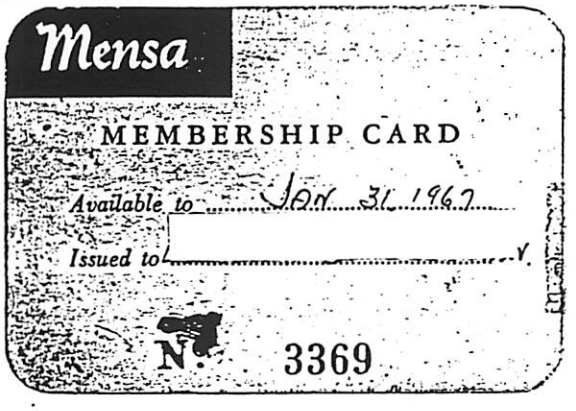
How many old-time members are still around? Well, as of July 1997, there were still 8 members who had joined in 1960, 10 from 1961, 59 from 1962, 77 from 1963, 379 from 1964, and 437 from 1965.

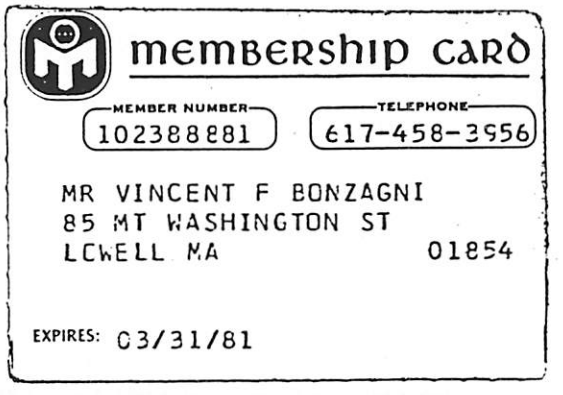
So now you know.

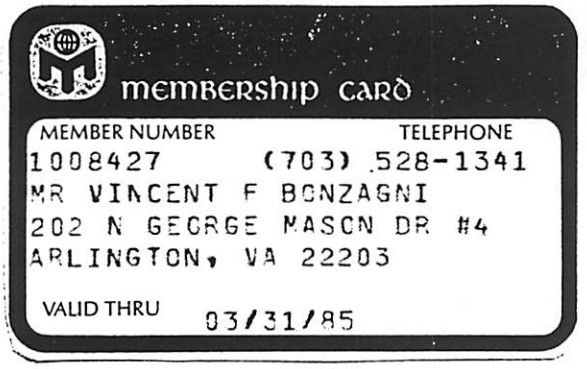
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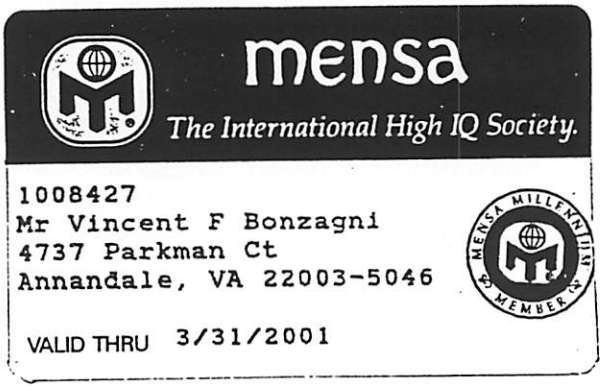
membership cards - through the years













the 218th village square

the column of lasting insignificance

by John Wilcock

SALE•••ALL THIS WEEK•••SALE•••ALL THIS WEEK
man's wristwatch: $22 only
(next week it'll be $21)

About Mensa (I)

I have just mailed off my application form to an organization so exclusive that "only those who have achieved a high score on an intelligence test are eligible for membership." The society is called Mensa and has 850 members, most of them in Britain, which is where it conducts its business and holds most of its meetings.

"The atmosphere at a meeting is of a kind seldom found outside the universities; tolerant, witty, ribald or solemn, always good humored yet often profound. There is no need for the tentative preliminaries which the intelligent person must normally go through in order to assess the mental level of a new acquaintance; the newcomer can embark on discussion of any subject with the assurance that his hearer will understand the points he makes and know when they are proved."

So says Mensa's campaign literature, which goes on to explain the many other activities and facilities available to members — a monthly magazine, a comprehensive dossier on fellow-members, an annual conference, monthly dinners, "a theatre party, a bottle party, or a river picnic."

That river picnic sounds enticing, but assuming that the river in question is the Thames, I doubt if I could make it most week-ends. Mensa does conduct a certain amount of its business by mail, however, and doubtless I'll be able to help with the research in psychology and social science which is avowedly one of its aims.

And there are other advantages: "Besides being the occasion of many new friendships, it provides its members with a receptive and critical audience before which to try out their new ideas and has often revealed to them both latent gifts and unsuspected opportunities."

There is one catch that I've barely mentioned: "Every applicant for membership will be sent a preliminary intelligence test. If it appears from this test that the applicant has a high enough intelligence quotient to be eligible, he is subject to another test under supervised conditions, which will be decisive."

At the time of this, my first report to you on the subject, I am awaiting the arrival of the preliminary intelligence test.

HAIKU AKU
Kon-Tiki sold well
This one is selling better
What will Thor write next?

—Hugh Paulk



John Wilcock, c.1990



the 221st village square

the column of sophomoric inanity

by John Wilcock

NON-CONFORMIST

Some people have no
Sense of meter. When they start
Something sometimes they don't know just when to stop.

—Hugh Paulk

About Mensa (II)

In an adventurous mood last month, I applied to join Mensa, a society that is so exclusive that potential members must pass an intelligence test before being accepted (VSq., February 10). A few days later I received the preliminary test, a Cattell Intelligence Test, and fared as well as I could filling gaps in sentences, matching shapes, eliminating odd words from groups (*e. g.*, page, word, brick, *table*, musical note), and solving puzzles in reasoning.

(A man bought a horse for $20 and paid for it with a $30 check. The dealer got it changed by a storekeeper and gave the buyer $10 change. The check later bounced, so the dealer refunded the storekeeper's money. The horse had originally cost the dealer $10. What was his total loss?)

Last week's mail brought from Mensa an evaluation of my test. "On this evidence," wrote secretary Victor Serebriakoff, "your intelligence quotient appears to be 143. Put more simply, your score is higher than that of 96 per cent of the population. While these figures are above average, they are unfortunately not up to the very high level we are looking for in our panel."

With the letter came a printed sheet of information about intelligence tests in general and instructions on converting one's Cattell I. Q. into the more familiar revised Binet I. Q. (my Binet would be 128.7). There is also a final note from Mensa explaining that the society's lowest acceptance figure is I. Q. 155 on the Cattell scale (about 136 on the Binet or Wechsler).

This very high rating, by the way, represents only about 1 per cent of the population. But if you think you're in that select group and you want to apply for membership, Mensa's address is M. S. A., Sandringham, Briscot Road, Rainham, Essex, England.

section 5

meetings and gatherings



Regional and other Gatherings in American Mensa

Introduction and explanations

This section begins with listings of (1) AMC meetings, (2) Colloquia, and (3) American Mensa Annual Gatherings. Following these listings is a compilation of Regional and other American Mensa gatherings from 1964 through 1987, in chronological order. Okay, okay . . . so some of these are probably missing. But most of 'em are here. Please let me know if I've omitted one of your favorites.

Let me stress that the compilation of regional gatherings is not intended to be comprehensive. After the previous edition was published, I sought assistance from local groups in an attempt to "flesh out" the missing data, but my cries for help went unanswered. Also, to conserve space, I have eliminated the more recent gatherings from this compilation (the post-1987 data remains in my database, however, and can be accessed if the need arises). Thus, the listing probably contains many errors and oversights. I was also limited by the accuracy of the information in my sources, primarily the *Mensa Bulletin* and *InterLoc*. So, I'll repeat my plea - I welcome any corrections and additions to this data; it won't get much more complete without YOUR help. Thanks.

In order to cram as much information as I could in as few pages as possible, I have abbreviated copiously and have shortened gathering and hotel names occasionally. Some abbreviations are "Co." for County, "Pk." for Park, "Cmte." for Committee and "Ctr." for Center.

Abbreviations used for group names are:

BTTL SIG	Back-to-the-Land SIG
C/BR	Charlotte/Blue Ridge Mensa
CNJ	Central New Jersey Mensa
CNY	Central New York Mensa
CT & W. MA	Connecticut & Western Massachusetts Mensa
DVM	Delaware Valley Mensa
GLAAM	Greater Los Angeles Area Mensa
GNYM	Greater New York Mensa
MWM	Metropolitan Washington Mensa
NCNJ	North Central New Jersey Mensa
NNJ	Northern New Jersey Mensa
NTM	North Texas Mensa
SCAM	Space Coast Area Mensa
SEMM	Southeast Michigan Mensa
SFRM	San Francisco Regional Mensa
SW by S Florida	Southwest by South Florida Mensa

Codes for the TYPE of gathering (first column) are:

R	Regional Gathering
CP	Camping/Outdoors-type gathering
CU	Cultural Gathering
M	Mini Regional Gathering
S	National SIG gathering
RC	Regional Colloquium
W	Weekend Conference
Y	Young M gatherings / Future G's

Codes for the contact person's title (last column) are:

c = chair or co-chair; r = registrar; o = other; u = unknown

Now, what about all those numbers? Here's what they all mean:

REG: In dollars, the individual at-the-door (or latest) registration fee for the event. If blank: no information available, or registration fee may be included as part of the package price.

MEALS: Three positions -
First position is Y, N or blank. Y = meal plan available; N = no meal plan; blank means no data is available.

Second position is the number of meals provided. Sometimes, one or more meals are provided free of charge with registration - these are not normally counted here. If blank, no meals offered or no data is available.

Third position is the cost, in dollars, of the meal plan. If "0," cost is included in the package price, or as part of the registration fee or lodging costs.

S: In dollars, the lodging rate for one person per night, excluding tax. If blank, no info available (or see P1).

D: In dollars, the lodging rate for two persons (double occupancy) per night, excluding tax. If blank, no info was available (or see P2).

P1: Package price in dollars for one person - usually includes registration, meals and lodging for the event.

P2: Package price in dollars for two persons (double occupancy) - same as above.

ATT: Approximate number of attendees, when known.

Note: In all cases, when there were choices or options with different prices, I recorded the higher or highest amount.

amc meetings

From July 1965 through June 1975, the AMC (or NAMC) usually met on a monthly basis in New York City, on the first Monday of each month. Early meetings were closed to observers. Most non-N.Y. AMC members had proxies who attended and voted in their stead. All of the early AMC chairmen were from New York and environs, making N.Y.C. the obvious choice for monthly committee meetings. Other locations for meetings included Vienna, VA (8/73), Boston, MA (several, including 8/74) and Philadelphia, PA. In 1975, the AMC decided that its meetings (and its members) should be made available to as much of the general membership as possible, by moving the meetings around the country (and reducing the frequency to quarterly). This would also allow all of the members to personally attend each meeting, eliminating the need for the troublesome "proxy" policy. The new meeting policy commenced in July 1975, the same month that Charlie Fallon (from Chicago) took office as AMC Chairman.

The record for the longest AMC meeting, to the best of our knowledge, is the March 24-25, 1990 meeting in Boston. It was called to order at 8 A.M. on March 24; there were the normal lunch and dinner breaks; and the meeting finally adjourned at 12:52 A.M. on March 25th. I know - I sat there as an observer for the entire duration!

As far as we can tell, the shortest Annual Business Meeting of American Mensa took place on July 7, 1996, in Houston, Texas. The meeting lasted only 1 hour, 20 minutes.

The following listing excludes AMC meetings held at Annual Gatherings:

Location	Date(s)
Chicago, IL	07/19/75
Atlanta, GA (RG)	10/04/75
Santa Barbara, CA (RG)	02/14 - 02/16/76
Detroit, MI	05/22/76
Kansas City, MO (RG)	09/17 - 09/19/76
Boston, MA	120/4/76
Louisville, KY (RG)	03/18 - 03/20/77
Houston, TX	05/21/77
Washington, D.C. (RG)	09/16 - 09/18/77
Los Angeles, CA	12/03/77
Chicago, IL	03/04/78
New Orleans, LA (RG)	05/05 - 05/07/78
Minneapolis, MN (RG)	08/25 - 08/27/78
Portland, OR (RG)	11/03 - 11/05/78
Louisville, KY (RG)	03/09 - 03/11/79
New York, NY (RG)	05/25 - 05/28/79
San Francisco, CA	07/21/79
El Paso, TX (RG)	11/16 - 11/18/79
Los Angeles, CA (RG)	01/18 - 01/20/80
Charlotte, NC (RG) (IGC)	05/02 - 05/04/80
Huntsville, AL (RG)	08/15 - 08/17/80
Scottsdale, AZ (RG)	11/28 - 11/30/80
Baltimore, MD (RG) (IGC)	02/20 - 02/22/81
San Diego, CA (RG)	05/22 - 05/25/81
Milwaukee, WI (RG)	08/28 - 08/30/81
Fort Myers, FL (Sanibel Island) (RG)	12/04 - 12/06/81
San Antonio, TX (RG)	03/05 - 03/07/82
New York, NY (RG)	08/06 - 08/08/82
Seattle, WA (RG)	11/12 - 11/14/82
Ann Arbor, MI (RG)	03/25 - 03/27/83
Denver, CO (RG)	08/12 - 08/14/83
Hartford, CT (RG)	11/11 - 11/13/83
St. Louis, MO (RG)	03/30 - 04/01/84
Syracuse, NY (RG)	08/03 - 08/05/84
Irvine, CA (Cultural Gathering)	11/09 - 11/11/84
Knoxville, TN (RG)	03/29 - 03/31/85
Pittsburgh, PA	08/24/85
Sacramento, CA (RG)	11/01 - 11/03/85
Dallas, TX (mini RG)	03/22/86
Minneapolis, MN (RG)	09/05 - 09/07/86
Louisville, KY (Colloquium)	11/14 - 11/16/86
Princeton, NJ (RG)	03/27 - 03/29/87
Salt Lake City, UT (RG)	09/11 - 09/13/87
Overland Park, KS (RG)	12/04 - 12/06/87
Orlando, FL	03/26 - 03/27/88
Carmel, CA	09/10/88
Cincinnati, OH (RG)	12/09 - 12/11/88

Las Vegas, NV	04/01/89	Baltimore, MD	03/19/94
Seattle, WA (RG)	08/25 - 08/27/89	Minneapolis, MN (RG)	09/16 - 09/18/94
New Orleans, LA (RG)	12/08 - 12/10/89	Irving, TX	12/10/94
Boston, MA	03/24 - 03/25/90	Baltimore, MD (special)	02/18/95
Raleigh, NC (RG)	08/10 - 08/12/90	Birmingham, AL (RG)	03/10 - 03/12/95
San Antonio, TX (RG)	12/14 - 12/16/90	Fort Worth, TX	08/26 - 08/27/95
Denver, CO (RG)	04/05 - 04/07/91	Las Vegas, NV (RG)	12/15 - 12/17/95
Arlington, VA	08/03 - 08/04/91	Chicago (Lisle), IL	03/30/96
San Diego, CA (mini RG)	12/14 - 12/15/91	Columbus, OH	09/28/96
Fort Worth, TX (mini RG)	03/27 - 03/29/92	New Orleans, LA (RG)	12/13 - 12/15/96
Tualatin, OR (RG)	09/11 - 09/13/92	Denver, CO	04/04 - 04/06/97
Fort Lauderdale, FL (mini RG)	12/04 - 12/06/92	Fort Worth, TX	09/06/97
St. Louis, MO (RG)	03/26 - 03/28/93	Arlington, VA (RG)	12/05 - 12/07/97
Brookfield, WI (RG)	08/27 - 08/29/93	Kansas City, KS	03/27 - 03/29/98
Houston, TX	11/13/93	Anchorage, AK	09/98

national mensa colloquia

Gene McMahon was the editor of *Colloquy* ("Preludes to the First Mensa Annual Colloquium"), a small, glossy booklet which was published monthly from 04/82 to 09/82.

Date/Theme/Hotel	Attendance	Chair/City
10/29 - 10/31/82 "Forecasting a Valid Tomorrow: Destination A.D. 2000" Copley Plaza Hotel	(281)	Kay Grant Boston, MA
11/23 - 11/25/84 "The Gifted in Society" Scottsdale Conference Resort	(83)	Marilyn Rollins Phoenix, AZ
11/14 - 11/16/86 "The Impact of the Arts on Civilization" Seelbach Hotel	(226)	Rose Lee Crutcher Louisville, KY
10/07 - 10/09/88 "Science & Society: Our Critical Challenges" Capitol Marriott	(225)	Mike McCormick Austin, TX
05/18 - 05/20/90 "Gifted Children: Identification, Education and Nurturing: Where are we today? Where will we be tomorrow?" Ramada Hotel O'Hare	(118)	Russ Kratowicz Rosemont, IL
10/04 - 10/06/91 "The Politics of Politics" Marc Plaza	(111)	Marcy Hotz Milwaukee, WI
10/08 - 10/10/93 "Medicine in the 21st Century" Holiday Inn Center City	(100)	Steve Slepner Philadelphia, PA

american mensa annual gatherings

Year	City/State (Dates) "Name"/"Theme"	Hotel	(Attendance) Chairperson(s)	
1963	New York, NY (6/15 - 6/16)	Belmont Plaza Hotel	(160)	(1)
1964	New York, NY (6/19 - 6/21) "International AG"	Biltmore Hotel	(280) Brian Heald	
1965	New York, NY (6/18 - 6/20) "Alienation & Anomie"	Biltmore Hotel	(275) Larry Farber	
1966	New York, NY (6/17 - 6/19) "Patterns for Living in a Mass Society"	Biltmore Hotel	(250) Jules Singer	
1967	Montreal, Quebec (6/23 - 6/25)	Royal Embassy Hotel	(185) Brian Matthews	
1968	Tarrytown, NY (6/21 - 6/23)	Tarrytown House	(188) Stuart Friedman	
1969	San Francisco, CA (6/27 - 6/29)	Del Webb's Towne House	(250) Dick Ahrens	
1970	Philadelphia, PA (6/19 - 6/21) "The Uses of Intelligence in the Age of Aquarius"	Holiday Inn	(275) Arthur Gardner	
1971	Houston, TX (6/11 - 6/13)	Rice Hotel	(262) Kathy Hannah	
1972	Denver, CO (6/30 - 7/2)	Cosmopolitan Hotel	(225) Bettie Lee English	
1973	Louisville, KY (6/29 - 7/1) "Mental Resources"	The Galt House	(403) Agnes Livingood	
1974	Chicago, IL (6/21 - 6/23) "Intelligence - To Make a Difference"	Playboy Towers Hotel	(450) Charlie Fallon/Helen Kupper	
1975	San Antonio, TX (6/27 - 6/29)	St. Anthony Hotel	(500) Althea Ely	
1976	Valley Forge, PA (6/25 - 6/27) "Paths of Communication"	Sheraton-Valley Forge Hotel	(600) Robert Enters	
1977	San Diego, CA (6/23 - 6/26)	Town & Country Hotel	(785) Jim Bie	
1978	Cleveland, OH (6/22 - 6/25) "Potpourri"	Bond Court Hotel	(850) Sandra Murphy/June Randolph	
1979	Kansas City, MO (6/28 - 7/1) "KCAG-79"	Crown Center Hotel	(900) Charley Gay	
1980	San Francisco, CA (6/26 - 6/29) "Cable Car AG"	Hyatt Regency Embarcadero	(1050) Elna Tymes	
1981	Louisville, KY (6/24 - 6/28) "Derbytown AG"	The Galt House	(1125) Rose Lee Crutcher	

1982	Trenton, NJ "An Alternative Gathering"	(6/25 - 6/27)	Trenton State College	(690) Dave Remine
1983	Phoenix, AZ "AZAG"/"Frontiers Old & New"	(6/15 - 6/19)	Phoenix Hilton/Hyatt Regency	(850) Cindy Cielle
1984	Washington, DC "Capital AG"	(6/28 - 7/1)	Hyatt Regency Washington	(1368) Amy Shaughnessy/Mike Tuchman
1985	Milwaukee, WI "Silver Anniversary AG"	(6/20 - 6/23)	Red Carpet Inn	(700+) Tom Rademan
1986	New York, NY "Celebration '86"	(7/3 - 7/6)	Grand Hyatt Hotel	(~1800) (2)
1987	Dallas, TX "La Republica de Tejas"	(7/9 - 7/12)	Sheraton Park Central	(1322) Carol Hilson
1988	Montreal, Quebec* "Rendez-Vous '88"	(7/1 - 7/4)	Queen Elizabeth Hotel	(1684) Robert Lemay
1989	Atlanta, GA "Sunny South AG"	(6/28 - 7/2)	Radisson Hotel	(1171) Bambi Maxwell
1990	Anaheim, CA "California Dreaming"	(6/28 - 7/2)	Anaheim Marriott	(1481) Art Mattson
1991	Kansas City, MO "Heartland AG 91"	(6/26 - 6/30)	Hyatt Regency Crown Center	(969) Kim & Tony Jackowski
1992	San Francisco, CA "Pacific Annual Gathering"	(7/2 - 7/5)	Hyatt Regency (Airport)	(1501) Dick Amyx (3)
1993	Orlando, FL "AG Magic"	(7/1 - 7/4)	The Peabody Hotel	(~1100) Keith Proud
1994	Cambridge, MA* "NEAG"/"New World, New Ideas"	(6/30 - 7/5)	Hyatt Regency Cambridge	(1560) Gerry Riley & Donna Jadis
1995	St. Louis, MO "Spirit of St. Louis AG"	(7/5 - 7/9)	Adam's Mark Hotel	(1219) Barbara Ploegstra
1996	Houston, TX "Black Gold Blowout"	(7/3 - 7/7)	Hyatt Regency Downtown	(~1100) Richard Jones, Pat Spence, Deb Skinner
1997	Birmingham, AL "Southern Comforts AG"	(7/2 - 7/6)	Sheraton Civic Center	(1092) Steve & LeAnne Porter
1998	Cincinnati, OH "CDAG"/"The Buckeye Bonanza"	(7/1 - 7/5)	Omni Netherland Plaza Hotel	Mary Lee Kemper
1999	Orange County, CA			

* Joint U.S.-Canada AG

(1) The first AG did not have an "overall" chairperson, as we now use that term. Larry Farber handled arrangements, Rita Howes coordinated hospitality, John Codella handled publicity, and the New York Program Committee, chaired by Jules Singer, coordinated the activities. Margot Seitelman acted as Registrar for the gathering.

(2) There were four co-chairs: Constance Atman, Helen Mosley, Rosemary Dowling and Marlene Zimmerman.

(3) Replaced David Kirby as chair.

Regional and Other Gatherings in American Mensa

Type	Dates	Name	Group	Hotel or Site	City, State	Reg	Meals	S	D	P1	P2	Att	Contact	
R	10/23/64 - 10/25/64	Heart of America RG	KC Rustics	Aladdin Hotel	Kansas City, MO	15						40	Joe Middleton	u
R	4/30/65 - 5/2/65	Dayton Phylloquium	Ohio Mensa		Dayton, Ohio									
R	9/4/65 - 9/6/65	1st Annual Fall Conference	Monterey	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0			26	44	45	Susan Hoskins	o
W	9/10/65 - 9/11/65	First Weekend Conference	NY Mensa	Columbia University	New York, NY		N						Ruth Weine	u
W	12/3/65 - 12/4/65	Second Weekend Conference	NY Mensa	McBurney School	New York, NY	3	N						Tom Hamilton	r
R	9/16/66 - 9/18/66	Asilomar Mensa Conference	Monterey	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0			28	48		Julie Risdon	c
R	9/2/67 - 9/4/67	Asilomar III	Monterey	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Julie Risdon	c
R	10/6/67 - 10/8/67	Western States Mensa Convention		Stardust Hotel	Las Vegas, NV	8						81	George Appleton	c
R	8/31/68 - 9/2/68	Asilomar IV	SFRM	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0			24	42		Helen Brubaker	c
R	8/30/69 - 9/1/69	Asilomar V	SFRM	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Helen Brubaker	c
RC	7/3/70 - 7/5/70	Western Regional Conference	Oregon Mensa	Sheraton Motor Inn	Portland, OR	20	Y 2 0	12	15			51	Velma Jeremiah	c
R	9/5/70 - 9/7/70	Asilomar VI	GLAAM	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Henry & Bev Miller	c
R	7/30/71 - 8/1/71	Eastern RG	MWM	St. John's College	Annapolis, MD	50						35	Terry Kuch	c
R	9/4/71 - 9/6/71	Asilomar VII	GLAAM	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Henry & Bev Miller	c
R	10/8/71 - 10/10/71	Kentuckiana Mensa RG	Kentuckiana		Louisville, KY	12	Y 2 0						Mary Gehant	c
R	2/12/72 - 2/13/72	Western Regional Gathering		Stardust Hotel	Las Vegas, NV			15	17				George Appleton	c
R	9/2/72 - 9/4/72	Asilomar VIII	GLAAM	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Bill Besser	c
R	9/23/72 - 9/25/72	Indianapolis RG	Indianapolis	Holiday Inn	Indianapolis, IN								Loretta Levene	c
W	10/28/72 - 10/29/72	Eclectic Occultism	NY Mensa	City Squire Motor Inn	New York, NY		Y 0			58	116	160		
R	Fall 1972 -	Broward County Mensa's 1st RG	Broward		, FL							123	Mel Saunders	c
W	2/17/73 - 2/19/73	The Sexual Scene	NY Mensa	City Squire Motor Inn	New York, NY		Y 0			100	199		Gene Fox	r
R	2/17/73 - 2/19/73	Asilomar South '73	Channel Islands	Miramar Resort	Santa Barbara, CA		Y 0			50	60		C.W. Lee	c
R	3/30/73 - 4/1/73	Cincinnati RG	Cincinnati		Cincinnati, OH								Marian Young	c
R	9/1/73 - 9/3/73	Asilomar IX	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA	11	Y 0			34	58		Elna Tymes	c
R	9/14/73 - 9/15/73	North Carolina Regional	Piedmont		Linville, NC	3								
W	10/27/73 - 10/28/73	Second Annual Occult Weekend	NY Mensa		New York, NY							90	Sylvia Bartley	u
R	11/23/73 - 11/25/73	Midwest Regional Gathering	NTM		Dallas, TX								Joan Kollar	c
R	2/16/74 - 2/18/74	Asilomar South '74	Channel Islands	Miramar Resort	Santa Barbara, CA		Y 0					59	C.W. Lee	c
R	5/25/74 - 5/27/74	San Diego Southwest Mensa Bash	San Diego Mensa	Seven Seas Hyatt House	San Diego, CA	28	Y			50	90	50	Norm Pos	u
R	8/31/74 - 9/2/74	Asilomar X	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0			58	100	160	Elna Tymes	c
R	9/20/74 - 9/22/74	Northeastern Regional Gathering	Boston Mensa	(none)	Boston, MA	35	N						Gen Jones	u
R	2/7/75 - 2/9/75	Mensa Snow Ball	NCNJ	Lake Minnewaska	New Paltz, NY		Y 6 0			70	135	45	Jan Williams	r
R	2/15/75 - 2/17/75	Asilomar South '75	Channel Islands	Miramar Resort	Santa Barbara, CA	10	Y 0			60	100	80	C.W. Lee	c
R	3/14/75 - 3/16/75	Asilomar East	Kentuckiana	Marriott Inn	Clarksville, IN	15	Y 3 20	19	26			125	Harper Fowley	r
Y	3/24/75 - 3/26/75	Shalimar One	n/a	Pt. Reyes Nat'l Seashore	Point Reyes, CA	12							Lloyd Rogers	u
R	5/9/75 - 5/11/75	Rochester RG	Rochester	(none)	Rochester, NY		Y 4 0			30		100	Dick Hoppe	r
R	5/24/75 - 5/26/75	San Diego RG	San Diego Mensa	Seven Seas Hyatt Hotel	San Diego, CA		Y 4 0			60	112		Beth Pos	r
R	8/30/75 - 9/1/75	Asilomar XI	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0			58	100	200	Carol Cook	c

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R	10/3/75 - 10/5/75	Mensa World South *	Atlanta Mensa	Holiday Inn Downtown	Atlanta, GA	20	Y 3 19	18	27			114	Ed Oram	u
R	10/31/75 - 11/2/75	HalloweeM	Mensa of Illinois	Sheraton O'Hare	Rosemont, IL	20	Y 3 20	24	28			150	Jean Potter	r
R	11/14/75 - 11/15/75	All Ohio Meeting	Columbus Area	(none)	Columbus, OH	6	N					125		
R	2/6/76 - 2/8/76	Snowball '76	NCNJ	Lake Minnewaska	New Paltz, NY	13	Y 6 0	70	128			65	Jan Williams	r
R	2/14/76 - 2/16/76	Asilomar South '76*	Channel Islands	Miramar Resort	Santa Barbara, CA	10	Y 4 0			75	120	140	Frank Schipper	u
R	3/19/76 - 3/21/76	Bluegrass Regional	Kentuckiana	Marriott Inn	Clarksville, IN	25	Y 3 20	20	27			200	Harper Fowley	r
R	4/30/76 - 5/2/76	May Day Hey Day	Cleveland Area	Sheraton Hopkins	Cleveland, OH	25	Y 3 22	19	26			88	June Russell	u
R	5/28/76 - 5/30/76	San Diego RG (#6)	San Diego Mensa	Catamaran	San Diego, CA	5	Y 7 33	19	24			100	Janet Menscel	c
R	9/4/76 - 9/6/76	Asilomar XII	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 6 0			60	104	237	Samantha Fordyce	c
R	9/17/76 - 9/19/76	Heart of America RG*	Mid-America	Crown Center Hotel	Kansas City, MO	25	Y 4 30	32	42			125	Sue Hollis	r
R	9/24/76 - 9/26/76	Rochester RG	Rochester	Midtown Towers Hotel	Rochester, NY	35	Y 4 0	16	18			100	Dick Hoppe	r
R	10/1/76 - 10/3/76	Mensa-World South - 1976	Atlanta Mensa	Marriott-Atlanta	Atlanta, GA	25	Y 4 27	20	28			104	Merrell Kennedy	u
S	10/30/76 - 10/30/76	L.A. Mensa SIGathering	L.A. Mensa	Gr. L.A. Press Club	Los Angeles, CA	5	Y 2 11					300	Jay KleinBard	u
R	11/13/76 - 11/14/76	All Ohio Meeting	Columbus Area		Columbus, OH								Jennie Smith	u
R	11/25/76 - 11/28/76	Asilomar P.S. (Palm Springs)	GLAAM		Palm Springs, CA		Y 1 0			95	110		C.W. Lee	u
R	11/26/76 - 11/28/76	North Texas Mensa RG	NTM		Dallas, TX	25	Y 3 29	21	31			108	Joan Kollar	u
R	2/11/77 - 2/13/77	Snowball '77	NCNJ	Lake Minnewaska	New Paltz, NY	15	Y 6 0	74	132			80	Jan Williams	r
R	2/19/77 - 2/21/77	Channel Islands Regional	Channel Islands	Miramar Resort	Santa Barbara, CA		Y 4 0			75	120	75	Frank Schipper	r
R	3/18/77 - 3/20/77	Bluegrass Regional*	Kentuckiana	Marriott Inn	Clarksville, IN	25	Y 3 20	23	30				Patricia Slentz	c
R	4/29/77 - 5/1/77	May Day Hey Day	Cleveland Area	Sheraton Hopkins	Cleveland, OH	25	Y 3 25	19	26				June Russell	u
R	5/28/77 - 5/30/77	Sacramento RG	Sacramento	Senator Hotel	Sacramento, CA		Y 4 0			87	138		Joan Currier	r
S	6/18/77 - 6/19/77	M-Age SIG AG	M-Age SIG	Holiday Inn	Oklahoma City, OK	10	N					17		
S	7/77 -	BTTL SIG AG	BTTL SIG	(none)	Middlebourne, WV		N					32		
M	8/26/77 - 8/28/77	Sunburst '77 (Nude RG)	NCNJ	Sunshine Nudist Park	Mays Landing, NJ	15	N		14				Steve Weinreich	r
R	9/3/77 - 9/5/77	Asilomar XIV	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar State Park	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0			70	140		Elna Tymes	r
R	9/10/77 - 9/10/77	Mid-America RG	Mid-America	Heritage Inn	Kansas City, MO	35		15	19				Sue Hollis	u
R	9/16/77 - 9/18/77	Intelligence Comes to Washington*	MWM	Stouffer's Nat. Ctr. Inn	Arlington, VA	25	Y 3 25	28	34			220	Portia Baughman	c
R	9/30/77 - 10/2/77	Mensa World South RG	Atlanta Mensa		Atlanta, GA								Joe Celko	r
R	10/28/77 - 10/30/77	HalloweeM II	Mensa of Illinois	Marriott O'Hare	Rosemont, IL		Y 0			92	143	144	Ray Martin	u
R	11/5/77 - 11/6/77	All-Ohio Gathering	Columbus Area		Columbus, OH								Jennie Smith	u
R	11/25/77 - 11/27/77	New England Pilgrimage	Boston Mensa	Midtown Motor Inn	Boston, MA	25	Y 4 29	20	26				Joanne Hanley	r
R	11/25/77 - 11/27/77	Phoenix Phiesta '77 RG	Greater Phoenix	Pointe West Resort	Phoenix, AZ	20	Y 2 0	30	30				John Maxwell	c
R	1/20/78 - 1/22/78	All-Carolinas Gathering	C/BR		Charlotte, NC							50		
R	2/10/78 - 2/12/78	Snowball '78	NCNJ	Lake Minnewaska	New Paltz, NY	20	Y 6 0	80	140				Jan Williams	u
R	2/18/78 - 2/20/78	Channel Islands Regional	Channel Islands	Miramar Resort	Santa Barbara, CA		Y 4 0			90	140		Wanda Jacobs	r
R	3/10/78 - 3/12/78	Bluegrass Regional	Kentuckiana	Marriott Inn	Clarksville, IN		Y						Patricia Slentz	c
R	5/5/78 - 5/7/78	NORGY*	New Orleans	The Monteleone	New Orleans, LA	20	Y 2 15	28	45				Ellen Estevens	u
M	5/13/78 - 5/14/78	Cape Cod Mini-RG	Boston Mensa		Cape Cod, MA									
S	5/20/78 - 5/21/78	2nd Annual M-Age Gathering	M-Age SIG		San Francisco, CA									
R	5/26/78 - 5/29/78	Fun in the Men-Sun	San Diego Mensa	El Cortez Hotel	San Diego, CA	20	Y 4 38	24	28				Barbara Jones	r
R	5/26/78 - 5/29/78	Big Apple RG	GNYM	Biltmore Hotel	New York, NY	25	Y 3 35	32	36			500	Marlene Zimmerman	r
R	7/21/78 - 7/23/78	Tampa Bay RG	Tampa Bay		St. Pete's Beach, FL							100	Jeanne Kipe	u

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R	8/18/78 - 8/20/78	Confederate Uprising	Alabama Mensa	Carriage Inn	Huntsville, AL	20	Y 3 20	23	28				David Mann	c
R	8/25/78 - 8/27/78	Land O' Lakes RG*	Minnesota Mensa	Registry Hotel	Bloomington, MN	20	Y 3 27	31	36			210	Gordon Andersen	c
M	8/26/78 - 8/27/78	No. New England Mini-RG	NH Mensa	Squam Lakes Inn	Holderness, NH	25	Y 4 0	45	90				Meredith Champlin	r
R	9/2/78 - 9/4/78	Asilomar XIII	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Robin Winburn	c
R	9/15/78 - 9/17/78	Rochester RG	Rochester	Midtown Towers	Rochester, NY	45	Y 0	20	25				Sandy Liss	u
R	9/15/78 - 9/17/78	Southwest RG	San Antonio	Sheraton San Antonio	San Antonio, TX	25	Y 1 0	23	29				Althea Eley	r
R	10/6/78 - 10/8/78	Tidewater RG	Tidewater	Holiday Inn Scope	Norfolk, VA	25	Y 3 25	19	22			100	Dawson Mills	r
R	10/20/78 - 10/22/78	MensAutumn '78	CT & W. MA	Holiday Inn	Norwalk, CT	25	Y 3 25	29	35			189	Gloria Hall	r
R	10/27/78 - 10/29/78	HalloweeM III	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	20	Y 3 30	30	36				Virginia Burmeister	o
R	10/27/78 - 10/29/78	Atlanta RG	Atlanta Mensa		Atlanta, GA	15		25	28				Joe Celko	r
R	11/3/78 - 11/5/78	November in the Rain*	Oregon Mensa	Red Lion Inn	Portland, OR	25	Y 3 25	33	39			200	Fred Schumacher	u
R	11/10/78 - 11/12/78	FloRanGe	Broward	Sunrise Inn	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	25	Y 3 0			90	142	80	Marc Fisher-Galati	u
R	11/23/78 - 11/26/78	2nd Annual Phoenix Phiesta	Greater Phoenix		Phoenix, AZ	20		20	24				Bill Johnson	u
R	11/78 -	All-Ohio Gathering	Columbus Area		Columbus, OH							90		
R	2/9/79 - 2/11/79	Snowball '79	NCNJ	Lake Mohonk	New Paltz, NY	25	Y 6 0	90	180				Jan Williams	r
R	2/17/79 - 2/19/79	Channel Islands RG	Channel Islands	Mar Monte Resort Hotel	Santa Barbara, CA	10	Y 4 35	45	100				Wanda Jacobs	r
R	3/2/79 - 3/4/79	Delaware Valley RG	DVM		Cherry Hill, NJ								F.J. Danos	u
R	3/9/79 - 3/11/79	Bluegrass RG*	Kentuckiana	Marriott Inn	Clarksville, IN	25	Y 3 25	30	36			300	Patricia Slentz	r
R	4/27/79 - 4/29/79	SEMMantics	SEMM	Plymouth Hilton Inn	Plymouth, MI	25	Y 3 30	32	36				Tom Jermyn	u
R	4/27/79 - 4/29/79	PandeMonium on the Potomac	MWM	Hospitality House	Arlington, VA	20	Y 3 25	25	30			325	Bill Webbert	r
S	5/4/79 - 5/6/79	3rd Annual M-Age Gathering	M-Age SIG	(none)	Ajijic, Mexico							20		
M	5/4/79 - 5/6/79	Cape Cod Mini-RG	Boston Mensa		Cape Cod, MA									
M	5/18/79 - 5/20/79	All-Carolina Mini-RG	C/BR											
R	5/25/79 - 5/27/79	A Lone StaRGee	Gulf Coast	Marriott West Loop	Houston, TX	20	Y 2 20	27	27				Ginny Breedlove	r
R	5/25/79 - 5/28/79	Big Apple II RG	GNYM	Biltmore Hotel	New York, NY	25	Y 3 49	36	40			800	Marlene Zimmerman	r
R	5/25/79 - 5/28/79	Back to Nature	San Diego Mensa	Seven Seas Lodge	San Diego, CA	20	Y 4 32	23	27				Harry Kay	r
CU	7/21/79 - 7/22/79	Tut Weekend*	SFRM		San Francisco, CA							2000	Kay Grindlesperger	c
R	8/3/79 - 8/5/79	Midsummer Night's Madness	Cleveland Area	Sheraton Hopkins	Cleveland, OH	15	Y 3 33						Sandra Murphy	r
R	8/17/79 - 8/19/79	Confederate Uprising	Alabama Mensa	Carriage Inn	Huntsville, AL	20	Y 3 20	21	29				Cathy Funston	c
R	8/24/79 - 8/26/79	Land O' Lakes RG	Minnesota Mensa	Radisson Inn	Plymouth, MN	20	Y 4 45	31	36			90	Gerald Hendrickson	c
R	9/1/79 - 9/3/79	Asilomar XV	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Elna Tymes	r
R	9/7/79 - 9/9/79	Beach Bash II	Tampa Bay		St. Petersburg, FL								Jeanne Kipe	u
R	10/5/79 - 10/7/79	Atlanta RG	Atlanta Mensa	Rodeway Inn	Atlanta, GA	25	Y 4 30	24	29				Dolores Baker	r
R	10/19/79 - 10/21/79	MensAutumn '79	CT & W. MA	Yale Motor Inn	Wallingford, CT	25	Y 3 25					135	Connie Purcell	r
R	10/26/79 - 10/28/79	HalloweeM IV	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	23	Y 3 33	22	38				George Kourous	u
R	11/2/79 - 11/4/79	All-Ohio Gathering	Columbus Area		Columbus, OH								Jennie Smith	u
R	11/9/79 - 11/11/79	FloRanGe '79	Broward	Sunrise Inn	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	20	Y 4 35	23	48					
R	11/16/79 - 11/18/79	Disorder on the Border*	Paso del Norte	Holiday Inn Downtown	El Paso, TX	20	Y 3 35	26	32				Susan Wantland	r
R	11/23/79 - 11/25/79	New England Pilgrimage	Boston Mensa	Park Plaza Hotel	Boston, MA	25	Y 4 37	34	40				John Coons	r
R	11/23/79 - 11/25/79	Phoenix Phiesta III	Greater Phoenix	Los Olivos Hotel	Phoenix, AZ	20	Y 2 15	31	39				Alice McAvoy	u
R	1/18/80 - 1/20/80	Hollywood Nostalgia RG	GLAAM	H'wood Roosevelt Hotel	Hollywood, CA	18	Y 3 30	26	32				Paul Victor	c
R	2/15/80 - 2/18/80	Channel Islands RG	Channel Islands	El Patio Motor Hotel	Santa Barbara, CA	15	Y 4 30	29	33				Janet Menschel	r

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R	3/80 -	Snowball '80	NCNJ											
R	3/14/80 - 3/16/80	Bluegrass RG	Kentuckiana	Hilton Inn	Jeffersonville, IN	20	Y 3 28	29	37				Pat Slentz	r
R	4/11/80 - 4/13/80	Sin City RG	So. Nevada	Imperial Palace	Las Vegas, NV	18	Y 2 33	39	39			190	Jeanne Greene	r
R	4/18/80 - 4/20/80	SEMMantics	SEMM	Plymouth Hilton Inn	Plymouth, MI	25	Y 3 33	36	40				Li Quezada	r
R	5/2/80 - 5/4/80	Carolina Moon Shine RG*	C/BR	Quality Inn	Charlotte, NC	16	Y 3 23	42	42			150	Phyllis Kane	u
R	5/9/80 - 5/11/80	NORGY	New Orleans											
R	5/9/80 - 5/11/80	Beach Bash III	Tampa Bay	Breckenridge Resort	St. Pete's Beach, FL	20	Y 3 33	34	34				Jeanne Kipe	r
M	5/16/80 - 5/18/80	Cape Cod Mini-RG	Boston Mensa		Cape Cod, MA									
R	5/23/80 - 5/26/80	En-RG '80	San Diego Mensa	Seven Seas Lodge	San Diego, CA	20	Y 4 38	26	31				Larry Wheat	r
M	8/1/80 - 8/3/80	Sunburst '80 (Nude RG)	NCNJ		Moravia, NY	15	Y 1 0	7	7				John Radigan	u
R	8/8/80 - 8/10/80	Midsummer Night's Madness	Cleveland Area	Hollenden House	Cleveland, OH	25	Y 5 35	26	34				Dave Michel	r
R	8/8/80 - 8/10/80	Milwaukee Gemuetlichkeit	Mensa of Wisc.		Milwaukee, WI	20	Y 4 25	39	49				Michael Pixler	u
R	8/15/80 - 8/17/80	Confederate Uprising	Alabama Mensa		Huntsville, AL	20	Y 3 27	35	35				Fran Beckett	u
R	8/29/80 - 8/31/80	Land O' Lakes RG	Minnesota Mensa	Radisson Hotel	St. Paul, MN							85	Ray Voet	c
R	8/30/80 - 9/1/80	Asilomar XVI	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 6 0			87	174		Elna Tymes	r
R	9/5/80 - 9/7/80	A Capital Idea	MWM	Hotel Washington	Washington, DC	20	Y 3 32	40	46			300	Amy Shaughnessy	c
R	9/5/80 - 9/7/80	Rio Grande RG II	Paso del Norte		El Paso, TX	21	Y 3 27	30	35				Kevin Chestnut	u
M	9/26/80 - 9/28/80	New Hampshire Mini RG	Boston Mensa	Cannonball Lodge	Franconia, NH		Y 3 0			25	50	31	Dave Heimann	c
R	10/3/80 - 10/5/80	Peachtreat!	Atlanta Mensa	Tower Place Hotel	Atlanta, GA	25	Y 3 30	34	34				Ann Benson	u
R	10/10/80 - 10/12/80	Sacramento RG	Sacramento											
R	10/10/80 - 10/13/80	DiVertiMento	DVM	The Pines	Canadensis, PA	25	Y 0	23	40				Joe Myers	r
R	10/17/80 - 10/19/80	State Fair of Texas RG	NTM		Dallas, TX	15	Y 2 13	37	47				Rik Hess	r
R	10/17/80 - 10/19/80	MensAutumn 1980	CT & W. MA	Ramada Inn	E. Hartford, CT	25	Y 3 29	28	36				Ann Lenz	r
R	10/24/80 - 10/26/80	HalloweeM V	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	25	Y 3 35	34	40				Mary Herlihy	r
R	10/31/80 - 11/2/80	All-Ohio Gathering	Columbus Area		Columbus, OH									
R	11/14/80 - 11/16/80	FloRanGe	Broward	Sunrise Inn	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	20	Y 4 37	32	32					
R	11/28/80 - 11/30/80	Great N.E. Birthday Party	GNYM	Grand Hyatt Hotel	New York, NY	25		42	56				Connie Atman	u
R	11/28/80 - 11/30/80	Phoenix Phiesta IV*	Greater Phoenix	Safari Resort	Scottsdale, AZ	30	Y 3 43	30	38					
R	12/5/80 - 12/7/80	Pirate Revelry RG	SW by S Florida	South Seas Plantation	Captiva Island, FL	20	Y 4 38	37	37			211	Bob Sweet	u
R	2/14/81 - 2/16/81	Santa Barbara RG #9	Channel Islands											
R	2/20/81 - 2/22/81	Inner Harbor RG* (+IBD)	Maryland Mensa	Baltimore Hilton	Baltimore, MD	20	Y 3 30	46	46				Irv Ephraim	r
R	3/27/81 - 3/29/81	Appalachian Spring	Smoky Mtn. Mensa		Knoxville, TN									
R	3/27/81 - 3/29/81	Snowball 7	NCNJ	Mohonk Mountain House	New Paltz, NY	25	Y 3 0	78	122				Pete Boton	r
R	4/10/81 - 4/12/81	SEMMantics III RG	SEMM	Plymouth Hilton Inn	Plymouth, MI	25	Y 3 33	38	45				Charlotte Jermyn	u
R	5/1/81 - 5/3/81	All-Carolina RG	C/BR										Phyllis Kane	u
M	5/8/81 - 5/10/81	Cape Cod Mini RG	Boston Mensa	Provincetown Inn	Provincetown, MA	7	N	35	35			51	Craig Wagner	r
R	5/8/81 - 5/10/81	Memphis in May RG	Memphis Mensa	Sheraton Convention Ctr.	Memphis, TN	20	Y 3 30	33	43				Terri Lewis	r
R	5/15/81 - 5/17/81	Nebraska RG												
RC	5/22/81 - 5/25/81	San Diego RG*	San Diego Mensa	Hanlei Hotel	San Diego, CA	30		45	45				Harry Kay	r
R	5/29/81 - 5/31/81	Beach Bash IV	Tampa Bay	Holiday Inn	Sarasota, FL	20	Y 3 33	38	38				Cynthia Fisher	u
M	5/29/81 - 6/1/81	New Hampshire Mini RG	Boston Mensa	Cannonball Lodge	Franconia, NH		Y 3 0	25	50				Dave Heimann	c
R	7/24/81 - 7/26/81	Newport '81	Rhode Island		Newport, RI	35	Y 2 30	45	49				Meredith Eidam	r

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R	7/24/81 - 7/26/81	Orange County First RG	Orange County		, CA	35		42	48			170	Franci Taylor	c
R	8/7/81 - 8/9/81	Midsummer Night's Madness	Cleveland Area	Sheraton Hopkins	Cleveland, OH	25	Y 4 35	35	60				Dave Michel	r
R	8/21/81 - 8/23/81	Confederate Uprising	Alabama Mensa		Huntsville, AL									
R	8/28/81 - 8/30/81	Milwaukee Gemuetlichkeit II *	Mensa of Wisc.		Milwaukee, WI	20	Y 4 33	52	52				Martha Porter	u
R	9/4/81 - 9/7/81	Asilomar XVII	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Frederika Schwaber	c
R	9/4/81 - 9/7/81	Labor Day Vacation RG	NTM	Grenelefe Hotel	Dallas, TX	30	Y 3 40	37	47				Rik Hess	u
M	9/11/81 - 9/13/81	Indiana Fall Fun Festival	Indianapolis	Spring Hill State Park	Mitchell, IN								P.A. DuPuis	u
R	9/11/81 - 9/13/81	Rivers 3 RG	Western PA		Pittsburgh, PA	25	Y 3 35							
R	9/18/81 - 9/20/81	Land O' Lakes RG	Minnesota Mensa	Holiday Inn/Airport	Bloomington, MN							112	Sandy Ferguson	c
R	9/18/81 - 9/20/81	Peachtreat VII	Atlanta Mensa	Tower Place Hotel	Atlanta, GA	30	Y 3 34	38	38				Celia Wilson	u
R	10/2/81 - 10/4/81	Rio Grande RG III	Paso del Norte		El Paso, TX									
R	10/9/81 - 10/11/81	All-Ohio Weekend	Columbus Area	Holiday Inn North	Columbus, OH								Jennie Smith	u
R	10/16/81 - 10/18/81	DiVertiMento II	DVM	Split Rock Lodge	Lake Harmony, PA	25	Y 6 0	81	127				Shirley Cohn	r
R	10/16/81 - 10/18/81	MensAutumn '81	CT & W. MA	Park Plaza	New Haven, CT	25	Y 37	42	52				Ann Bouchoutrouch	u
R	10/16/81 - 10/19/81	LARGO '81	GLAAM	Pacifica Hotel	W. Los Angeles, CA	29	Y	45	45			300	Dave Felt	r
R	10/23/81 - 10/25/81	HalloweeM VI RG	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	30	Y 3 40	38	44			347	Dee Kaempen	r
R	10/30/81 - 11/1/81	Moon Over Miami RG	Miami Mensa	The Newport	Miami Beach, FL	30	Y 4 33	42	42				Robert Gordon	r
R	11/6/81 - 11/8/81	End of the Line RG	Chattanooga	Read House Hotel	Chattanooga, TN	25	Y 3 30	37	37			101	Mary Hollifield	u
R	11/19/81 - 11/23/81	Over the Rainbow RG	Hawaii Mensa	Ilikai Hotel	Honolulu, HI	40	Y 6 105	44	44			200		
R	11/27/81 - 11/29/81	New England Pilgrimage	Boston Mensa	The Lenox Hotel	Boston, MA	25	Y 3 35	45	50				John Coons	r
R	11/27/81 - 11/29/81	Phoenix Phiesta Phive	Greater Phoenix	La Posada Resort	Scottsdale, AZ	30		50	50				Ann Walter	r
R	12/4/81 - 12/6/81	Pirate Revelry II*	SW by S Florida	Sundial Beach Resort	Sanibel Island, FL	25	Y 3 48	37	37				Linda Hewitt	u
R	2/12/82 - 2/14/82	Heart of Florida RG	Central Florida		Orlando, FL	15	Y 3 33	38	38			180	Larry Pino	u
R	2/26/82 - 2/28/82	Snowball '82	NCNJ	Mohonk Mountain House	New Paltz, NY	25	Y 0	59	59				Pete Boton	r
R	3/5/82 - 3/7/82	Armadillo RG*	San Antonio	El Tropicano Hotel	San Antonio, TX	45	Y 2 19	42	52				Fran Hill	r
R	3/18/82 - 3/21/82	Derbytown RG	Kentuckiana	Galt House	Louisville, KY	30	Y 3 34	34	38			200	Rose Lee Crutcher	u
R	3/26/82 - 3/28/82	Sin City RG	So. Nevada	Imperial Palace	Las Vegas, NV	25	Y 2 40	38	38				Linda Tapp	r
R	4/2/82 - 4/4/82	Vintage '82 - Wine Country RG	SFRM	Holiday Inn	Napa, CA	30	Y 1 20	26	26				Myra Johnson	r
R	4/16/82 - 4/18/82	SEMMantics IV	SEMM	Sheraton University Inn	Ann Arbor, MI	25	Y 3 33	38	46				Jerry Breuer	r
R	4/16/82 - 4/18/82	Appalachian Spring II	Smoky Mtn. Mensa		Knoxville, TN	25	Y 40	47	47				Barbara Norwood	u
R	4/30/82 - 5/2/82	MWM's 20th Birthday Bash	MWM	Sheraton Washington	Silver Spring, MD	30	Y 3 35	42	42			269	Lin Sinclair	c
M	5/7/82 - 5/9/82	Cape Cod Mini RG	Boston Mensa	Provincetown Inn	Provincetown, MA	7	N	40	40				Brian Saper	r
R	5/14/82 - 5/16/82	All Carolinah RG	Piedmont	Sheraton	Greenville, SC	25	Y 3 27	25	29				Duane Bates	r
R	5/21/82 - 5/23/82	Memphis in May RG	Memphis Mensa		Memphis, TN									
R	5/28/82 - 5/31/82	Sun Daze '82	San Diego Mensa		San Diego, CA	30	Y 3 42						Howard Deaver	r
R	5/28/82 - 5/31/82	Beach Bash V	Tampa Bay	Colonial Inn	St. Pete's Beach, FL	30	Y 5 35	30	30				Margy Reinke	u
R	5/28/82 - 5/31/82	SYNRG '82	Gulf Coast	Hilton Southwest	Houston, TX	35	Y 45	40	40				Ginny Breedlove	r
R	7/1/82 - 7/4/82	Riviera of the West	Orange County	Registry Hotel	Irvine, CA	35		39	39				Barry Stone	u
R	8/6/82 - 8/8/82	Midsummer Night's Madness	Cleveland Area	Cleveland Hilton So.	Cleveland, OH	25	Y 4 40	35	40				Sandra Murphy	u
R	8/6/82 - 8/8/82	Big Apple RG*	GNYM	Roosevelt Hotel	New York, NY	25	Y 2 51	55	55				Rosemarie Dowling	r
R	8/20/82 - 8/22/82	Confederate Uprising	Alabama Mensa	Carriage Inn Motel	Huntsville, AL	23	Y 3 32	30	34				Mike Freeman	u
R	8/27/82 - 8/29/82	Milwaukee Gemuetlichkeit III	Mensa of Wisc.	Midway Motor Lodge	Milwaukee, WI	25	Y 4 35	42	42				Penny Dunker	r

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R	9/3/82 - 9/5/82	KC Buffalo Stampede RG	Mid-America	Hilton Plaza Inn	Kansas City, MO	30	Y 3 45	40	40				Cleve Garvin	r
R	9/3/82 - 9/6/82	Rivers 3 RG	Western PA	Holiday Inn Airport	Pittsburgh, PA									
R	9/4/82 - 9/6/82	Asilomar XVIII	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0					400	David Whitney	c
R	9/24/82 - 9/26/82	Harlequinade	Bluegrass Mensa	Harley Hotel	Lexington, KY	30	Y 3 32	36	36				Pat Buchignani	r
R	9/24/82 - 9/26/82	8th Annual Peachtreat	Atlanta Mensa	Dunfey Hotel	Atlanta, GA	30	Y 2 30	36	36				Celia Wilson	u
R	9/24/82 - 9/26/82	MensAutumn 8	CT & W. MA	Jug End Resort	So. Egremont, MA	35	Y 0	65	65				Maxine Wisbaum	r
R	9/24/82 - 9/26/82	Land O' Lakes RG	Minnesota Mensa	Sheraton Inn NW	Brooklyn Park, MN							88	Eric Adams	c
R	10/1/82 - 10/3/82	DiVertiMento III	DVM	Split Rock Lodge	Lake Harmony, PA	30	Y 3 0	85	130				Joe Myers	u
S	10/8/82 - 10/10/82	Discovery '82 - SEXYG AG	SEXYG		San Antonio, TX	50								
R	10/22/82 - 10/24/82	HalloweeM VII	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	30	Y 3 40	40	44				Dee Kaempen	r
R	10/22/82 - 10/24/82	LARGO '82	GLAAM	Pacifica Hotel	Culver City, CA	25	Y 3 44	56	56				Dave Felt	r
R	10/29/82 - 10/31/82	FloRanGe '82	Broward		Plantation, FL	25	Y 3 35	30	40				June Brasgalla	u
C	10/29/82 - 10/31/82	Colloquium I	Boston Mensa	Copley Plaza Hotel	Boston, MA	50	Y 4 70	82	92					
R	11/5/82 - 11/7/82	End of the Line RG	Chattanooga	Read House Hotel	Chattanooga, TN	25	Y 3 32	39	39				Mary Hollifield	u
R	11/12/82 - 11/14/82	Seattle Potlatch*	Mensa of W. WA	Mayflower Park Hotel	Seattle, WA	39	Y 3 41	40	48				David Kageyama	u
R	11/25/82 - 11/28/82	Phoenix Phiesta VI	Greater Phoenix	Scottsdale Hilton	Scottsdale, AZ	30	Y 3 44	36	36				Ann Walter	u
R	11/26/82 - 11/28/82	North Texas Mensa RG	NTM	Summit Hotel	Dallas, TX	35	Y 3 40	42	42				Andy McKellar	r
R	12/3/82 - 12/5/82	Zinzinnati RG	Cincinnati		Cincinnati, OH	25	Y 3 32	30	30				Larry Varney	r
R	2/12/83 - 2/14/83	Heart of Florida RG	Central Florida		Orlando, FL	25	Y 2 25	30	38				Keith Proud	r
R	3/10/83 - 3/13/83	Derbytown RG	Kentuckiana	Marriott Inn	Clarksville, IN	30	Y 35	41	41					
M	3/19/83 - 3/20/83	Harper's Ferry Mini-RG	MWM	Cliffside Motor Lodge	Harper's Ferry, WV					66	100	75	Irv Ephraim	r
R	3/25/83 - 3/27/83	SEMMantics V*	SEMM	Sheraton University Inn	Ann Arbor, MI	30	Y 3 36	42	50				James Wells	r
R	4/8/83 - 4/10/83	Snowball-by-the-Sea RG	NCNJ	Beacon Manor	Point Pleasant, NJ	20	Y 6 50	26	26				Bob Hendricks	u
R	4/15/83 - 4/17/83	Appalachian Spring #3 RG	Smoky Mtn. Mensa	Holiday Inn World's Fair	Knoxville, TN	30	Y 3 36	36	36				Barbara Norwood	u
R	4/22/83 - 4/24/83	Gateway RG	St. Louis Mensa	Henry VIII Motor Inn	Bridgeton, MO	25	Y 3 29						Jack Dudak	r
R	5/6/83 - 5/8/83	Vintage '83 - Wine Country RG	SFRM	Flamingo Resort Hotel	Santa Rosa, CA	30		23	36				Jeanne Ford	r
M	5/6/83 - 5/8/83	Cape Cod Mini-RG	Boston Mensa	Provincetown Inn	Provincetown, MA	9	N	42	42				Rita Perloff	r
R	5/13/83 - 5/15/83	All-Carolinah RG	Piedmont	Sheraton Hotel	Greenville, SC	25	Y 3 27	25	25				Duane Bates	r
R	5/20/83 - 5/22/83	Memphis in May RG	Memphis Mensa	Holiday Inn-Overton Park	Memphis, TN	25		33	39				Lynn Hamlin	u
R	5/27/83 - 5/30/83	Sun Daze '83 RG	San Diego Mensa	Catamaran Beach Hotel	San Diego, CA	35	Y 34	42	56				Howard Deaver	r
R	5/27/83 - 5/30/83	Beach Bash VI RG	Tampa Bay	Plantation Inn	Crystal River, FL	30	Y 5 47	40	45				Margy Reinke	u
R	5/27/83 - 5/30/83	2nd Annual SYNRG	Gulf Coast	Greenspoint Marriott	Houston, TX	35	Y 4 43	36	36					
R	6/3/83 - 6/5/83	SIEGE RG	Mid-Tennessee		Murfreesboro, TN	30	Y 2 20	26	36				Lynn Hamlin	r
R	7/1/83 - 7/4/83	Orange County Mensa RG	Orange County	Registry Hotel	Irvine, CA	35		43	43				Art Mattson	u
R	7/1/83 - 7/4/83	Big Apple V RG	GNYM	Grand Hyatt	New York, NY	30	Y 2 56	75	75				Connie Atman	c
R	7/22/83 - 7/24/83	North Coast Midsummer M-ness	Cleveland Area	Cleveland Hilton So.	Cleveland, OH	25	Y 3 35	38	38				Marty Matuson	r
R	8/12/83 - 8/14/83	Mensa Goes Hi Tech	Southern CT		Darien, CT	30		45	45				Nancy McPheron	u
R	8/12/83 - 8/14/83	Peak Experience RG*	Denver Mensa	Writers' Manor	Denver, CO	35	Y 3 38	38	44				Yvonne Costin	c
R	8/19/83 - 8/21/83	Confederate Uprising #6	Alabama Mensa	Carriage Inn Motel	Huntsville, AL	25	Y 32	32	34				Rob Glover	u
R	8/19/83 - 8/21/83	Fall Fun Festival	Indianapolis	Clifty Falls State Park	Madison, IN	20	Y 0	48	64					
R	8/26/83 - 8/28/83	Milwaukee Gemuetlichkeit IV	Mensa of Wisc.			25	Y 3 33	42	84				Penny Dunker	r
R	9/2/83 - 9/5/83	Magic City Madness	Miami Mensa		Miami Beach, FL	25								

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R	9/2/83 - 9/5/83	Rivers 3 RG III	Western PA		Pittsburgh, PA	35	Y 5 50					200	Mary-Anne Bronner	r
R	9/3/83 - 9/5/83	Asilomar XIX	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA	18	Y 0	58	154				Jo Ann Malina	c
R	9/9/83 - 9/11/83	Son of Armadillo RG	San Antonio	Hyatt Regency Hotel	San Antonio, TX	30	Y 3 39	45	45				Dave Rolfe	u
S	9/23/83 - 9/25/83	Merger '83 - Rich-M SIG AG	Rich-M SIG		Lake Tahoe, NV									
R	9/23/83 - 9/25/83	Peachtreat RG	Atlanta Mensa	Dunfey Hotel	Atlanta, GA	33	Y 2 30	38	45				Becky Bowen	r
R	9/23/83 - 9/25/83	Saturday Night in Toledo	Maumee Valley	Holiday Inn Southwest	Toledo, OH	25	Y 3	38	48				Kathryn Gratop	u
R	9/23/83 - 9/25/83	Land O' Lakes RG	Minnesota Mensa	Holiday Inn Airport So.	Bloomington, MN	25						97	Michael Ferguson	c
R	10/28/83 - 10/30/83	Gold Country RG	Sacramento	Sacramento Inn	Sacramento, CA	25	Y 3 42	38	47				Dottie Grant	r
R	10/28/83 - 10/30/83	Pirate Revelry III	SW by S Florida	Lani-Kai Island Resort	Ft. Myers Beach, FL	25	Y 0	37	37				Brown/Bercovitch	r
R	10/28/83 - 10/30/83	HalloweeM VIII	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	30	Y 3 40	44	44				Jerilyn Schumacher	u
R	11/4/83 - 11/6/83	End of the Line RG #3	Chattanooga		Chattanooga, TN	30	Y 35	35	45				Mary Hollifield	u
R	11/11/83 - 11/13/83	Orwellian Weekend	GLAAM	Highland Springs Resort	Beaumont, CA		Y 0			109	272		Bill Salm	u
R	11/11/83 - 11/13/83	MensAutumn '83	CT & W. MA	Summit Hotel	Hartford, CT	35	Y 3 44	48	48				John Bentley	r
R	11/25/83 - 11/27/83	New England Pilgrimage	Boston Mensa	Hotel Meridien	Boston, MA	30	Y 3 50	50	50				Brian Saper	u
R	11/26/83 - 11/28/83	Feast of Pleasures and Delights	NTM		Dallas, TX	35	Y 42	38	38				Chuck Adkins	u
R	12/2/83 - 12/4/83	Zinzinnati RG	Cincinnati		Cincinnati, OH	30	Y 3 36	35	35				Larry Varney	r
R	1/27/84 - 1/29/84	GaAla RG	GaAla Mensa	Quality Inn - Martinique	Columbus, GA	25	Y 2 18	25	30				Carroll Sutton	u
R	2/17/84 - 2/19/84	Heart of Florida RG	Central Florida	Howard Johnson's	Orlando, FL	25	Y 2 20	32	38				Vicky Remus	u
R	3/2/84 - 3/4//84	Snowball-by-the-Sea X	NCNJ		Ocean City, NJ	20	Y 4 42	55	55				Sheila Gross	u
R	3/15/84 - 3/17/84	Derbytown RG	Kentuckiana	The Seelbach	Louisville, KY	35	Y	43	43				George Gillard	c
R	3/23/84 - 3/25/84	Sin City RG III	So. Nevada	Imperial Palace Hotel	Las Vegas, NV	30	Y 2 34	35	35				Jeanne Greene	r
R	3/30/84 - 4/1/84	St. Louis RG*	St. Louis Mensa	Park Terrace Hilton	St. Louis, MO	25	Y 3 38	45	45				Fran Mitchell	c
RC	4/6/84 - 4/8/84	MC3 (RG & Reg. Colloquium)	Western PA		Pittsburgh, PA							89	Ken McFarland	r
R	4/13/84 - 4/15/84	Appalachian Spring #4	Smoky Mtn. Mensa	Airport Hilton	Knoxville, TN	30	Y 2 20	39	39				Val Alexander	r
R	4/13/84 - 4/15/84	SEMMantics VI	SEMM	Kingsley Inn	Bloomfield Hills, MI	30	Y 3 38	40	40				Nancy Williams	r
R	5/4/84 - 5/6/84	Disorder on the Border	Paso del Norte		El Paso, TX	25	Y 3 30	40	40				Lee Bondurant	u
R	5/11/84 - 5/13/84	All-Carolinah RG #3	Piedmont		Greenville, SC	38	Y 1 16	28	30				Duane Bates	u
R	5/18/84 - 5/20/84	Memphis in May RG	Memphis Mensa		Memphis, TN									
R	5/25/84 - 5/27/84	Big Top Beach Bash	Tampa Bay	The Hyatt House	Sarasota, FL	30	Y 5 55	45	45				Dwight Gill	r
R	5/25/84 - 5/28/84	Shenanigans '84 RG	NNJ		Montvale, NJ	30	Y 3 43	48	48				Seth Cohen	r
R	5/25/84 - 5/28/84	SYNRG '84	Gulf Coast		Houston, TX	37	Y 4 45	45	45				Sam Phillips	u
R	5/25/84 - 5/28/84	Sun Daze '84	San Diego Mensa		San Diego, CA	45	Y 4 57	50	55				Dave Harper	u
R	6/15/84 - 6/17/84	Vintage '84 - Wine Country RG	SFRM	Flamingo Resort Hotel	Santa Rosa, CA	35	Y 5	40	50				Jeanne Ford	u
R	6/15/84 - 6/17/84	Hug-a-Hog RG	Arkansas Mensa	Ramada Inn	Little Rock, AR	20		26	32				Dick Lucas	u
R	7/6/84 - 7/8/84	Orange Rush '84	Orange County	Registry Hotel	Irvine, CA	35		47	47				David Schlinkert	r
R	7/27/84 - 7/29/84	A Celebration of M-ness	Cleveland Area	Cleveland Hilton South	Cleveland, OH	25	Y 3 35	42	42				Marty Matuson	r
CP	8/2/84 - 8/5/84	Buena Vista RV RG	High Mountain	Cottonwood Lake	Buena Vista, CO	10	N						Virginia Harvey	u
R	8/3/84 - 8/5/84	Salt City RG*	CNY Mensa	Sheraton Inn	Syracuse, NY	35	Y 3 40	40	40				Pat Gontarczyk	u
CP	8/10/84 - 8/12/84	Wildwood Romp III	Vandalia Mensa		Pocohantas Co., WV	5	N	5	5					
R	8/17/84 - 8/19/84	Confederate Uprising #7	Norbamensa		Huntsville, AL									
R	8/24/84 - 8/26/84	Milwaukee Gemuetlichkeit V	Mensa of Wisc.		Milwaukee, WI	25	Y 3 33	45	45					
CP	8/24/84 - 8/26/84	Camp Mensawanna RG	Indianapolis	Clifty Falls State Park	Madison, IN	20	Y 0	48	64				Russ Washburne	u

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R	8/31/84 - 9/2/84	Buffalo Stampede	Mid-America		Kansas City, MO	35	Y 3 42	44	44				Cleve Garvin	r
R	8/31/84 - 9/3/84	Rivers 3 RG IV	Western PA		Pittsburgh, PA									
R	9/1/84 - 9/3/84	Asilomar XX	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA	18	Y 6 0	174	192				David Kirby	c
R	9/14/84 - 9/16/84	Saturday Night in Toledo: 2nd Verse	Maumee Valley	Holiday Inn Riverview	Toledo, OH	30	Y 3	35	35					
R	9/21/84 - 9/23/84	Land O' Lakes RG	Minnesota Mensa	Holiday Inn Central	Bloomington, MN	25	Y 4 42	38	38			115	Cheryl Robinson	c
R	9/21/84 - 9/23/84	Peachtreatl RG	Atlanta Mensa	Lanier Plaza Hotel	Atlanta, GA	35	Y 2 30	39	42				Alice Rogers	u
R	10/19/84 - 10/21/84	MensAutumn '84	CT & W. MA	Summit Hotel	Hartford, CT	35	Y 3 35	48	48				Dick Fogg	r
R	10/26/84 - 10/28/84	FloRanGe RG	Broward	Sea Garden Beach Resort	Pompano Beach, FL	30	Y 3 37	42	42				Sue Siebert	u
R	10/26/84 - 10/28/84	HalloweeM IX	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	30	Y 47	48	48				Gerri Hesselbert	u
R	10/26/84 - 10/28/84	DiVertiMento IV RG	DVM	Independence Hall	Philadelphia, PA	30	Y 2 28	58	58				Carol Gomez	u
R	10/26/84 - 10/28/84	Gold Country RG	Sacramento	Sacramento Inn	Sacramento, CA	40	Y 3 38	50	50				Dottie Grant	u
R	11/2/84 - 11/4/84	End of the Line RG	Chattanooga	Read House Hotel	Chattanooga, TN	30	Y 3 40	39	44				Tacie Overbeck	u
CU	11/9/84 - 11/11/84	Orange County's Cultural Experience*	Orange County	Registry Hotel	Irvine, CA	20	Y 2 30	55	55				Tom Egan	r
R	11/23/84 - 11/25/84	Feast of Pleasures and Delights	NTM	Summit Hotel	Dallas, TX	35	Y 3 44	38	38				Carol Hilson	c
R	11/30/84 - 12/2/84	Zinzinnati RG #3	Cincinnati		Cincinnati, OH									
R	2/1/85 - 2/3/85	Groundhog GaAla RG	GaAla Mensa	Quality Inn - Martinique	Columbus, GA	25	Y 2 18	29	34				Carroll Sutton	u
O	2/1/85 - 2/3/85	Ski RG	Denver Mensa		Denver, CO		Y 3 0			190	380		Paula Trumble	r
R	2/14/85 - 2/18/85	Deep in the Heart of Texas RG	San Antonio		San Antonio, TX								Althea Eley	u
R	2/15/85 - 2/17/85	2nd Annual Great Dismal Swamp	Tidewater	Virginia Beach Hilton	Virginia Beach, VA	35	Y 3 35	30	30				Wanda Wolfe	u
R	2/15/85 - 2/17/85	Space Coast Adventure RG	SCAM		Cocoa Beach, FL			50	50				Rickie Wertz	u
R	3/1/85 - 3/3/85	Snowball XI RG	CNJ	Scanticon	Princeton, NJ	35	Y 4 60	66	66				Max Fine	r
R	3/8/85 - 3/10/85	Fantasy Springs RG	GLAAM	Highland Springs Resort	Beaumont, CA		Y 4 0			145	289		Bob Abrahams	r
R	3/15/85 - 3/17/85	Well Thawed-Out RG	Puerto Rico		, Puerto Rico	35								
R	3/15/85 - 3/17/85	Seattle Slugfest	Mensa of W. WA		Seattle, WA	39	Y 3 34	49	49				Pat Kennedy	u
R	3/15/85 - 3/17/85	Derbytown RG	Kentuckiana	Seelbach Hotel	Louisville, KY	35	Y 3 39	48	48				Karen Tiede	r
R	3/22/85 - 3/24/85	Southern Connecticut RG	Southern CT											
R	3/29/85 - 3/31/85	Appalachian Spring #5 RG*	Smoky Mtn. Mensa	Knoxville Airport Hilton	Knoxville, TN	30	Y 3	40	40				Val Alexander	u
R	4/12/85 - 4/14/85	Gateway RG '85	St. Louis Mensa		St. Louis, MO	35	Y 3 40	45	45				Wayne Behel	r
R	4/19/85 - 4/21/85	SEMMantics VII	SEMM	Airport Holidome	Romulus, MI	30	Y 35	40	40				Gerry Breuer	u
R	5/3/85 - 5/5/85	All Carolinah RG #4	Piedmont	Holiday Inn	Greenville, SC			40	40				John Miller	u
M	5/10/85 - 5/12/85	7th Annual Cape Cod Mini RG	Boston Mensa		Yarmouth, MA									
R	5/17/85 - 5/19/85	Memphis in May RG	Memphis Mensa		Memphis, TN									
R	5/24/85 - 5/26/85	Generic RG	Denver Mensa	Lake Dillon Lodge	Denver, CO	25	Y 4 35	34	34				Paula Trumble	r
R	5/24/85 - 5/27/85	SYNRG	Gulf Coast		Houston, TX	38	Y 3 39	40	40				Richard Jones	u
R	5/24/85 - 5/27/85	Shenanigans '85	NNJ		, NJ	30	Y 3 44	55	55				Seth Cohen	u
R	5/24/85 - 5/27/85	Beach Bash VIII	Tampa Bay	Bilmar Beach Resort	Treasure Island, FL	45	Y 8 0	52	52				Margy Reinke	u
R	5/31/85 - 6/2/85	Vintage '85 - Wine Country RG	SFRM	El Rancho Tropicana	Santa Rosa, CA	36	Y 2 30	43	53				Jeanne Ford	r
R	7/4/85 - 7/7/85	Orange Rush '85	Orange County	Grand Hotel	Anaheim, CA	45	Y 6 79	50	50			211	Alice Buell	r
R	7/19/85 - 7/21/85	Midsummer Madness IX	Cleveland Area	Harley Hotel of Cleveland	Cleveland, OH	30	Y 3 35	42	42				Marty Matuson	r
CP	8/2/85 - 8/4/85	Buena Vista Mini-Gathering	High Mountain	(none)	Buena Vista, CO	0	N					60	King James Driver	u
CP	8/9/85 - 8/11/85	Wildwood Romp Mini-RG	Vandalia Mensa	Buckskin Scout Camp	Pocahontas Co., WV	5	N	20	20					
R	8/16/85 - 8/18/85	Confederate Uprising	North Alabama		Huntsville, AL									

Type	Dates	Name	Group	Hotel or Site	City, State	Reg	Meals	S	D	P1	P2	Att	Contact	
R	8/16/85 - 8/18/85	Circle City RG	Indianapolis	Hilton Hotel	Indianapolis, IN	30	Y 2						Sandy Althouse	u
R	8/30/85 - 9/1/85	Asilomar XXI	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						George Peabody	c
R	8/30/85 - 9/2/85	Rivers 3 RG	Western PA	Greentree Holiday Inn	Pittsburgh, PA			59	59				Jim Hodge	r
M	9/20/85 - 9/22/85	Rhode Island Mini-RG	Rhode Island		Newport, RI	10	N						Pam Rentumis	u
R	9/27/85 - 9/29/85	Saturday Night in Toledo III	Maumee Valley		Toledo, OH	35	Y 3 21	37	44				Frank Franklin	r
R	9/27/85 - 9/29/85	Peachtreatl RG	Atlanta Mensa		Atlanta, GA									
R	9/27/85 - 9/29/85	Castle Gathering 3	Central PA	Sheraton West	New Cumberland, PA		Y 2						Rae Neubaum	u
R	10/18/85 - 10/20/85	MensAutumn '85	CT & W. MA	Holiday Inn	Bradley Int'l, CT	35	Y 3 48	50	54				Barbara Chayer	r
R	10/25/85 - 10/27/85	DiVertiMento V RG	DVM	Philadelphia Centre Hotel	Philadelphia, PA	30	Y 2 30	52	59				Carol Gomez	u
R	10/25/85 - 10/27/85	HalloweeM X RG	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada O'Hare Inn	Des Plaines, IL	30	Y	55	55				Dee Kaempen	r
R	11/1/85 - 11/3/85	Gold Country RG*	Sacramento		Sacramento, CA	40	Y 2 31	52	52				Kerin Mayugba	r
R	11/1/85 - 11/3/85	FloRanGe Fantasy '85	Broward	Sea Garden Beach Resort	Pompano Beach, FL	30	Y 3 34	40	40				June Brasgalla	u
R	11/1/85 - 11/3/85	End of the Line RG	Chattanooga	Read House Hotel	Chatanooga, TN	32	Y 2 30	42	48				Mary Duffy	u
R	11/28/85 - 12/1/85	New England Pilgrimage	Boston Mensa	Park Plaza Hotel	Boston, MA	35	Y 2 39	44	44				Larry Cuthbert	u
R	11/28/85 - 12/1/85	Feast of Pleasures and Delights	NTM	Sheraton Park Central	Dallas, TX	35	Y 3 47	45	45				Carol Hilson	c
R	11/29/85 - 12/1/85	Phoenix Phiesta 7 RG	Greater Phoenix		,AZ	25	Y 3 30	42	48				Cindy Cielle	u
S	11/29/85 - 12/1/85	SEXYG National Gathering #3	SEXYG	Miyako Hotel	San Francisco, CA	35	Y 2 45	60	60				David Whitney	r
R	12/6/85 - 12/8/85	Zinzinnati RG	Cincinnati		Cincinnati, OH	30	Y 3 35	45	45				Melinda Wakefield	r
R	1/31/86 - 2/2/86	Groundhog GaAla III RG	GaAla Mensa	La Quinta Inn	Columbus, GA	30	Y 0	32	37				Gordon Maddox	u
R	2/14/86 - 2/16/86	Heart of Florida RG	Central Florida	Park Suite Hotel	Orlando, FL	35	Y 1 25	65	65				Fred Berg	c
R	2/14/86 - 2/16/86	3rd Annual Great Dismal Swamp	Tidewater	Holiday Inn	Virginia Beach, VA	30	Y 5 60	35	35				Tim McCann	r
R	2/28/86 - 2/30/86	The Maltese Owl	GLAAM	Highland Springs Resort	Beaumont, CA		Y 4 0			140	280		Carolyn Simon	u
R	2/28/86 - 3/2/86	Owlabama Blast RG	Central Alabama	Holiday Inn Medical Ctr.	Birmingham, AL	30	Y 3 40	50	50				Linda Kelso	u
R	2/28/86 - 3/2/86	Snowball '86	CNJ										Don Smart	u
R	3/14/86 - 3/16/86	Derbytown RG XIV	Kentuckiana	Galt House	Louisville, KY	30	Y 3 40	49	49				Susan Adams	c
M	3/22/86 - 3/22/86	Dallas Mini RG*	NTM	Holiday Inn - Brookhollow	Dallas, TX	29	Y 3 43	45	45				Roger Durham	u
CP	4/4/86 - 4/6/86	Fabulous Florida Campout IV		Fisheating Creek Camp.	Palmdale, FL	2	N	14	14				A.K. Morrison	u
R	4/4/86 - 4/6/86	Las Vegas RG	So. Nevada		Las Vegas, NV								Marshall Willick	u
R	4/4/86 - 4/6/86	Come Fool Around With Us RG	St. Louis Mensa	Holiday Inn Westport	St. Louis, MO	35	Y 3 40	47	47				Fran Hagan	r
M	4/11/86 - 4/13/86	Mensa Murder Weekend Mini RG			Winter Haven, FL	40	Y 30	30	34				George Trepal	c
R	4/18/86 - 4/20/86	Appalachian Spring #6	Smoky Mtn. Mensa	Hilton Downtown	Knoxville, TN	29	Y 3 36	44	44				Jim Simmons	u
M	4/18/86 - 4/20/86	Nebraska & Western Iowa Mini RG	Neb./W. Iowa	Interstate Holiday Inn	Grand Island, NE								George Kaywood	u
R	4/25/86 - 4/27/86	Castle Gathering	Central PA	Harrisburg Marriott	Harrisburg, PA	35	Y 3 40	58	58				Susan Reichert	u
R	5/2/86 - 5/4/86	Vintage '86 - Wine Country RG	SFRM	Flamingo Resort Hotel	Santa Rosa, CA	36	Y 2 30	45	50				Jeanne Ford	r
R	5/2/86 - 5/4/86	SEMMantics VIII	SEMM	Holiday Inn	, MI	35	Y 3 35	50	50				Renee Beihl	r
M	5/2/86 - 5/4/86	Cape Cod Mini RG	Boston Mensa	Village Green Motel	So. Yarmouth, MA	10	N	16	32				Elaine Baskin	u
R	5/9/86 - 5/11/86	All Carolinah RG	Piedmont		Greenville, SC	38	Y 2 22	45	45				Duane Bates	u
R	5/16/86 - 5/19/86	Memphis in May #6 RG	Memphis Mensa	Winchester Plaza	Memphis, TN	27	Y 2 18	33	39				Steve Porter	u
R	5/23/86 - 5/26/86	Shenanigans '86	NNJ		,NJ	35	Y 3 45	60	60				Allen Neuner	c
R	5/23/86 - 5/26/86	SYNRG '86	Gulf Coast	Westchase Hilton	Houston, TX	38	Y 3 39	40	40				Pat Spence	u
R	5/23/86 - 5/26/86	Sun Daze RG	San Diego Mensa		San Diego, CA								Bruce Ford	u
R	5/23/86 - 5/26/86	Beach Bash IX	Tampa Bay	Sheraton St. Petersburg	St. Petersburg, FL	30		48	48				Billie Noakes	u

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R	7/4/86 - 7/6/86	RG at the End of the Universe	Orange County		, CA								Bill Harvey	r
R	7/25/86 - 7/27/86	Midsummer Madness X	Cleveland Area	Marriott Cleveland Airpt.	Cleveland, OH	30	Y 3 40						Marty Matuson	r
R	8/1/86 - 8/3/86	Salt City RG	Central NY Mensa	Sheraton University Inn	Syracuse, NY	40	Y	55	55				Marian Carfagno	u
CP	8/1/86 - 8/3/86	Buena Vista Mini RG	High Mountain	(none)	Buena Vista, CO	0	N						King James Driver	u
R	8/7/86 - 8/10/86	Ring Gathering	Mensa of W. WA		Seattle, WA	33	Y 3 35	55	55				Wendy Pitre	r
CP	8/8/86 - 8/10/86	Wildwood Romp Mini RG	Vandalia Mensa	Buckskin Scout Camp	Pocahontas Co., WV	5	N	20	20					
R	8/15/86 - 8/17/86	Confederate Uprising #9	North Alabama	Holiday Inn Research Park	Huntsville, AL	35	Y 2	40	40				Teresa Marquand	r
R	8/22/86 - 8/24/86	Escape to Wisconsin RG	Mensa of Wisc.	Sheraton Racine	Racine, WI	35	Y 3	50	50					
R	8/22/86 - 8/24/86	Rainbow RG	Hawaii Mensa	Ala Moana American	Honolulu, HI	30		55	55				John Wilson	u
R	8/29/86 - 8/31/86	Buffalo Stampede RG	Mid-America		Kansas City, KS	30	Y 3 42	47	47				Cleve Garvin	r
R	8/29/86 - 9/1/86	Rivers 3 RG VI	Western PA	Airport Hilton Inn	Pittsburgh, PA	40	Y 5	50	50				Jack Adams	r
R	8/29/86 - 9/1/86	Asilomar XXII	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA		Y 0						Bennett Woll	c
R	9/5/86 - 9/7/86	Land O' Lakes RG*	Minnesota Mensa	Marriott Hotel	Bloomington, MN	30	Y 4 49	49	49			199	Sue Malaske	c
R	9/26/86 - 9/28/86	Peachtreat!	Atlanta Mensa	North Lake Hilton	Atlanta, GA	38	Y 2 28	44	44				Bambi Maxwell	u
R	9/26/86 - 9/28/86	Circle City Circus	Indianapolis	Airport Holiday Inn	Indianapolis, IN	35	Y 3 36	56	56				Kevin Shadle	u
R	10/3/86 - 10/5/86	Wholly Toledo	Maumee Valley		Toledo, OH								Cher Bumham	r
R	10/10/86 - 10/12/86	Borderland RG I	Borderline		Sierra Vista, AZ	40	Y 3 35	40	44			85	Mike Steiner	r
O	10/12/86 - 10/19/86	3rd Mensa Cruise S.G.	Maumee Valley	(none)	Caribbean,		Y 0			645	1290		Ronn Koester	c
R	10/17/86 - 10/19/86	Murder on the Akron Express	E. Central Ohio	Quaker Square Hilton	Akron, OH	30	Y 2 20	65	65				Karen Carmack	r
R	10/17/86 - 10/19/86	MensAutumn	CT & W. MA	Holiday Inn	Hartford, CT	35	Y 3 47	50	50				Ann Ledger	u
R	10/24/86 - 10/26/86	Sacramento RG	Sacramento		Sacramento, CA								Martha Baker	u
R	10/24/86 - 10/26/86	Space Coast Adventure: Take II	SCAM		Cocoa Beach, FL	30	Y 2 26	50	50				Helen Lee Moore	u
R	10/30/86 - 11/2/86	HalloweeM XI	Mensa of Illinois	Holiday Inn - Kennedy	Chicago, IL	30	Y	55	55			432	Cathy Sterrett	c
R	10/31/86 - 11/2/86	End of the Line RG	Chattanooga	Sheraton Inn South	Chattanooga, TN	28	Y 3 25	35	35				Debbie Parish	u
R	10/31/86 - 11/2/86	DVM Dutch Treat	DVM		Lancaster, PA	30	Y 3 60	95	150				Joy Gomez-Farrow	u
C	11/14/86 - 11/16/86	Colloquium III*	Kentuckiana	Seelbach Hotel	Louisville, KY	55	Y 3 43	49	49				Rose Lee Crutcher	c
R	11/21/86 - 11/23/86	MonuMental RG	MWM	Washington Hilton	Washington, DC	40	Y 3 60	58	58			337	Mike Tuchman	c
R	11/27/86 - 11/30/86	Feast of Pleasures and Delights	NTM	Sheraton Park Central	Dallas, TX	35	Y 3 59	45	45				Karen Fredd	c
R	11/28/86 - 11/30/86	New England Pilgrimage	Boston Mensa	Quality Inn	Worcester, MA	40	Y 3 33	42	47				Barbara Crowley	r
R	11/28/86 - 11/30/86	Phoenix Phiesta 8	Greater Phoenix	Heritage Hotel	Phoenix, AZ	30	Y 3 30	40	44				William Bushey	u
R	12/5/86 - 12/7/86	Zinzinnati RG #5	Cincinnati	Carrousel Inn	Cincinnati, OH	30	Y 3 37	48	48				Melinda Wakefield	u
Y	1/24/87 - 1/25/87	Future G	Gulf Coast		The Woodlands, TX					45			Judy Helmers	r
R	1/30/87 - 2/1/87	Groundhog IV	GaAla Mensa	La Quinta Motor Inn	Columbus, GA	35	Y 0						Gordon Maddox	u
R	2/13/87 - 2/15/87	4th Annual Great Dismal Swamp	Tidewater	Holiday Inn	Virginia Beach, VA	40	Y 2	20	25				George McCormick	r
R	2/27/87 - 3/1/87	Mensabury Tales	GLAAM	Highland Springs Resort	Beaumont, CA		Y 0			177	354		Carolyn Simon	r
R	2/27/87 - 3/1/87	Owlabama Blast #2	Central Alabama	Holiday Inn Medical Ctr.	Birmingham, AL	30	Y 2 23	47	47				Linda Kelso	u
R	3/13/87 - 3/15/87	Derbytown RG	Kentuckiana	Brown Hotel	Louisville, KY	25	Y	48	48					
R	3/27/87 - 3/29/87	Snowball XIII*	CNJ	Nassau Inn	Princeton, NJ	35	Y 3 65	65	65				Kathy Baan	r
R	4/3/87 - 4/5/87	Gateway RG '87	St. Louis Mensa		St. Louis, MO	38	Y 3 32	48	48				Jules Savan	u
R	4/24/87 - 4/26/87	Appalachian Spring #7	Smoky Mtn. Mensa		Knoxville, TN	35	Y 2 19	36	36				Jim Simmons	u
M	4/24/87 - 4/26/87	All-Nebraska Mini RG	Neb./W. Iowa	Holiday Inn	Grand Island, NE	25							George Kaywood	u
M	4/24/87 - 4/26/87	Mensa Murder Weekend II		Holiday Inn	Winter Haven, FL	45	Y 3 30						George Trepal	u

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R	5/1/87 - 5/3/87	SEMMantics IX	SEMM	Southfield Hilton	Southfield, MI	35	Y 3 46	55	55				Dan Burg	u
R	5/8/87 - 5/10/87	All Carolinah RG	C/BR	Holiday Inn Carowinds	Charlotte, NC	40	Y 3 30	48	48				Joe Barrett	u
R	5/15/87 - 5/17/87	Memphis in May RG	Memphis Mensa		Memphis, TN	29							Dorothy Gawehn	u
R	5/15/87 - 5/17/87	Beach Bash 10	Tampa Bay		St. Petersburg, FL	40	Y 3 35	32	32				Carol Dressel	u
R	5/22/87 - 5/25/87	Musical Shenanigans '87	NNJ	Ramada Inn	Montvale, NJ	35	Y 3 44	55	55					
R	5/22/87 - 5/25/87	Pocono I	Lehigh-Pocono	Allentown Hilton	Allentown, PA	30	Y	55	55				Sallie Banko	r
R	5/22/87 - 5/25/87	SYNRG '87 - Mindless Mensanity	Gulf Coast	Westchase Hilton	Houston, TX	38	Y 3 39	40	40				Brian Sarver	u
R	5/22/87 - 5/25/87	Maritime RG	San Diego Mensa	Holiday Inn Embacadero	San Diego, CA	55	Y 3 59	75	85				Dave Harper	r
R	5/29/87 - 5/31/87	Wine Country RG	SFRM	El Rancho Tropicana	Santa Rosa, CA	35	Y	47	57				Jeanne Ford	r
R	5/29/87 - 5/31/87	DAMnations	Dayton Area	Daytonian Hilton	Dayton, OH	40	Y 3 39	57	57				Bob Myers	u
R	6/19/87 - 6/21/87	Summer Solstice RG	Alaska Mensa		Anchorage, AK	35							Dick Garvin	u
R	6/19/87 - 6/21/87	Upper E. Tennessee RG #1	Upper E. Tenn.		Bristol, TN									
R	7/3/87 - 7/5/87	Orange Rush '87	Orange County		, CA								Barry Stone	r
R	7/31/87 - 8/2/87	Cleveland RG	Cleveland Area	Hollenden House Hotel	Cleveland, OH	35	Y 3 35	48	48				Peter Spearing	r
CP	7/31/87 - 8/2/87	Buena Vista Mini RG	High Mountain	(none)	Buena Vista, CO	10							King James Driver	u
R	8/7/87 - 8/9/87	Salt City III RG	Central NY Mensa	Sheraton University Inn	Syracuse, NY	35	Y 3 42	60	60				Marian Carfagno	u
CP	8/7/87 - 8/9/87	Wildwood Romp	Vandalia Mensa	Buckskin Scout Camp	Pocahontas Co., WV	5	N	25	50				Dan Parker	u
R	8/14/87 - 8/16/87	French Connection RG	TJM	Omni Charlottesville	Charlottesville, VA	45	Y 3 48	55	55				Didi Pancake	u
R	8/14/87 - 8/16/87	Confederate Uprising 10th Anniv.	North Alabama	Holiday Inn Research Park	Huntsville, AL	40	Y 3	40	40				Curtis Loftus	u
M	8/21/87 - 8/23/87	Indiana All Fun Fest	Indianapolis	Brown County State Pk.	Nashville, IN	30	Y 2 19	33	33				Bill Gough	u
R	8/28/87 - 8/30/87	Badger Bash/WiscoM RG '87	Mensa of Wisc.	Midway Motor Lodge	Brookfield, WI	35		55	55					
R	9/4/87 - 9/6/87	First Ever Alferd G. Packer RG	Plains & Peaks		Colorado Springs,									
R	9/4/87 - 9/7/87	Rivers 3 RG	Western PA	Monroeville Marriott	Monroeville, PA	40	Y 60	59	59				Sandy Topping	r
R	9/5/87 - 9/7/87	Asilomar XXIII	Asilomar Cmte.	Asilomar Conference Ctr.	Pacific Grove, CA								P.K. O'Meagher	c
R	9/11/87 - 9/13/87	This is the Place RG*	Utah Mensa	Radisson Salt Lake	Salt Lake City, UT	40	Y 2 30	50	60				Jill Hartman	u
R	9/18/87 - 9/20/87	Wholly Toledo RG	Maumee Valley		Toledo, OH	35	Y 3 21	50	59				Cher Burnham	r
R	9/18/87 - 9/20/87	Land O' Lakes RG	Minnesota Mensa	Thunderbird Motel	Bloomington, MN	30	Y 4	45	51			141	Judy Andersen	c
R	10/2/87 - 10/4/87	Fire and Water RG	Oregon Mensa		Portland, OR								Stan Foss	u
R	10/9/87 - 10/11/87	Borderland RG II	Borderline	Ramada Inn	Sierra Vista, AZ	40	Y 3 35	39	39			49	Mike Steiner	c
R	10/16/87 - 10/18/87	C & WM 25th Anniversary RG	CT & W. MA	Westin Hotel	Stamford, CT	35	Y 3 49	55	60				Ann Ledger	u
R	10/30/87 - 11/1/87	FloRanGe Fantasy Too	Broward	Marriott Cyprus Creek	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	35	Y 3 38	53	53				Mona Weiss	u
R	10/30/87 - 11/1/87	Gold Country RG	Sacramento		Sacramento, CA								Debbie Bickford	r
R	10/30/87 - 11/1/87	DiVertiMento VI	DVM	Viscount Hotel	Philadelphia, PA	35	Y 2 27	50	50				Arlyn Bell	r
R	10/30/87 - 11/1/87	HalloweeM XII	Mensa of Illinois	Ramada Inn O'Hare	Rosemont, IL	30	Y 3 50	55	55			600	Patricia Meyer	r
R	11/6/87 - 11/8/87	Sidetrack RG	Chattanooga	Sheraton City Center	Chattanooga, TN	35	Y 2 24	49	49				T. Overbeck	u
R	11/26/87 - 11/29/87	Holiday on the River RG	San Antonio	Holiday Inn Riverwalk	San Antonio, TX	40	Y 2 32	47	47					
R	11/27/87 - 11/29/87	New England Pilgrimage	Boston Mensa	Park Plaza Hotel	Boston, MA	40	Y 3 58	48	48				John Coons	r
R	11/27/87 - 11/29/87	First Annual Urban RG	SFRM		San Francisco, CA								David Whitney	u
R	11/27/87 - 11/29/87	Phoenix Phiesta 9	Greater Phoenix	Westcourt Metrocenter	Phoenix, AZ	40	Y 3 54	68	72				Nancy Gill	r
R	12/4/87 - 12/6/87	Zinzinnati RG #6	Cincinnati	Carrousel Inn	Cincinnati, OH	32	Y 3 39	48	48				Verona Bennetto	r
R	12/4/87 - 12/6/87	Buffalo Stampede RG*	Mid-America		Kansas City, KS	35	Y 3 40	48	48				Tony Jackowski	u
R	12/11/87 - 12/13/87	Snowfest at Sun Valley RG	SW ID & SE ID		Sun Valley, ID								Tony Hulse	u

SECTION 6

INTERNATIONAL MENSA: AN OVERVIEW

International Mensa

A Brief History of Mensa's International Structure

Mensa was, for all intents and purposes, an exclusively British club from its beginnings in 1946 up until 1960. The establishment of a branch in America in the fall of 1960, with its subsequent rapid growth, brought forth the inevitable issue of co-existing national Mensa groups versus one international group (with many branches). Since Roland Berrill had felt that a formal constitution was unnecessary, Mensa had never had anything but the most rudimentary official structure. As Mensa grew, however, the adequacy of the informal governmental and organizational structure came under fire and discussions began on the adoption of a formal constitution. In 1961, a referendum was held to determine if a formal constitution should be written. That vote, in August 1961, failed (153 for, 418 against, 3 abstentions). For the next few years, almost all matters continued to be handled through the governing (British) board in London.

At the November 1963 Annual General Meeting in London, the membership approved a policy on the structuring of an "international" Mensa, and separation of the international board from the British board. This policy provided for the drafting and membership approval of a constitution, with subsequent elections to fill the posts created by it. The first "formal" international constitution was approved in June 1964 (2,206 for, 264 against); it provided for 8 officers (Chairman, General Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Officer, Developments Officer, Editorial Committee Chair, Research Committee Chair and Premises Committee Chair). It further provided for one representative from each of the recognized national Mensa groups (United Nations style - without regard to group size). In September 1964, the first election was held, with the Wilson/Serebriakoff panel receiving the most votes (by about 4 to 1). The "panel," or "slate" system of voting is still used in International Mensa elections today (although there had not been a contested international election in many years until recently).

Another provision of the 1964 constitution was the establishment of Mensa as a legal entity. After considerable work, **Intermensa, Ltd.** was incorporated as a "holding company" on May 7, 1965. Maurice Salzedo, a solicitor and active British Mensan, became Secretary of the Corporation. It is interesting to note that in 1965, the name "Mensa" was already in use in another corporate name and thus the preferred "Mensa International, Ltd." could not be used.

In late 1969, a major reshuffling of the International General Committee (IGC) took place, following which several substantial constitutional amendments were proposed, approved and enacted. Although the people and the "job titles" were in seemingly constant flux throughout the 1970's, the IGC nevertheless remained essentially intact. By 1980, however, the inequities of the U.N.-style system (from the large groups' perspective) had generated serious problems. The United States, with over 30,000 members (and a large financial obligation to International Mensa), had but one vote, the same as the Ivory Coast, which had only 10 members and virtually no financial obligation. Following a period of contentiousness, and several unsuccessful attempts to create acceptable drafts of a revised constitution, Hyman Brock (the Chairman of Mensa Canada at that time) brought the major players together in Miami and a compromise ("The Miami Pact") was hammered out on October 31, 1981.

The subsequently-approved constitutional changes and election dramatically altered the composition of the international governing body. Two boards were created: the IGC (International General Council), consisting of the International Chairman and the CEOs of all recognized national Mensas (with some qualifications). This body generally acts in an advisory capacity to the second board, the IBD (International Board of Directors). The IBD consists of the International Chairman, Director of Administration, Director of Development and Treasurer (the four elected International Officers), along with representatives ("Nat Reps") chosen by each recognized national Mensa meeting a specified minimum membership level. The number of votes allocated to each national Mensa is based on its membership, with no group carrying more than 40% of the votes and no Nat Rep carrying more than three votes. The IBD sets policy, giving consideration to IGC advice. Ongoing management decisions are made by the Executive Committee, consisting of the

four elected officers plus the CEOs of American and British Mensa.

The vote approving the above changes took effect at the end of April 1982. The Society was officially without officers from May 1, 1982 until July 1, 1982, when the newly-elected officials took office. Nevertheless, for continuity purposes, the outgoing IGC voted to allow the incoming officers to assume their duties on an unofficial basis as of May 1, 1982.

In 1976, Mensa International, Ltd., another corporate entity, was incorporated in England. It co-existed with Intermensa, Ltd. from 1976 to 1985. Intermensa, Ltd. was dissolved in May 1985 in favor of MIL for legal reasons.

Finally, the requirements for voting representation on the IGC/IBD have been modified numerous times throughout the years. In the following sections, no attempt has been made to confirm that the individuals listed were actually entitled to vote at all times during their tenure. Moreover, appointed officers often had voting rights prior to 1982, but it has proven too difficult (so far) to determine which ones had voting rights during any specific meeting. Finally, no attempt has been made to compile a comprehensive history of each National Mensa; only basic information has been compiled, and even that has sometimes been based on less than iron-clad data.

As a general caveat to the reader, the information in this "International" section is not as reliable as the information in the American Mensa sections, even though I have spent over a thousand hours researching and compiling this information. My goal has been to make the data as reliable as possible, and most of it is reasonably accurate. The information should be useful for most purposes and for general enlightenment. With the reader's assistance in seeking out corrections and additions, I'm confident that future revisions will be more comprehensive, accurate, and reliable.

International Mensa Officers

current elected positions

International Chairman

Joseph Wilson	before 1959 - 02/68
Alan J. Mayne	02/68 - 11/69
Frank E.G. Weil	11/69 - 12/70
Victor Serebriakoff	01/71 - 04/82
Hyman Brock	07/82 - 06/87
David Schulman	07/87 - 06/91
Velma Jeremiah	07/91 - 06/95
Udo Schultz	07/95 -

Treasurer

Stephen F. Russell	11/59 - 06/64
Allen Jones	06/64 - 05/65
Brian Hershman*	05/65 - 09/66
George C. Crawshay*	06/66 - 09/66
Peter I. Burden*	06/66 - 02/68
Anthony F. Littman	02/68 - 10/69
Maurice B. Stafford (acting)	10/69 - 01/70
Herman B. Blumenthal	01/70 - 12/73
David G. Warren	01/74 - 12/76
Arthur H. Gardner	01/77 - 04/82
Leonard L. Rickard	07/82 - 06/85
Velma Jeremiah	07/85 - 06/89
Erich Baumeister	07/89 - 06/91
Godwin D. Zwanenburg	07/91 - 06/95
Neil R. Goulder	07/95 - 08/97
Arthur Mattson	09/97 -

* joint Financial Officers from 6/66 - 9/66: Crawshay, Hershman and Burden

Development Officer (prior to 7/82) / Director, Development (7/82 -)

Alan Stableford	10/62 - 10/66
Audrey le Lievre	10/66 - 02/68
Bob van den Bosch	02/68 - 11/69
Alan Henderson	11/69 - 04/71
Bob van den Bosch	04/71 - 01/72
Nils Kleinjan	02/72 - 12/73
Robert Lehr	01/74 - 07/74
Anthony Hill	10/74 - 12/79
Karl Schnölzer	01/80 - 04/82
Katia Chestopalov	07/82 - 06/85
(Mr.) Anne Snippe	07/85 - 01/86
Helen L. Kupper	04/86 - 06/91
Udo Schultz	07/91 - 06/95
Chitra J. (Schneider) Nathan	07/95 - 06/97
Annette Kunz	06/97 -

Premises Committee Chair (P) / **Administration Officer** (A) / **Director, Administration** (7/82 -)

John Simpkins (P)	01/62 - 02/68
Derick J. Behrens (P)	02/68 - 07/69
Raymond S.S. Allen (P - acting)	07/69 - 10/69
Joseph Frisch (P)	11/69 - 12/70
Raymond S.S. Allen (P)	01/71 - 12/73
Raymond S.S. Allen (A)	04/69 - 01/70
Raymond S.S. Allen (A)	01/74 - 10/74
John Nye (A)	11/75 - 12/76
Gabriel Werba (A/P)	01/77 - 12/79
Jan Williams (A/P)	01/80 - 04/82
Nils Kleinjan	07/82 - 04/84
David Schulman	06/84 - 06/87
Margaret (Clark) Kavanagh	07/87 - 06/89
Velma Jeremiah	07/89 - 06/91
Richard Kirby	07/91 - 06/93
Neil R. Goulder	07/93 - 06/95
Godwin D. Zwanenburg	07/95 -

current honorary positions

Honorary President

Sir Cyril Burt	01/60 - 10/71
R. Buckminster Fuller	12/73 - 04/82
Victor Serebriakoff	07/82 -

Honorary Vice President(s)

Dr. Lancelot Lionel Ware	07/69 - 04/82
Dr. Isaac Asimov	06/74 - 12/89
Jean M. Auel	07/91 - 10/97
Donald E. Petersen	07/91 - 10/97

Fons et Origo

Dr. Lancelot Lionel Ware	07/82 -

current appointed positions

Testing Procedures (T) (1960 - 1963) / **Psychological Advisor** (P) (1960 - 1977) / **International Supervisory Psychologist** (S) (1977 -)

Barry Bowman (T)	05/60 - 04/62
Dr. Conrad Graham (P)	07/60 - 11/61
Dr. Robert T. Green (P)	10/62 - 12/63
Deirdre Cass (Sparrow) (T)	06/62 - 09/63
Dr. James Sacks (P)	11/64 - 12/66
Dr. Alan H. Frankle (P)	01/67 - 03/68
Dr. Harrington Gosling (P)	03/68 - 12/73
Dr. Pierre Lasserre (P)	01/74 - 08/74
Dr. Howard Capelin (P)	10/74 - 01/76
Dr. Philip Vernon (P)	02/76 - 01/77
Dr. Thomas Oakland (S)(1)	04/77 - 10/80
Dr. Peter Saville (S)(2)	05/77 - 06/79
Dr. Abbie F. Salny (S)(3)	07/79 -

(1) Western Hemisphere, 05/77 - 10/80
(2) Eastern Hemisphere (European), 05/77 - 06/79
(3) Eastern Hemisphere, 07/79 - 10/80
Sole International Supervisory Psychologist, as of 11/09/80

Assistant International Supervisory Psychologist

Dr. Caroline E. Mossip	10/97 -

International Ombudsman

Eric Hills	10/68 - 06/85
George Thomas	07/85 - 01/89
Richard Crawford	03/89 - 10/92
Rod R. Vickers	10/92 - 11/95
Julian Parr	11/95 - 05/97
Francesca Quint	10/97 -

International SIGs Officer / SIGs Coordinator

Herman Blumenthal*	03/69 - 05/70
Lorraine Boyce	06/70 - 12/73
Nicola Rees	07/74 - 07/76
Terry Paget	09/76 - 12/79
Jean-Marc Lofficier	12/79 - 12/80
Tom Napier	02/81 - 10/84
Bob van den Bosch	10/84 - 08/85
Arul Inthirarajah	06/87 - 08/89
Ahmad Zaki Embi	09/89 - 12/92
Low Keng Lok	01/93 - 04/94
Dr. Andrzej M. Fal	06/94 - 10/97
Roger-A Rousseau-R	10/97 -

* Projects Officer; The SIGs Coordinator position was officially established in February 1983.

SIGHT Coordinator

June A. Solntseff	04/67 - 07/69
Nigel Searle, et alia	08/69 - 11/70
June A. Solntseff	12/70 - 12/71
Ian Palmer	01/72 - 06/74
Wiff Middleton	07/74 - 05/75
David J. Lally (acting)	07/75 - 06/76

Josephine Bacon	07/76 - 12/79
Rose Ashford	12/79 - 10/83
Josephine Bacon	10/83 - 03/87
Faith J. Cormier	05/87 -

SIGHT Coordinator position officially established in February 1983.

Archivist

Anthony Brown	11/75 - 12/76
David J. Lally	04/84 - 09/89
Jan Evans	10/89 - 10/91
Vincent F. Bonzagni	03/92 -

Constitution Review Subcommittee Chair / Constitution Review Officer (10/93 -)

Gabriel Werba	05/80 - 04/82
Charles M. Fallon	07/82 - 09/83
Velma Jeremiah	10/83 - 10/85
Anne Huckle	10/85 - 10/89
Julian Parr	10/89 - 11/92
Frank E.G. Weil	11/92 - 09/93
Frank R. Parth	10/93 -

Gifted Children's Coordinator (Gifted Child Programme Coordinator)

Darrell McDonald*	05/75 - 03/76
Carolyn Mellor	07/76 - *02/81*
Hasso Streger	11/88 - *05/90*
Edu Braat	10/90 - 12/91
Dr. Ida Fleiss	12/91 -

* "Convenor of the Gifted Children Sub-Committee"

MensaMATE Coordinator
"Mensans Around The Earth."

Virginia Host	10/90 - 07/93
K.H. Wickremasinghe	07/93 - 10/97
Rossy Alexieva	10/97 -

Chairman - Name & Logo Committee

Daniel R. Dozier	10/92 - 10/97
Mark Levy	10/97 -

Chairman - Licensing Committee

Mark Griffin	10/93 -

Research Committee Chair / International Research Officer (Coordinator)

John W. Crofts	11/59 - 01/62
Eric Hills	05/62 - 08/66
Dr. John Radford	*1967*
Hugh C.W. Stockbridge	02/68 - 12/68
William Skiben	02/69 - 10/69
Dr. Max L. Fogel	01/70 - 12/73
Dr. Pierre Lasserre	01/74 - 08/74
Dr. Howard Capelin	10/74 - 06/76
Dr. Philip M. Powell	07/76 - 04/82
Dr. Shawn Haley	09/92 - *1994*
Dr. Caroline E. Mossip	*06/95* -

International Boutique Coordinator

Mark S. Hutchenreuther	10/95 - 10/97
Daniel Chenault	10/97 -

World Wide Web Coordinator

David Shaw	*03/96* - 08/96
Phil Hill	08/96 -

Election Committee Chair

Velma Jeremiah	1983
Fred Schumacher	1985
Fred Schumacher	1987
Lee Loy Fatt	1989
Russ Washburne	1991
Richard Aihoshi	1993
Jill Curran	1995
Judy Rombold*	1997
Nils Kleinjan	1998

* died prior to election, which was then postponed.

Executive Director

Harold Gale	04/76 - 10/84
Douglas Davies	01/85 - 12/85
Edward J. Vincent	04/86 -

all non-current positions

International General Secretary

Victor Serebriakoff	1964 - 02/68
Joseph Frisch	02/68 - 11/69
Bob van den Bosch	11/69 - 04/71

Nigel Searle	04/71 - 12/73
Ian Palmer	01/74 - 12/76
George Hopkins	01/77 - 12/79
Madsen Pirie	01/80 - 04/82

Assistant General Secretary

David H.Jones	03/68 - 01/70
Stuart Friedman (U.S.)	01/70 - 06/70
Nigel Searle (U.K.)	04/70 - 04/71
Marvin Grosswirth (U.S.)	01/71 - 06/73
Larch Brade (S.E. Asia)	01/71 - 11/71

Vice Chairman

Frank E.G. Weil	03/68 - 11/69
Anthony F. Littman	11/69 - 12/70
Stuart Friedman	01/71 - 12/73

President Emeritus

R. Buckminster Fuller	07/82 - 07/83

Membership Officer

Joyce R. Mumford	09/59 - 08/66
John Corser	11/66 - 10/67
Sondra T. Jorgensen	02/68 - 08/69
Adrian Visser	08/69 - 12/73
Antony M. Leyland	01/74 - 06/74
Nicola Rees (acting)	07/74 - 07/76
Harold Gale*	07/76 - 12/76
David G. Warren	01/77 - 12/79
James G. Sprague	01/80 - 04/82

* as Executive Director, handled M.O. duties for a time.

International Counsellor(s)

Alan J. Mayne	11/69 - 12/70
Anthony F. Littman	01/71 - 12/73
Frank E.G. Weil	01/71 - 12/73

Chair, Editorial Committee (1960 - 1973) / Publications Officer (1974 - 1982)

Joyce R. Mumford	08/60 - 08/63
David Mason	09/63 - 02/65
Max Wyman	03/65 - 11/65
Peter Goodman	12/65 - 12/66
Tony Buzan	01/67 - 01/68
Nat Freedland	02/68 - 12/68
Linn B. Weil (acting)	12/68 - 06/69
Terrence D.C. Kuch	08/69 - 12/70
Mary Jane Watson	01/71 - 12/73
George W. Atherton	01/74 - 01/82

Public Relations Officer

Jack Catran	04/69 - 01/70
Victor Serebriakoff (acting)	06/70 - 12/70
John Bainbridge	01/71 - 12/73

Assistant Public Relations Officer

Roy Crofts	04/69 - *07/69*
Doris Patterson	06/70 - 12/73

Publicity Officer

John J. Codella	06/64 - *12/66*
Jay Albrecht	02/68 - 12/70

Advertising Officer

Geoffrey Tucker	07/59 - 10/60
Ian Sparrow	11/60 - 09/63
Jay C. Levinson	02/68 - 07/69

Conferences & Gatherings

Eric Hills	06/60 - 09/64
Win Serebriakoff	10/64 - *12/66*

Regional Groups Organisor (to 5/63)
Groups Advisor (9/63 - 10/67)
Chair, Local Groups Advisory Committee (2/68 - 12/70)

John DeVilliers	*06/59* - 08/59
Maurice Salzedo	09/59 - 05/60
Eric Hills	05/60 - 05/62
Audrey Petitt	07/62 - 05/63
Alan Featherstone	09/63 - 12/63
John Burns	*02/64* - 09/64
Evelyn Glor	10/64 - 10/67
Rosemary Bertrand	02/68 - 11/68
Fred Fishell	12/68 - 09/70

Assistant Development Officer(s)

Audrey le Lievre	12/65 - 10/66
Alan Henderson	04/67 - 10/69
Helena Jones Ferreira	08/69 - 12/73
Ian Palmer	06/70 - 12/70

Joan Murphy	04/71 - 12/73
Philip Trubey	12/72 - 12/73
Tony Hill	09/74 - 10/74
Anton Klassert	09/74 - *12/74*
Jean-Marc Lofficier	09/74 - 07/79
David J. Lally	10/74 - 12/79
Josephine Bacon	05/76 - 0 7/79
Ian Palmer	01/77 - 07/79
Harry Schacter	01/77 - 03/79
Karl Schnölzer	09/78 - 07/79

International Developments Coordinator

George Childs	04/69 - *07/72*

Assistant Treasurer

Michael Harris	*1966*
David Grugeon	*08/67 - 10/67*
Saul Sussman	02/68 - *11/68*
David G. Warren	01/70 - 12/73
Sara Fairweather	11/75 - 08/76
Jack Eames	09/76 - 12/76
David G. Warren	01/77 - 12/79
Derrick A. Ware	01/80 - 04/80

Finance Officer

Allen Jones	05/65 - 09/66
Brian Hershman and George Crawshay	09/66 - *12/66*
Maurice B. Stafford	02/68 - 03/70
L. Martin Miller	04/70 - 12/73

Comptroller

John W. Mitchell	02/68 - 12/69
Arnold Coopersmith	04/70 - 12/73

Bursar

Norman Greenspun	01/70 - 12/73

American IGC Agent

Stuart Friedman	*03/68* - 11/69

American IGC Financial Agent

Sander Rubin	*03/68* - 06/69

Selection Officer

Richard J. Roberts	03/68 - 12/70

Assistant Selection Officer

Michael M. Brown	03/68 - 06/68
T. Robert Torrance	07/69 - 12/70

American Continent Officer

Peter A. Sturgeon	06/64 - 05/65

(continued on Committee until 3/66)

Data Processing Officer

Terrence D.C. Kuch	03/68 - 06/69

Recording Secretary

Julian Parr	09/74 - 04/76

Legal Adviser(s)

Herbert E. Selwyn	03/68 - 12/73
Peter Cottis	04/69 - 12/73
Lawrence Bentley	07/76 - *01/77*

Advisor, Social Research

John A. Samuels	03/68 - *05/68*
Cary Horch	10/68 - 12/73

Advisor, Psychological Research

Dr. Peter C.R. Craft	03/68 - *05/68*
Dr. Robert Green	01/69 - 12/70

Vice Chair, Premises Committee

Jules Salkin	01/70 - 12/70

Vice Chair, Research Committee

William Skiben	03/68 - 01/69
Dr. Robert Green	02/69 - 05/69

Member-at-Large

Ivan Robinson	04/70 - 08/70
Raymond S.S. Allen	09/70 - 12/70
Nikki Ramsey	09/70 - 11/70

Mensa Register Officer

Terrence D.C. Kuch	06/69 - 10/69
Peter van Rood	01/70 - 11/72

Women's Recruitment

Vera Fischhof	05/66 - 10/67

Editor: *Mensa Register*

Ira Soloman	03/68 - 05/69
Terrence D.C. Kuch	06/69 - 08/69
Peter van Rood	11/69 - 11/72

Director/Editor: *Mensa News Service*

Peter Macarte	07/66 - 11/66
Thomas W. Hamilton	04/68 - 01/70
Bernard J. Sussman	09/70 - 01/71
Guy Haas	02/71 - 06/72

Editor: *Mensa Press*

Dagmar Völkl	07/80 - 01/81

Editor: *Mensa Newswire*

Caroline Thaung	11/89 - 10/91
Pernille Anduin	10/91 - 09/93

IGC and IBD meetings

Meetings of the first five IGCs (1965 - 1979) generally met in London at approximately six-week intervals. During the 2nd IGC (1968 - 1970), the venue generally alternated between London and New York City. Other meeting locations prior to 1980 included the following: Frankfort, Germany (June 4, 1966 and October 5, 1969); Lugano, Switzerland (May 13, 1967); The Hague, Netherlands (October 4-6, 1968); San Francisco, California, USA (June 28, 1969); Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA (June 21, 1970, November 22, 1970, November 6, 1971, and July 16, 1972); Brussels, Belgium (September 13, 1970); Paris, France (April 24-25, 1971, April 6, 1975, June 29, 1975, April 16-17, 1977, and September 24, 1978); Annapolis, Maryland, USA (August 1, 1971); Aachen, Germany (April 1972); Baarn, Netherlands (October 13, 1973); Cothen, Netherlands (February 22, 1976).

February 24, 1980
London, U.K.
May 4, 1980
Charlotte, North Carolina, U.S.A.
August 31, 1980
Cambridge, U.K.
November 8-9, 1980
Athens, Greece
February 21-22, 1981
Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A.
June 6-7, 1981
Oslo, Norway
August 21-23, 1981
Graz, Austria*
January 22-24, 1982
London, U.K. (old IGC)
July 14, 1982
Toronto, Ontario, Canada* (IBD)
December 3-5, 1982
London, U.K. (new IGC)
February 19, 1983
Aukland, New Zealand (IBD)
October 8-9, 1983
Nice, France (IGC & IBD)
March 30, 1984
St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A. (IGC)
April 28, 1984
Dublin, Ireland (IBD)
October 10-13, 1984
Kerkrade, Netherlands (IGC & IBD)
May 9-10, 1985
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada (IBD)
October 10-13, 1985
Rome, Italy (IGC & IBD)

Beginning September 1986, all meetings have been combined IGC/IBD meetings.

April 25-29, 1986
Brussels, Belgium (IBD)
September 26-28, 1986
London, U.K.
October 15-18, 1987
Berlin, West Germany

September 30 - October 4, 1988
Athens, Greece
October 13-16, 1989
Lisbon, Portugal
October 19-21, 1990
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
October 11-13, 1991
Budapest, Hungary
November 3-5, 1992
Amsterdam, Netherlands**
October 1-3, 1993
Sitges, Spain
October 7-11, 1994
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
October 6-9, 1995
Helsinki, Finland
August 24-26, 1996
London, U.K.***
October 3-6, 1997
Hamburg, Germany

* In conjunction with International Congress
** In conjunction with International "Braindance" gathering in Flevohof
*** In conjunction with 50th Anniversary celebrations

national mensas

National Representatives

Notes: (1) A "(c)" indicates that the individual was the "chairman" (or "president," whichever term is used to describe the chief executive officer of the national Mensa group) of the National Mensa;
(2) A "(nr)" indicates that the individual was the IGC/ IBD "Nat Rep" and that another person was the chairman;
(3) The absence of an annotation means that the individual was the Nat Rep - the individual may or may not have also been the chairman.

current national mensas

Australia

Australian Mensa was founded by Marjorie Meakins in October 1964 with about 20 members of British Mensa. From March through October 1965, Christopher Robinson was the "Australian Agent." Its first governing committee was formed in November 1965. There were 12 Mensa members in Australia in December 1963; Australian Mensa had 16 members as of May 1965 and 156 in August 1966. It has had full membership status since late 1960's and IBD representation since 1982. August 1997 membership was about 870. The national publication is entitled *TableAus*.

Jeff Whittle	11/65 - 08/66
Eric Wigglesworth	09/66 - *05/68*
Kenneth McPhee	12/68 - 03/69
Larch T. Brade	04/69 - 04/72
Edward Curry	04/72 - 12/74
Sidney Jackson	04/75 - 06/75
John D. Greenway	07/75 - 10/81
H.G. "George" Thomas	10/81 - 03/83
Jeff Whittle	04/83 - 03/85
Anne Huckle	04/85 - 06/89
W.J.G. (Bill) Fisher	07/89 - 06/93
Therese Moodie-Bloom	07/93 -

Belgium

Belga Mensa was combined with Dutch Mensa until November 1966. At the time, there were about 5 members living in Belgium. The group was founded by Edouard Valencijns (var. "Valencyns"), who also acted as Mensa Selection Agent. In 1968, legal problems began to develop. A "new" Belga Mensa was recognized in April 1969, with Herman Stenuit as chairman (4/69 - 6/70). For a time, there were two co-existing Mensa groups in Belgium, one called "Rotunda Belgium." This group eventually emerged from the court battles as the sole Belgian Mensa. It has had full membership status since at least 1981; IBD representation was effective August 1996. The group became Mensa Belgium-Luxembourg in March 1984 (although Luxembourg Mensans had been members of Belgian Mensa since 1972). August 1997 membership was 596. The national publication is entitled *Commensal: Mensa Belgium-Luxembourg*.

Edouard Valencijns	11/66 - 08/68
Herman de Vos	04/69 - 08/69
Guido van Belle	09/69 - 04/71
Elizabeth Elliker-Franckson	07/71 - 03/76
Kris Roose	04/76 - 09/78
Herman de Vos	10/78 - 01/81
Freddy Huygen (c)	01/81 - 01/82
Marc Renquet (nr)	01/81 - 01/82
Bernard Senault (c)	01/82 - 05/85
Freddy Huygen (nr)	01/82 - *05/82*
Didier Racheneur	06/85 - 12/86
André Jacquet	01/87 -

Canada

Mensa Canada was part of "North American Mensa" until June 1967. The group was founded by Henry David Yee. It has had full membership status since the 1970's and IBD representation since 1982. August 1997 membership was about 2,165. The national publication is entitled *MC2*.

Henry David Yee	06/67 - 08/67
Gordon Haliburton	08/67 - 03/69
Robert W. Cumming	04/69 - 06/70
B.C. (Cleo) Boudreault	06/70 - 06/72
Peter Dobbing	06/72 - 06/74
Sue Sparrow	06/74 - 06/75
Darrell McDonald (c)	06/75 - 06/76
Sue Sparrow (nr)	06/75 - 01/76
Bruce Hunter (c)	06/76 - *10/76*
Bruce Hunter (nr)	06/76
Peter D. Dupuy	03/77 - 06/77
Beverly Burgess	06/77 - 06/79
Peter D. Dupuy	06/79 - 06/80
Hyman Brock	06/80 - 06/82
Sue Sparrow	07/82 - 06/84
Catherine Ford	06/84 - 06/90
K.H. Wickremasinghe ("Wicks")	06/90 - 06/92
Joel Matthews	06/92 - 06/93
Angela Spitz (acting)	07/93 - 08/93
Eric Matto	08/93 - 06/96
Bill Eggertson	06/96 -

Channel Islands

Channel Islands ("C.I.") Mensa was founded in 1974 by the late Philip S. Poole. IGC recognition was granted on June 16, 1974, and an inaugural celebration was held September 20-22, 1974. The group has had full membership status since its founding and IBD representation since 1987. It has the highest population penetration (by far) of any National Mensa (3,130 members per million population, as of 1995). August 1997 membership was about 213. The national publication is entitled *Thinks*.

Philip S. Poole	06/74 - 01/90
Dr. Jacqueline Berlet	02/90 - 01/95
Denise R. Siddons	01/95 - 10/95
Christine Apsey	10/95 - *01/96*
John Germain	*05/96* -

Czech Republic

Mensa Czechoslovakia (Ceské republiky) was founded in 1989 by Hana Drabkova. Interestingly, she had been mentioned in the minutes of the September 1968 IGC meeting as being interested in starting a group. Provisional Mensa status was conferred in October 1991. In January 1993, when Czechoslovakia split into the Czech Republic and Slovakia, the Czech Republic Mensa reverted to an "emerging" Mensa, but with credit for the time spent in provisional status. It obtained both full membership status and IBD representation in October 1994. August 1997 membership was 1,320. The national publication is entitled *Mensa Journal*.

Jan Fikácek (c)	07/91 - 06/97
Jirka Belohlávek (liaison)	10/92 - 06/97
Jirka Belohlávek	07/97 -

Denmark

Martin Baram was the Mensa Selection Agent as of July 1966. He was one of only two members in Denmark listed in the 1963/1964 and 1966 Mensa Registers. Nicky Palmer was appointed Selection Agent for Denmark in April 1976; it was reported at the time that "good progress" was being made there. There was no further mention of an organized Mensa in Denmark until 1982, which is now considered as the year of its founding. Mensa Danmark has had IBD representation since September 1992. August 1997 membership was 552. The national publication is entitled *Forum Mentum*.

Karen Fleischer	*1982*
Eigel B. Hansen	*1982* - 04/87
Carsten Lenum	04/87 - 04/88
Pernille Anduin	04/88 - 04/91
Maria McGrail	04/91 - 04/93
Scott Jay Ramsey	04/93 -

Finland

Mensa Finland (Suomen Mensa) was founded in December 1966 by Robert von Bahr, who also served as Selection Agent at the time. The "foundation meeting" was held on December 3, 1966. The group has had full membership status since at least 1982 and IBD representation since 1985. August 1997 membership was 1,269. The national publication is

entitled *Mensalainen*. Osmo Ranta served as International Liaison from 1991 to 1995.

Robert von Bahr	12/66 - 09/67
Stig Blomquist	10/67 - 03/69
Birgit (Saarvo) Buss	04/69 - 10/73
Jorma Mäkinen	10/73 - 12/74
Torsti Kivistö	12/74 - 12/75
Esko Ruohtula	04/76 - 03/80
Jorma Virtanen	04/80 - 12/80
Kari Halmetoja	01/81 - 12/82
Osmo Ranta	01/83 - 12/89
Ossi Kuljukka	01/90 - 12/90
Seppo Jarvinen (c)	01/91 - 09/94
Osmo Ranta (liaison)	10/91 - *1995*
Leo Sutinen (c)	09/94 -

France

The first meeting of Mensa France was held on March 13, 1965. Prior to that time, there had been nine Mensa members living in France in December 1963. There were 30 members in May 1965, 134 in August 1966, and 170 in November 1966. The "Founder" was Rosemary Bertrand, who served as Selection Agent in the early years. The first "President" was Marianne Seydoux. The group has had full membership status since at least 1968 and IBD representation since 1982. August 1997 membership was 509. The national publications are entitled *Quipos, Liaison* and *Mensa Contacts*. François Adrien served as "International Liaison" from 1986 to 1996. Recent Presidents of Mensa France have been Nils Kleinjan (since April 1996), Henri Delekta (July 1993 - April 1996), and Carlos Parra-Perez (*1986* - July 1993).

Rosemary Bertrand	06/65 - *02/67*
André Bokor	*05/67* - 12/67
F. Chatel	12/67 - *1968*
Marianne Seydoux	*08/68* - *03/74*
Jean-Marc Lofficier	04/74 - 07/79
Thierry Carabin	04/80 - 05/81
Jacqueline Bellanger (proxy/liaison 1983-1986)	06/81 - *01/86*
François Adrien (liaison)	*07/86* - *02/96*
Nils Kleinjan	*04/96* -

Germany

German Mensa was founded in June 1966 by Dr. Herbert Steiner, who also acted as Selection Agent at the time. There were 49 members in August 1966, up from 11 in December 1963. The group was recognized until September 24, 1978, when the IGC "de-recognized" German Mensa due to its financial problems. It was reestablished on May 4, 1980 as a "Regional Group of Mensa." Provisional status was granted in June 1981. Full status was granted again in October 1985. The group has had IBD representation since October 1987. The group is now known as Mensa in Deutschland E.V. (MinD). August 1997 membership was about 1,900. The national publication is entitled *Bagatelle*.

Herbert Steiner	06/66 - 09/67
Werner Bruns	10/67 - 07/72
Helmut Krause	12/72 - 12/74
Anton Klassert (c)	*12/74* - 11/76
Martina Steinhardt (nr)	12/74 - 03/76
Karl Schnölzer (nr)	04/76 - 10/76
Anton Klassert	12/76 - 09/78
Anton Klassert	*05/80* - *1982*
Julian Parr	*1982* - *10/83*
Udo Schultz	*04/84* - 04/91
Hans Lippmann	04/91 - 04/92
Margot Schmied	04/92 - 04/94
Gunter Wulf (c)	04/94 - 04/96
Annette Kunz (nr)	04/94 - 04/96
Annette Kunz	04/96 - 06/97
Carl-Christian Dressel	07/97 -

Italy

Mensa Italia was founded in August 1965 by Victor Viglino, who also served as Selection Agent. There were only two members in August 1966. Italian Mensa was considered an autonomous group within Swiss Mensa from October 1968 to April 1969, when it was granted provisional status. It was de-recognized in December 1972. Ten years later, in February 1983, it was again granted provisional status. Full status was granted in October 1987. Action on a motion to rescind full membership status in October 1995 was postponed until April 1996 to allow Mensa Italia to regroup following the death of its long-time chairman, Mr. Cossu. June 1997 membership was 308. The national publication was entitled *Humus* for many years; under the new committee, it has been retitled *Il ComMensale Nuovo*.

Victor Viglino	08/65 - *1968*
Pino Oldani	04/69 - 07/69
Gianluigi Saporiti	07/69 - 12/72
Menotti Cossu	02/83 - 11/94
Ettore Vezzosi	11/94 -

Malaysia

Malaysian Mensa was founded in June 1983 by industrialist P.K. Young (Yong Poh Kon). At that time, he was recorded as being the "Acting Chairman of the Malaysian Mensa Group of International Members." The group was provisionally recognized in September 1986; full membership status and IBD representation came in 1987. In August 1987, there were 304 members. August 1997 membership was about 750. There were 8 Mensans living in Malaya in 1963, and 9 in 1966. The national publication is entitled *Triple-M*.

Ismail Bin Sulaiman	09/86 - 05/89
Goh Ching Min	05/89 - 05/91
Heah Kok Soon	05/91 - 05/95
Ismail Bin Sulaiman	05/95 - 05/96
Goh Ching Min	05/96 - 05/97
Sulynn Choong	06/97 -

Netherlands

The first meeting of Dutch Mensa was held in August 1963. It was founded by Commander S.A. l'Honoré "Sam" Naber. In May 1965, there were 45 members. It has had full membership status since its founding and IBD representation since 1982. Two groups existed from the late 1960's to the late 1970's. The groups reunited during the period from 1978 to 1981 to form Mensa Nederland. August 1997 membership was 1,837. The national publication is entitled *Mensa Berichten*.

Sam Naber	08/63 - 08/67
Gerard van Helsdingen	09/67 - 05/69
Loek van de Wurff-Kemperman	06/69 - *02/72*
Cary Horch	03/72 - 12/73
Nils Kleinjan	01/74 - 04/82
Edu Braat	07/82 - 06/84
(Mr.) Anne Snippe	07/84 - 06/85
Jan van Galen	07/85 - 06/86
Ineke Stofmeel	07/86 - *01/90*
Edu Braat	*05/90* - 12/91
Bram van Haren	12/91 - 12/95
Marja ter Weeme	12/95 -

New Zealand

Mensa New Zealand was founded in May 1965. D. Michael Colgan was Selection Agent from November 1964. There were 4 members in December 1963 and 20 in August 1966. The first national committee was elected in February 1968. It was recognized as a provisional group in July 1969 and as a permanent group in November 1969. It has had IBD representation since 1982. August 1997 membership was about 297. The national publication is entitled *Menzed*.

D. Michael Colgan	11/64 - *03/66*
Aloma & D. Michael Colgan	*02/68 - 04/69*
Ian R. Palmer	*07/69* - 05/80
Ron Meadows	06/80 - 11/83
Barbara Thompson	12/83 - 12/86
Piet van der Meyden	01/87 - 10/92
Susan Askew	10/92 - 10/94
Kenneth Chew	10/94 - 10/96
Amanda Milne	10/96 -

Poland

Mensa Polska was started in the late 1980's by Dr. Andrzej M. Fal. Provisional status was granted in mid-1994. The group was recognized as a full National Mensa in October 1997. June 1997 membership was 388. The national publication is entitled *Mensa Polska Biuletyn*.

Andrzej M. Fal	03/90 - 03/94
Miroslaw Pabjan	03/94 - 03/97
Jacek Getner	03/97 -

Singapore

Mensa Singapore was registered with local officials on May 26, 1989. Its inaugural general meeting took place on November 12, 1989, at which time there were 94 members. Provisional status was granted in early 1994. Full national status was granted in mid-1997, along with IBD representation. August 1997 membership was about 640. The national publication is entitled *Menews*.

Kwek Kok Kwong	*07/91* - 02/92
Lew Sin Chye	03/92 - 03/93
Liu Hern Kuan	03/93 - 05/93
George Tan Hian Yew	06/93 - 03/94
Morris Charles Allen	03/94 - *1997*
Dr. Hu Wen Wey	*1997* -

Slovakia

Mensa Slovensko was created when the country of Czechoslovakia split into the Czech Republic and

Slovakia in January 1993. See the entry for Mensa Czech Republic. The group was granted provisional status in mid-1994 and full status in about September 1995. June 1997 membership was 200. The national publication is entitled the *Mensa Slovensko Journal.*

Anna Sykorová	09/93 - 05/97
Vladimír Kovár	05/97 -

South Africa

In May 1965, Richard Buckingham was noted to be trying to establish Mensa in South Africa. There were 11 Mensans living in South Africa in August 1966. A loosely associated group existed from the late 1970's under Ken Phillips and Christine Chester. Their first AGM was held on May 30, 1978. The group was provisionally recognized on September 2, 1979. Mensa South Africa has had full membership status and IBD representation since 1988. August 1997 membership was 504. The national publication is entitled *The Chronicle.*

Clive Hunt	*08/82* - 06/85
Leni Sawyer	*07/86 - 03/87*
Richard Buckingham	*05/87* - 07/90
Paul Ross	08/90 - 07/91
Leni (Sawyer) van de Velde	08/91 - 07/95
Bob van de Velde	07/95 - 03/96
Leon Swart	03/96 - 04/97
Nolan Krombein	04/97 -

Spain

Mensa España was founded by D. Antonio Casao Ibañez in 1982, when an interim committee was established. Earlier inroads in forming the group were made by Roy Canon, as early as 1980. The group had provisional status from 1983 until October 1991, when it was granted full membership status. August 1997 membership was about 292. The national publication is entitled *Omnia.*

D. Antonio Casao Ibañez	10/83 - 11/87
José Maria Albaiges	11/87 - 09/92
Xavier Bellés Ros	09/92 -

Sweden

Swedish Mensa was originally founded in March 1964 by Jay Albrecht, an American. The group was recognized in the late 1960's. There were 12 members in May 1965, but no committee and no chairman; there were 27 members in August 1966. The group was de-recognized in December 1972. In August 1982, Mensans from Sweden and Norway combined to form Mensa Norway-Sweden (see the entry under Former National Mensas). Mensa Sweden was "reborn" in January 1987 and was granted provisional status a couple of years later. Full membership status was granted in October 1993. However, membership subsequently fell below the 250 member level. Action on a motion to rescind full membership status in October 1995 was postponed until April 1996 to allow Mensa Sweden to regroup under its new committee. June 1997 membership was 397. The national publication is entitled *Legatus Mensae.*

Jay Albrecht	03/64 - *12/66*
Henrik Ericsson	*10/67*
Robert von Bahr	*06/68* - 05/69
Rolf E. Rosberg	07/69 - *09/70*
Göran Pettersson	01/87 - 07/91
Jola Sigmond	08/91 - 06/95
Göran Pettersson	06/95 -

United Kingdom-Ireland

The early history of Mensa in the British Isles is, of course, the early history of the society itself. British Mensa became a separate entity following adoption of the (November) 1964 Constitution. Irish Mensa originally existed as a separate group, but merged with British Mensa prior to 1982. The group has been fully recognized from its inception and has had IBD representation since 1982, when the IBD was created. August 1997 membership was 36,622. The national publication is called the *Mensa Magazine.*

The following served as representatives to the IGC. For 1964 - 1967, those who were chairmen of the British Mensa Committee at the time are shown as "(c)." Those who were not are shown as "(nr)." David Schulmann has acted as Sir Clive Sinclair's proxy to the IGC/IBD for several years.

Carol Irvin (c)	11/64 - 10/65
John Corser (c)	11/65
David H. Jones (nr)	12/65 - 10/66
John I. Lishman (c)	11/66 - 01/67
David H. Jones (nr)	02/67 - 07/67
Jack Cohen	08/67 - 10/68
Brian King	11/68 - 08/69

John I. Lishman	11/69 - 10/70
Barbara Courtney-Wildman	11/70 - 10/71
John I. Lishman	11/71 - *12/72*
Lorraine Boyce	*11/73* - 09/75
Wilf Middleton	11/75
Michael Collier Bradley	01/76 - 03/76
Andrew Simpkins	04/76 - 03/79
Rose Ashford	05/79 - 10/80
Sir Clive Sinclair (c)	11/80 - 10/97
Julie Baxter (c)	10/97 -

The following individuals have served as additional NatReps to the IBD:

Brian Yare	*11/81 - 07/82*
David Schulman	10/83 - 05/84
John McNulty	07/84 - 09/87
Jan Evans	10/87 - 10/90
Carol Vorderman	*01/90* - 10/90
Caroline Thaung	*01/90* - 10/91
Neil Goulder	10/90 - 06/93
John McNulty	10/90 - *07/95*
David Schulman	10/91 - 10/97
Zoe Meeson	10/92 - 10/95
Mark Griffin	07/95 - 08/96
David Lally	08/96 - 04/97
Peter Boswell	08/96 -
Noel Burger	04/97 -

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Austria

Austrian Mensa was founded on May 3, 1964, by Dr. Georg Fischhof, who was also the Mensa Selection Agent. Victor Serebriakoff first met with Dr. Fischhof in March 1963. There were 53 members in May 1965 and 178 by August 1966. The group was active and fully recognized in its early years, but reverted to provisional status in the 1980's. The group is now known as Mensa Österreich. The group hosts a successful annual gathering called Mensa Charming. June 1997 membership was 205. The national publication is entitled *Diskussion*.

Georg Fischhof	05/64 - 04/77
Ferdinand Heger	05/77 - 07/82
Heinrich Hofer (c)	07/82 - 07/86
Judith Gebetsroithner (nr)	*10/82 - 07/83*
Karin Schmidl-Tremba	07/86 - 07/91
Rudolf (Rudi) Challupner	07/91 -

Bulgaria

The first test session in Bulgaria was in May 1991. The group was registered in February 1992. By October 1992, there were 826 members. It was granted provisional status in October 1993. August 1997 membership was 235.

George Chavdarov	11/91 - *1994*
Elena Todorova	*08/94* - 07/96
Rossy Alexieva	07/96 -

Colombia

August 1997 membership was 134. The national publication is entitled *Inmensa*. Provisional status was granted in the first half of 1996, after several years of "emerging Mensa" status.

Camilo Trujillo Rueda	03/92 -

Hong Kong

Hong Kong Mensa began in the late 1980's. There were 5 Mensans living in Hong Kong in December 1963, nine in August 1966. August 1997 membership was about 62.

Alvin Tsang	04/88 - 03/90
Rob Belsher	04/90 - 03/91
Donald Meyer	04/91 - 03/93
Samuel Fung	04/93 -*05/95*
Simon Clennell	*07/95* -

Hungary

"Mensa HungarIQa." First testing was in January 1993; the foundation meeting was held in March 1993 and the first newsletter was issued in May 1993. Their constitution was approved in June 1993. Provisional status was granted effective August 1996. August 1997 membership was 475. The national publication is entitled *Asztal Lap*.

Csaba Zsigmond	07/93 - 07/94
Andras Bekes	07/94 - 05/95
Peter Mogyorosi	07/95 - 07/97
Bibiana Balanyi	07/97 -

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Albania

New to "Emerging Mensas" list in March 1996. The Chairman is Matilda Andoni. Not shown as a separate group in MIL statistics for August 1997.

Belarus

First testing was done in January 1996. As of August 1997, there are 150 members. The founder and current coordinator of the group is Dr. Irina Volchenok. Not shown as a separate group in MIL statistics for August 1997.

Greece

Hellenic Mensa was founded on October 25, 1979. The group had provisional status in the late-1980's, but has been considered an "emerging" Mensa since 1992. August 1997 membership was about 130. The national publication is entitled *EAAHNIKH MENSA (Hellenic Mensa).*

Andrew C. Rizopoulos	10/79 - *12/80*
Vasilios Anastassopoulos	*06/84*
Theodore Natsinas	*01/86 - 01/90*
Nicos Anagnostatos	*03/90 - 06/91*
Andreas Halkiadakis	*07/93*
Nikolas Patakias	*07/94 - 04/95*
Mark Alafouzos	*07/95* -

India

Mensa was organized in India in 1965 by Amitananda Das. In April 1966, there were 13 members and a governing committee. The group was inactive throughout most of the 1970's. It was recognized as a national group in December 1972, but by July 1974 it was not listed among the national groups. On January 14, 1979, Mensa India was again recognized as a full National Mensa by the IGC. However, the recognition was withdrawn in April 1984. The group is currently being redeveloped. August 1997 membership was about 338. The national publication is entitled *Mensa News.*

Amitananda Das	12/65 - 02/69
Prosenjit Das Gupta	03/69 - *02/73*
Ram A. Kulkarni	*01/79 - 02/82*
Kantibhai C. ("K.C.") Shroff	*05/82* - 04/84
K.C. Shroff	*09/92 - 1997*
Jnana Prabodhini Bhawan	*1997* -

Indonesia

Mensa was organized in Indonesia around 1991. Thomas Thoha has been the group's representative since at least January 1992. August 1997 membership was about 37.

Japan

Mensa Japan was founded by Richard C. Fisher, an American, in 1970; he served as the group's chairman until 1980. Their first meeting was held in January 1970. The group was recognized as "permanent" on November 22, 1970. It obtained full membership status in May 1980, but was reduced to provisional status a couple of years later. The group published a regular newsletter through most of the 1970's and 1980's. Recognition was withdrawn in mid-1992, following its failure to file reports and otherwise comply with Mensa International's requirements for continued recognition. As of March 1996, Japan was again listed, as an "Emerging Mensa," but was not shown as a separate group in MIL statistics for August 1997.

Richard C. Fisher (c)	01/70 - 07/81
Toshitake Suzuki (nr)	01/71 - 06/72
Yutaka Kajiwara (nr)	07/72 - 09/74
Masaji Oda (nr)	10/74 - 12/75
Hisaichi Ohnabe (nr)	01/77 - 07/80
Hisaichi Ohnabe (c)	08/81 - 07/82
Hiroshi Nakagawa (nr)	08/80 - 07/81
Michael Lloret (nr)	07/81 - *04/83*
Reiko Muta (Lloret) (c) (nr)	08/82 - 07/87
Hiroki Seda	07/87 - *06/91*
Manny Sultan	03/96 - 11/96
Jukka Vitanen	12/96 - *02/97*
Hiroki Seda	*04/97* -

Korea

Testing was first done in South Korea in July 1996. There are currently (June 1997) 587 members in Korea. The founder/organizer of the group was Ms. HyoJin Ahn, from July 1996 to January 1997. Current coordinator (since January 1997) is Mr. Park Tae-Dong.

Norway

Mensa Norge was founded in 1975 by Henrik Sellaeg (var. Sellig). Provisional status was granted in November 1977. Full recognition followed on July 9, 1978. In August 1982, the group merged with Swedish Mensa (q.v.) to become Mensa Norway-Sweden (see listing under Former National Mensas). A new group became active in Norway in 1992. The national publication is entitled *Mensa Nytt*. June 1997 membership was 145.

Henrik Sellaeg	07/78 - 03/82
Helge Totland	05/82 - 07/82
Sven-Einar Graarud	*07/92* -

Pakistan

An organized Mensa group in Pakistan was first noted in 1992. Faisal Qureshi has been the listed representative since that time. The group was more formally organized in 1995. August 1997 membership was about 81. The national publication is entitled *Brainwave*.

Philippines

Mensa in the Philippines started in 1992. The national publication is entitled *Mensahe*. June 1997 membership was 74.

Dr. Reynaldo Lesaca	10/92 - *1993*
Chitra Schneider	*07/93 - 07/94*
Arturo Ilano	*09/94 - 1996*
Dr. Reynaldo Lesaca	*1996* -

Romania

Mensa Romania was founded in 1991 by Daniel and Alina Serbanica, who have continued to serve as the chairpersons/representatives of the group. August 1997 membership was about 37. The national publication is entitled *Mentor*.

Switzerland

The first meeting of Mensans in Switzerland was on September 24, 1965 in Geneva. Their first newsletter (January 1967) stated that for all practical purposes, Swiss Mensa began in July 1966. At that time, there were 17 members. In January 1967, there were 30 members in the group. The founder of Swiss Mensa was Dr. Hans Eberstark, who was also the Mensa Selection Agent. The group had full status in the early days and was a provisional group for a time. The group's name is now "Mensa CH" and August 1997 membership was about 98. The national publication is entitled *Mens-CH*.

Hans Eberstark	09/65 - 06/69
Paul Kaufmann	07/69 - *09/75*
Tom Napier	*11/75 - 05/79*
Katia M. Chestopalov	06/79 - 06/82
Aymar de Brossin	07/82 - *03/86*
Jean-Charles Berrini	*07/86 - 03/89*
Laura Anne Hartmann	*07/89 - 11/94*
Beat Unternährer	*01/95* -

United Arab Emirates

This new group was in its foundation stage in mid-1995, but moving rapidly toward recognition as a Provisional National Mensa as of October 1995. Their first activities took place in February 1995. June 1997 membership was 86. Unfortunately, development was affected in late 1995 to 1996 by the government's disapproval of foreign societies. The founder of the group was Dr. Saeed M. al Barwani of Dubai. As of October 1997, the Chairman is John D. Ritchie.

Former national mensas (including emerging mensas)

Argentina

Originally founded in 1968, it had "provisional" status from 1986 through 1989.

Nora Femenia	*07/86 - 07/87*
Jorge Etchemaite	*01/88 - 07/89*

Cyprus

This small group was founded in 1969 by Pamela Boal. The IGC recognized it as permanent in June 1970. Recognition was withdrawn in 1973, after membership and activity declined.

Pamela Boal	07/69 - 04/70
Emlyn Thomas	04/70 - 08/70
David Logan	09/70 - 12/70
Yiangos Cleopas	01/71 - 07/74

Israel

In November 1981, there were about 110 Mensa members in Israel. The loosely-operating group's Secretary was Jack Eliezer. On February 19, 1983, it was recognized as a "provisional" group. In June 1984, the chairman was David Szekeli. At the time, membership was down to 14. The group subsequently failed to prosper and it is not currently recognized as a national group. However, there is, from time to time, renewed interest by and for the Israeli members to try to reestablish a formal group.

Ivory Coast

In April 1977, Ivory Coast Mensa was recognized as a "provisional" group. Its constitution was approved on September 18, 1977. Full membership status was obtained on November 9, 1980. Recognition was withdrawn in December 1983, and confirmed by the IGC in April 1984.

Jerome Aka Ahui	04/77 - 12/83
M. Claude Nanique	*1984*

Kenya

This very small group had provisional status only, for about three years. Recognition was granted on November 16, 1975, and was withdrawn on September 24, 1978.

Colin K. Perry	11/75 - 07/76
Keith Trayner	03/77 - 09/78

Luxembourg

Mensa Luxembourg was founded by travel writer D. Ned Blackmer in October 1968. The membership (one, at the time) was combined with Belga Mensa in July 1972.

Norway-Sweden

The Swedish and Norwegian Mensa groups merged August 1982. The group became inactive around 1986. A Swedish group reemerged in 1987 (q.v.).

Helge Totland	08/82 - 07/83
Roy Ostensen	07/83 - 08/83
Liv Dimmestol	08/83 - 07/84
Sven Norgaard, Jr.	08/84 - 07/85
Bengt Baldsten	08/85 - *07/86*

Southern Rhodesia

This small group was never formally recognized. There were only 3 members in May 1965. The contact/representative from May 1964 through July 1969 was Anthony P. Bowl.

Yugoslavia

This group was founded in 1991, acquiring provisional status in the fall of that year. It was dissolved for practical purposes in 1992 due to the political upheaval in the region; the IBD officially derecognized the group in October 1994. Josip Saban was the contact person for the life of the group.

A Selection of Non-U.S. Gatherings in Mensa

Type	Dates	Name	Group	Hotel or Site	City	Province, etc.	Country
FA	11/1/63 - 11/3/63	British AG	British Mensa	The Conway Hall	London	England	UK
FA	11/20/64 - 11/22/64	British AG	British Mensa	French Institute	London	England	UK
FO	8/20/65 - 8/22/65	European Founders' Conference	n/a	Charing Cross Hotel	London	England	UK
FA	11/27/65 - 11/28/65	British AG	British Mensa	French Institute	London	England	UK
FA	1966 -	French Mensa AG (#1)	Mensa France		Paris		France
FO	4/23/66 - 4/24/66	Worthing Conference on Leisure	n/a		Worthing	England	UK
FA	5/13/67 - 5/15/67	Swiss Mensa AG	Mensa Switzerland		Lugano		Switzerland
FA	11/10/67 - 11/12/67	British AG	British Mensa		London	England	UK
IG	10/4/68 - 10/6/68	Dutch Mensa 5th Anniv. Celebration	Dutch Mensa		The Hague		The Netherlands
FA	11/1/68 - 11/3/68	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	10/4/69 - 10/5/69	German Mensa AG	German Mensa		Frankfurt		W. Germany
FA	12/12/69 - 12/14/69	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	12/11/70 - 12/13/70	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	4/71 -	French Mensa AG (#2)	Mensa France				
FA	6/18/71 - 6/20/71	Mensa Canada AG '71	Mensa Canada	Univ. of Montreal	Montreal	Quebec	Canada
FO	9/24/71 - 9/26/71	Mensa Silver Jubilee Celebration	British Mensa	Lincoln's Inn	London	England	UK
FA	11/26/71 - 11/28/71	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	11/3/72 - 11/5/72	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	10/12/73 - 10/14/73	Dutch Mensa 10th Anniversary	Dutch Mensa	Groeneveld Castle	Baarn		The Netherlands
FA	11/2/73 - 11/4/73	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	11/1/74 - 11/3/74	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	6/20/75 - 6/22/75	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada				
FO	6/29/75 - 6/29/75	2nd International Congress	n/a		Paris		France
FO	9/8/75 - 9/12/75	World Conference on Gifted Children	n/a	Lincoln's Inn	London	England	UK
FR	10/3/75 - 10/5/75	Midlands RG			Coventry	England	UK
FA	10/31/75 - 11/1/75	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	2/7/76 - 2/8/76	3rd Irish Mensa Gathering	Irish Mensa	No. 7 Trinity College	Dublin		Ireland
FO	2/20/76 - 2/23/76	Mensa Nederland 12 1/2 yr Anniv. Celebration	Dutch Mensa		Cothen		The Netherlands
FA	2/76 -	Channel Islands Mensa AGM	Channel Islands				
FA	3/76 -	Belga Mensa AGM	Belga Mensa				
FA	5/76 -	New Zealand Mensa AG	Mensa New Zealand		Wellington		New Zealand
FA	6/11/76 - 6/13/76	Canadian AG / International Congress	Mensa Canada	Delta's Chelsea Inn	Toronto	Ontario	Canada
FO	10/1/76 - 10/3/76	Mensa's Pearl (30th) Jubilee Celebrations	n/a		London & Oxford	England	UK
FA	11/5/76 - 11/7/76	British AG	British Mensa	Victory Services Club	London	England	UK
FA	1/28/77 - 1/28/77	Swiss Mensa AGM	Mensa Switzerland				
FR	2/11/77 - 2/13/77	Irish Mensa RG	Irish Mensa		Dublin		Ireland
FO	3/7/77 - 3/14/77	Mensa International Ski Week	n/a	Hotel Ambassador	Valais		Switzerland
FA	5/77 -	New Zealand Mensa AG	Mensa New Zealand				

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FR	5/6/77 - 5/8/77	London Weekend RG	London Mensa	Great Western Hotel	London	England	UK
FA	6/77 -	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada		Montreal	Quebec	Canada
FO	7/22/77 - 7/24/77	Fourth International Mensa Congress	n/a	Bristol University	Bristol	England	UK
FR	9/9/77 - 9/11/77	Scottish Mensa RG	Scottish Mensa		Edinburgh	Scotland	UK
FA	10/7/77 - 10/9/77	British AG	British Mensa	Y Hotel	London	England	UK
FA	2/24/78 - 2/26/78	Channel Islands Mensa AG	Channel Islands			Jersey	Channel Islands
FA	2/78 -	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa				
FA	3/78 -	Belga Mensa AGM	Mensa Rotunda				
FR	5/5/78 - 5/7/78	London Weekend RG	London Mensa		London		UK
FA	5/6/78 - 5/7/78	Mensa CH AGM	Swiss Mensa		Basle	Switzerland	
FA	5/78 -	Mensa Nederland AGM	Mensa Nederlands				
FA	5/78 -	New Zealand Mensa AG	Mensa New Zealand				
FA	5/30/78 -	Mensa South Africa AGM #1	Mensa South Africa	Skyline Hotel	Johannesburg		South Africa
FA	6/78 -	Mensa Osterreich AGM	Austrian Mensa		Vienna		Austria
FA	7/21/78 - 7/23/78	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada		Vancouver	BC	Canada
FR	7/21/78 - 7/23/78	Scottish Mensa RG	Scottish Mensa		Glasgow	Scotland	UK
FA	9/22/78 - 9/24/78	Mensa France AG	Mensa France	Hotel Terminus	Paris		France
FR	9/29/78 - 10/1/78	Southern Africa Gathering	n/a	Hotel Victoria	Maseru		Lesotho
FA	10/6/78 - 10/8/78	British AG	British Mensa		Birmingham	England	UK
FA	10/78 -	Deutsche Mensa AGM	German Mensa		Cologne		West Germany
FR	11/17/78 - 11/19/78	London Weekend RG	London Mensa		London	England	UK
FA	12/78 -	Mensa Cote d'Ivoire AG	Ivory Coast Mensa		Abidjan		Ivory Coast
FA	2/17/79 - 2/19/79	Channel Islands Mensa AG	Channel Islands			Jersey	Channel Islands
FA	3/79 -	Belga Mensa AGM	Rotunda Mensa				
FA	5/79 -	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa		Dublin		Ireland
FA	5/79 -	New Zealand Mensa AG	Mensa New Zealand				
FA	6/79 -	Mensa Osterreich AGM	Austrian Mensa		Vienna		Austria
FA	6/8/79 - 6/10/79	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada		Toronto	Ontario	Canada
FA	9/28/79 - 9/30/79	Mensa France AG	Mensa France		Toulouse		France
FO	10/19/79 - 10/21/79	Mensa International Congress V	n/a			Guernsey	Channel Islands
FA	10/19/79 - 10/22/79	New Zealand Mensa AG	Mensa New Zealand		Wellington		New Zealand
FA	11/2/79 - 11/4/79	British AG	British Mensa		Liverpool	England	UK
FA	2/29/80 - 3/2/80	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa		Armagh		Northern Ireland
FA	5/30/80 - 6/1/80	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada	Chelsea Inn Hotel	Toronto	Ontario	Canada
FA	5/30/80 - 6/1/80	Austrian Mensa AG	Austrian Mensa		Graz		Austria
FA	6/6/80 - 6/8/80	Mensa France AG	Mensa France		Paris		France
FC	8/26/80 - 8/31/80	The Eighties: Mensa at Cambridge	British Mensa	Trinity College	Cambridge	England	UK
FA	10/24/80 - 10/27/80	New Zealand AG	Mensa New Zealand	Aukland Gateway Lodge	Auckland		New Zealand
FA	11/80 -	British AG	British Mensa	Aston University	Birmingham	England	UK
FA	2/81 -	Channel Islands AG	Channel Islands				
FA	5/1/81 - 5/4/81	Irish Mensa AG (IGC)	Irish Mensa	Burlington Hotel	Dublin		Ireland
FA	6/5/81 - 6/8/81	Mensa Norway AG	Mensa Norway	Royal Norwegian Automobil	Oslo		Norway

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FA	6/13/81 - 6/13/81	2nd M in D AG	Mensa in Deutschland		Cologne		West Germany
FA	7/10/81 - 7/12/81	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada	Univ. of Alberta	Edmonton	Alberta	Canada
FC	7/21/81 - 7/26/81	The Leading Edge: Mensa at Cambridge	British Mensa	Queen's College	Cambridge	England	UK
FO	8/21/81 - 8/23/81	Mensa International Congress VI (IGC)	n/a	Graz Congress Centre	Graz		Austria
FA	10/24/81 - 10/26/81	New Zealand Mensa AG	Mensa New Zealand		Auckland		New Zealand
FA	10/31/81 - 11/8/81	British AG	British Mensa				
FA	2/82 -	Channel Islands Mensa AG	Channel Islands				
FA	4/2/82 - 4/4/82	MinD AG	Mensa in Deutschland		Cologne		West Germany
FA	4/30/82 - 5/2/82	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa	Slieve Donard Hotel	Newcastle	County Down	Northern Ireland
FA	6/10/82 - 6/13/82	Austrian Mensa AG	Austrian Mensa		Vienna		Austria
FA	6/12/82 - 6/14/82	Australian Mensa AG	Australian Mensa		Melbourne		Australia
FA	7/1/82 - 7/4/82	Canadian AG (+International Congress)	Mensa Canada	Westbury Hotel	Toronto	Ontario	Canada
FC	7/27/82 - 8/1/82	The Golden Ages: Mensa at Cambridge	British Mensa	Queen's College	Cambridge	England	UK
FA	11/82 -	British AG	British Mensa		Brighton	England	UK
FO	2/15/83 - 2/19/83	CONPAC '83 - Mensa International Congress	Mensa New Zealand	Hotel Intercontinental	Auckland		New Zealand
FR	3/18/83 - 3/20/83	Lambent '83			London	Ontario	Canada
FA	4/8/83 - 4/10/83	Mensa Germany AG	Mensa in Deutschland		Hanover		West Germany
FR	4/29/83 - 5/1/83	Spring Gathering			Victoria	BC	Canada
FA	4/29/83 - 5/3/83	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa	Burlington Hotel	Dublin		Ireland
FA	5/14/83 - 5/15/83	Norwegian AG	Norwegian Mensa		Oslo		Norway
FA	7/1/83 - 7/4/83	Canadian AG & Bluenose RG	Mensa Canada	Chateau Halifax	Halifax	Nova Scotia	Canada
FC	8/2/83 - 8/7/83	The Green Fuse - Fourth Mensa at Cambridge	British Mensa	Queen's College	Cambridge	England	UK
FO	10/1/83 - 10/2/83	Dutch Mensa 20-Year Jubilee	Dutch Mensa		The Hague		The Netherlands
FA	11/4/83 - 11/6/83	British AG	British Mensa		Nottingham	England	UK
FA	11/12/83 - 11/13/83	New Zealand AG	Mensa New Zealand		Wellington		New Zealand
FA	2/84 -	Channel Islands Mensa AG	Channel Islands			Guernsey	Channel Islands
FA	3/17/84 - 3/17/84	Norway-Sweden AG	Mensa Norway/Sweden	KNA Hotel	Oslo		Norway
FA	4/6/84 - 4/8/84	Mensa Germany AG	Mensa in Deutschland		Munich		West Germany
FA	4/27/84 - 4/29/84	Irish Mensa AG (+IBD/IGC)	Irish Mensa	Burlington Hotel	Dublin		Ireland
FA	6/8/84 - 6/11/84	Mensa Australia AG	Mensa Australia		Melbourne	Victoria	Australia
FA	6/28/84 - 7/1/84	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada	Westin Hotel	Calgary	Alberta	Canada
FC	7/31/84 - 8/5/84	20-20 Vision: Mensa at Cambridge #5	British Mensa	Queen's College	Cambridge	England	UK
FA	10/12/84 - 19/14/84	Dutch Mensa AG (IBD)	Mensa Nederlands		Kerkrade		The Netherlands
FA	11/2/84 - 11/4/84	British AG	British Mensa		Bristol	England	UK
FA	11/10/84 - 11/11/84	New Zealand AG	Mensa New Zealand				
FA	3/16/85 - 3/16/85	Mensa Norway AG	Mensa Norway		Oslo		Norway
FA	4/12/85 - 4/13/85	MinD AG	Mensa in Deutschland		Wiesbaden		West Germany
FA	5/3/85 - 5/6/85	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa	Sands Hotel	Bangor		Northern Ireland
FA	6/28/85 - 7/1/85	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada	Westin Hotel	Ottawa	Ontario	Canada
FC	8/6/85 - 8/11/85	Inventing the Future: Mensa at Cambridge #6	British Mensa	Queen's College	Cambridge	England	UK
FA	10/10/85 - 10/13/85	Mensa Italia AG (+IBD/IGC)	Mensa Italy		Rome		Italy
FA	11/1/85 - 11/3/85	British AG	British Mensa	Imperial College	London	England	UK

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FA	4/11/86 - 4/13/86	Mensa in Deutschland AG	Mensa in Deutschland		Hamburg		West Germany
FA	5/2/86 - 5/5/86	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa		Dublin		Ireland
FA	6/19/86 - 6/22/86	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada		Vancouver	BC	Canada
FC	8/5/86 - 8/10/86	Getting Through (To You): Mensa at Cambridge #7	British Mensa	Queen's College	Cambridge	England	UK
FO	9/26/86 - 10/6/86	40th Anniversary Celebrations	British Mensa	Wadham College	Oxford	England	UK
FA	10/31/86 - 11/2/86	British AG	British Mensa		York	England	UK
FA	5/1/87 - 5/3/87	RAM-87 (Mensa Espana AG)	Mensa Spain	Hotel Granvia	Barcelona		Spain
FA	5/1/87 - 5/4/87	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa	Carngrove Hotel	Seagoe	Portadown	N. Ireland
FA	7/3/87 - 7/5/87	Canadian AG - Magic '87	Mensa Canada	Loew's Westbury Hotel	Toronto	Ontario	Canada
FC	8/4/87 - 8/9/87	Man-Made Minds: Mensa at Cambridge #8	British Mensa	Queen's College	Cambridge	England	UK
FA	8/28/87 - 8/31/87	British AG	British Mensa		Cardiff	Wales	UK
FA	2/20/88 - 2/21/88	Channel Islands Mensa AG	Channel Islands Mensa		St. Martins	Guernsey	UK
FA	4/8/88 - 4/10/88	MinD AGM	Mensa in Deutschland			Bavaria	Germany
FA	4/29/88 - 5/2/88	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa	Royal Marine Hotel	Dublin		Ireland
FA	5/6/88 - 5/8/88	6th National Convention	Mensa South Africa		Franschhoek	Cape Town	South Africa
FA	6/10/88 - 6/12/88	Denmark National Gathering	Mensa Denmark		Faaborg	Funen	Denmark
FA	6/10/88 - 6/13/88	Australian AG	Australian Mensa				Australia
FA	7/1/88 - 7/4/88	U.S.-Canada AG: Rendez-Vous '88	Mensa Canada	Queen Elizabeth Hotel	Montreal	PQ	Canada
FC	8/2/88 - 8/9/88	Space: Mensa at Cambridge #9	British Mensa		Cambridge	England	UK
FA	9/23/88 - 9/25/88	Lustrum Weekend	Mensa Nederlands	Hotel Speulderboc			The Netherlands
FA	9/23/88 - 9/25/88	Mensa Espana AG	Mensa Spain		Zaragoza		Spain
FA	10/14/88 - 10/16/88	British AG	British Mensa	Norbreck Castle Hotel	Blackpool	England	UK
FA	11/25/88 - 11/27/88	New Zealand Mensa AG	Mensa New Zealand				New Zealand
FA	4/6/89 - 4/9/89	7th Annual Nat'l Convention	Mensa South Africa	Sparkling Waters Hotel	Magalisburg	Transvaal	South Africa
FA	4/7/89 - 4/9/89	MinD AG	Mensa in Deutschland		Cologne		Germany
FA	4/28/89 - 5/1/89	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa		Portstewart	No. Ireland	UK
FA	5/27/89 -	5th Annual General Mtg.	Malaysian Mensa		Kuala Lumpur		Malaysia
FA	6/10/89 - 6/12/89	Australian AG	Australian Mensa		Melbourne	NSW	Australia
FA	7/13/89 - 7/16/89	Canadian AG	Mensa Canada		Edmonton	Alberta	Canada
FA	10/20/89 - 10/22/89	Nederlands Annual Mtg.	Mensa Nederlands		Kerkrade		The Netherlands
FA	10/20/89 - 10/22/89	Mensa Espana AG	Mensa Spain		El Escorial		Spain
FA	11/18/89 - 11/19/89	New Zealand Mensa AGM	Mensa New Zealand		Auckland		New Zealand
FA	3/3/90 -	Mensa Polska AGM	Mensa Poland		Warsaw		Poland
FA	4/6/90 - 4/8/90	MinD AGM	Mensa in Deutschland		Bochum		Germany
FA	6/2/90 - 6/5/90	Danish AG	Mensa Denmark		Sondervig	Jutland	Denmark
FA	6/8/90 - 6/10/90	Mensa Canada AG	Mensa Canada	Holiday Inn	Yorkdale	Ontario	Canada
FA	6/8/90 - 6/11/90	Australian Mensa AG	Australian Mensa		Sydney		Australia
FC	8/5/90 - 8/10/90	Transports of Delight: Mensa at Cambridge	British Mensa		Cambridge	England	UK
FA	8/24/90 - 8/26/90	British Mensa AGM	British Mensa		Glasgow	Scotland	UK
FA	4/19/91 - 4/21/91	MinD AGM	Mensa in Deutschland		Frankfurt		Germany
FR	4/26/91 - 4/28/91	Spring Break RG			Victoria	BC	Canada
FA	6/7/91 - 6/10/91	Australian AG	Australian Mensa		Melbourne		Australia

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FA	6/28/91 - 6/30/91	Canadian AGM	Mensa Canada	Palliser Hotel	Calgary	Alberta	Canada
FA	10/4/91 - 10/6/91	British Mensa AGM	British Mensa		Manchester	England	UK
FA	11/1/91 - 11/3/91	Mensa Espana AG	Mensa Spain		Albacete		Spain
FA	11/9/91 - 11/11/91	Mensa Finland AG	Mensa Finland		Espoo		Finland
FA	4/3/92 - 4/5/92	MinD AGM	Mensa in Deutschland		Bremen		Germany
FR	4/10/92 - 4/12/92	Tom Foolery '92	Toronto		Toronto	Ontario	Canada
FA	5/1/92 - 5/3/92	South African AGM & AG	Mensa South Africa		Johannesburg		South Africa
FA	5/1/92 - 5/4/92	Irish Mensa AG	Irish Mensa	The Grand Hotel	Malahide Village		Ireland
FA	5/92 -	Bulgarian AG (#1)	Mensa Bulgaria	outdoor tent theater	Sofia		Bulgaria
FA	5/28/92 - 5/31/92	Charming 1992	Mensa Austria		Zell am Moos		Austria
FA	5/30/92 - 5/31/92	Malaysian Mensa AGM	Malaysian Mensa		Kuala Lumpur		Malaysia
FA	6/5/92 - 6/8/92	Australian AG	Australian Mensa		Brisbane	Qnslnd	Australia
FA	6/92 -	Mensa Sweden AG	Mensa Sweden				Sweden
FA	6/26/92 - 6/29/92	Ag AG	Mensa Canada	Univ. of B.C.	Vancouver	BC	Canada
FA	8/28/92 - 8/31/92	Scottish Gathering	Scottish Mensa		Ayr	Strathclyde	UK
FA	9/18/92 - 9/20/92	British Mensa AG	British Mensa		Portsmouth	England	UK
FA	10/9/92 - 10/12/92	Vilanova '92	Mensa Spain		Vilanova i la Geltru		Spain
IG	10/30/92 - 11/2/92	Braindance '92	Mensa Nederlands		Flevohof		The Netherlands
FA	11/14/92 - 11/15/92	Finland AG - Shipboard	Mensa Finland	on board a ship	Naantari		Finland

section 7

a statistical history of american mensa elections

(1965 - 1997)

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KEY

** = Closest race in that election
* = Closest race (for that position)
n/c = no contest
(n) = NomCom
(p) = Petition
Winners' names are in italics

Year	Ballots Cast	Eligible Voters	Candidate(s) for Chairman	1st Tally	2nd Tally	3rd Tally	%	Candidate(s) for 1st Vice Chairman	1st Tally	%
1965	3,966	6,189	John J. Codella (n)	n/c				*Jules B. Singer (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	64.08%								
1967	4,910	11,738	*Herbert G. Ahrend (p)*	2,479			50.59%	*Dr. Emerson Coyle (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	41.83%	Brian Heald (n)	2,421			49.41%			
			abstentions	10			* **			
1969	5,655	10,992	*Sander Rubin (n)*	3,157			56.12%	*Stuart W. Friedman (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	51.45%	Dr. Emerson Coyle (p)	2,468			43.88%			
			abstentions	30						
1971	4,081	11,668	*Sander Rubin (n)*	2,370			60.24%	*Terence D.C. Kuch (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	34.98%	Ken Adelberg (p)	813			20.67%			
			James G. Sprague (p)	751			19.09%			
			write-ins	24						
1973	4,551	12,709	*Marvin Grosswirth (n)*	2,803			61.62%	*Terence D.C. Kuch (n)*	2,451	54.98%
	%partic.:	35.81%	Thomas Wm. Hamilton (p)	1,746			38.38%	James G. Sprague (n)	2,007	45.02%
1975	5,067	13,855	*Charles M. Fallon (n)*	n/c				*Gabriel Werba (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	36.57%								
1977	6,465	15,331	*Charles M. Fallon (n)*	n/c				*Gabriel Werba (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	42.17%								
1979	6,590	18,201	*Gabriel Werba (n)*	n/c				*Paul Victor (n)*	4,116	63.48%
	%partic.:	36.21%						Richard Amyx (p)	2,368	36.52%
1981	8,442	34,660	*Gabriel Werba (n)*	n/c				*Roy C. Saper (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	24.36%								
1983	7,762	34,332	*Henry Schofield Noble (n)*	4,142			53.67%	*Amy E. Shaughnessy (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	22.61%	Roy C. Saper (p)	3,576			46.33%			
1985	8,997	37,506	*Amy E. Shaughnessy (p)*	3,019	3,600	4,851	55.43%	*Ralph G. Rudolph (p)*	4,330	50.17%
	%partic.:	23.99%	Harry A. Rider (n)	2,638	3,007	3,901	44.57%	Charles G. Schilling (n)	4,300	49.83%
			Sander Rubin (p)	1,829	2,221					* **
			Dennis B. Moore (p)	1,457						
1987	3,660	41,796	*Amy E. Shaughnessy (n)*	2,167			60.28%	*Rose Lee Crutcher (n)*	2,333	65.52%
	%partic.:	8.76%	Ralph G. Rudolph (p)	855			23.78%	Raymond Grant (p)	1,228	34.48%
			David W. Hamlin (p)	573			15.94%			
1989	5,580	41,343	*Ralph G. Rudolph (p)*	1,957	2,756		52.46%	*Rose Lee Crutcher (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	13.50%	Arthur E. Mattson (n)	1,985	2,498		47.54%			
			Sander Rubin (p)	1,456						
1991	4,423	40,516	*David D. Felt (n)*	2,376			55.87%	*Darlene Criss (n)*	2,523	59.59%
	%partic.:	10.92%	Ralph G. Rudolph (p)	1,877			44.13%	Judy I. Dosse (p)	1,711	40.41%
1993	4,521	40,550	*Richard Amyx (p)*	2,647			59.36%	*Darlene J. Criss (n)*	n/c	
	%partic.:	11.15%	Dave Remine (n)	1,812			40.64%			
1995	*3,806*	*40,000*	*Richard Amyx (n)*	2,128			56.57%	*Dave Remine (n)*	1,835	51.06%
	%partic.:	*9.52%*	Darlene Criss (n)	1,081			28.73%	Jean Cooper (n)	1,759	48.94%
			Nikki Frey (p)	553			14.70%			
1997	*2,425*	*33,933*	*Dave Remine (n)*	1,489			68.12%	*Bob Beatty (n)*	1,214	55.21%
	%partic.:	*7.15%*	Sander Rubin (p)	697			31.88%	Tony Jackowski (n)	985	44.79%

Average turnout and participation %	
5,347	20.41%

max:	68.12%
ave:	57.52%
min:	50.59%
winning %	

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ave:	57.14%
min:	50.17%
winning %	

Year	Candidate(s) for 2nd Vice Chairman	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%	Candidate(s) for Treasurer	1st Tally	%	Candidate(s) for Secretary	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%
1965	*Brian M. Heald (n)*	2,218		56.37%	*Alfred Rubinstein (n)*	n/c		*Evelyn Glor (n)*	n/c		
	Thomas Wm. Hamilton (p)	1,717		43.63%							
1967	*Joseph Frisch (n)*	3,057		62.75%	*Sander Rubin (n)*	n/c		*Irene S. Turchin (n)*	n/c		
	Holly C. Jaeger (p)	1,815		37.25%							
	abstentions	38									
1969	*James G. Sprague (n)*	3,120		56.33%	*Alan J. Truelove (p)*	2,982	53.48%	*Robert J. Hume (n)*	n/c		
	Fred Lowenstein (p)	2,419		43.67%	Arthur H. Gardner (n)	2,594	46.52%				
	abstentions	116			abstentions	79					
1971	*Stuart Friedman (n)*	n/c			*Alan J. Truelove (p)*	2,156	56.68%	*Ken Robinson (p)*	2,025		53.16%
					Willard King (n)	1,648	43.32%	Lawrence Marshall (n)	1,784		46.84%
					write-ins	19		write-ins	21		
1973	*Fred Lowenstein (p)*	2,429		54.07%	*Alan J. Truelove (p)*	2,405	53.37%	*Ken Robinson (n)*	2,659		59.55%
	Harper Fowley (n)	2,063		45.93%	Arthur H. Gardner (n)	2,101	46.63%	Bernard Sussman (p)	1,806		40.45%
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1975	*Harper Fowley (n)*	n/c			*Arthur H. Gardner (n)*	n/c		*Ken Robinson (n)*	n/c		
								Eugenia Fox (n) - withdrew			
1977	*Harper Fowley (n)*	n/c			*Arthur H. Gardner (n)*	n/c		*Hans G. Frommer (n)*	2,289	3,475	53.75%
								Ken Robinson (p)	1,652	2,990	46.25%
								Henry Noble (p)	1,359		
1979	*Roy C. Saper (n)*	n/c			*Henry Noble (n)*	3,515	54.41%	*Hans G. Frommer (n)*	3,495		53.03%
					Arthur H. Gardner (p)	2,945	45.59%	Brian Weiss (p)	3,095		46.97%
											**
1981	*Hans G. Frommer (n)*	4,499		53.29%	*Henry Noble (n)*	5,387	64.04%	*Ravenna L. Oakes (n)*	3,617	4,801	59.24%
	Richard Amyx (n)	3,943		46.71%	Arthur H. Gardner (n)	3,025	35.96%	Joel Chinkes (p)	2,468	3,304	40.76%
								Deborah Gunther (p)	2,356		
								Marvin Grosswirth (p) - w/d			
1983	*David F. Mann (n)*	3,026	3,906	51.78%	*Harry A. Rider (n)*	n/c		*David D. Felt (n)*	3,075	3,841	50.76%
	Richard Amyx (p)	2,715	3,637	48.22%				Judy Vasiliauskas (n)	2,701	3,726	49.24%
	Helen Mosley (p)	2,021						Ravenna Oakes (p)	1,974		* **
1985	*Christin Keck (p)*	3,694	4,341	50.33%	*Art Mattson (n)*	5,907	67.91%	*David D. Felt (n)*	6,189		70.64%
	Fred Schumacher (n)	3,799	4,284	49.67%	Mike Tuchman (p)	2,791	32.09%	G.T. Bud Martin (p)	2,572		29.36%
	Robert L. Smith (p)	1,274		*							
1987	*Charles G. Schilling (n)*	2,219		62.95%	*Art Mattson (n)*	n/c		*David D. Felt (n)*	n/c		
	Dorothy Funk-Werblo (p)	1,306		37.05%							
1989	*David D. Felt (n)*	3,131		59.92%	*Dave Remine (n)*	3,201	61.56%	*Darlene Criss (n)*	n/c		
	John D. Cumming (n)	2,094		40.08%	Mike Tuchman (n)	1,999	38.44%				
1991	*John D. Cumming (n)*	2,204		52.44%	*Dave Remine (n)*	2,717	64.89%	*Jean L. Cooper (n)*	n/c		
	Vincent F. Bonzagni (p)	1,999		47.56%	Gary Kirkpatrick (p)	1,470	35.11%				
1993	*Fred "Bear" Berg (p)*	2,996		68.12%	*T. Warren Hardy (p)*	2,242	51.06%	*Jean L. Cooper (n)*	n/c		
	Carol L. Hilson (n)	1,402		31.88%	Stacey VanGeest (n)	2,149	48.94%				
							* **				
1995	*Fred "Bear" Berg (n)*	2,186		62.60%	*Stacey Van Geest (n)*	2,272	63.84%	*M. Russell Bakke (p)*	1,465		40.12%
	Bill Bundy (p)	1,306		37.40%	Max Hedges (p)	1,287	36.16%	William Webster (n)	1,377		37.71%
								Steve Zink (n)	810		22.18%
1997	*Jean Becker (n)*	1,034		46.81%	*Stacey Kirsch (n)*	1,640	73.31%	*M. Russell Bakke (n)*	n/c		
	Ed Ashworth (n)	797		36.08%	Gerald Fortner (n)	597	26.69%				
	Bill Bundy (p)	378		17.11%							
		max:	68.12%			max:	73.31%		max:	70.64%	
		ave:	57.58%			ave:	60.41%		ave:	57.16%	
		min:	50.33%			min:	51.06%		min:	50.76%	
		winning %				winning %			winning %		

Year	Candidate(s) for RVC-1 (Eastern)	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%	Candidate(s) for RVC-2	1st Tally	%	Candidate(s) for RVC-3	1st Tally	%
1965	*William Willoughby*	n/c			not applicable			not applicable		
1967	*Fred Lowenstein (p)*	1,955		40.88%	not applicable			not applicable		
	John B. Hayter (n)	1,887		39.46%						
	David C. Robbins (p)	940		19.66%						
	abstentions	128								
1969	*Terry Kuch (n)*	n/c			not applicable			not applicable		
1971	*Herb Jacobs (p)*	824		50.83%	not applicable			not applicable		
	Billie Bichrest (n)	797		49.17%						
	write-ins	15		* **						
1973	*Genevieve C. Jones (n)*	508	530	53.21%	not applicable			not applicable		
	David Remine (p)	215	236	23.69%						
	Alex M. Nagy, Jr. (p)	201	230	23.09%						
	Roy J. Snyder (p)	108								
1975	*James G. Sprague (n)*	592		51.88%	not applicable			not applicable		
	Genevieve C. Jones (n)	549		48.12%						
				**						
1977	*James G. Sprague (n)*	461		63.24%	not applicable			*David T. Humes (n)*	459	58.40%
	Sandy Liss (p)	268		36.76%				Robert B. Enters (n)	327	41.60%
1979	*E. Allan Blair (n)*	n/c			not applicable			*David T. Humes (n)*	n/c	
1981	*John D. Coons (p)*	563		52.91%	*Constance Atman (n)*	n/c		*Amy E. Shaughnessy (p)*	701	64.79%
	David Remine (p)	501		47.09%				Mikie Kane (n)	381	35.21%
	Paul Sullivan (n) - withdrew			**						
1983	*John D. Coons (n)*	n/c			*Constance Atman (n)*	n/c		*Rose Lee Crutcher (n)*	576	62.75%
								Ralph G. Rudolph (p)	342	37.25%
1985	*Constance Atman (n)*	816		61.49%	*Dave Remine (n)*	760	63.02%	*Rose Lee Crutcher (n)*	595	73.73%
	Barbara H. Holstein (n)	511		38.51%	Glenn A. Hoernig (p)	446	36.98%	Robert U. Harris (p)	212	26.27%
					Kevin Johnson (n) - withdrew					
1987	*Frank S. Millendorf (p)*	355		58.97%	*Dave Remine (n)*	n/c		*Jane M. Kwiecinski (n)*	223	51.98%
	Allen Neuner (n)	247		41.03%				Ronn D. Koester (p)	206	48.02%
										* **
1989	*Joseph Zanca (n)*	664		64.03%	*Jean L. Cooper (n)*	369	51.75%	*Robert Beatty (n)*	312	62.28%
	Frank S. Millendorf (n)	373		35.97%	Renee C. Martin (n)	344	48.25%	Walter Gannon (n)	189	37.72%
1991	*Joseph Zanca (n)*	n/c			*Sallie Banko (n)*	312	50.57%	*Robert Beatty (n)*	260	65.16%
					Roger Gilbertson (p)	305	49.43%	Robert U. Harris (p)	139	34.84%
							*			
1993	*Joseph Zanca (n)*	n/c			*Sallie Banko (n)*	n/c		*Jean Becker (n)*	n/c	
1995	*Gerry Riley (p)*	345		57.40%	*Didi Pancake (n)*	189	43.05%	*Jean Becker (n)*	n/c	
	Ian Randall Strock (n)	256		42.60%	Frank Zollner (n)	131	29.84%			
					Arthur Gardner (p)	119	27.11%			
1997	*Gerry Riley (p)*	217		73.06%	*Stephen Slepner (n)*	131	51.57%	*Linda Hathaway (n)*	128	63.37%
	Steve Slavin (n)	80		26.94%	Steven Yaros (n)	123	48.43%	Dick Martin (n)	74	36.63%
			max:	73.06%			max: 63.02%			max: 73.73%
			ave:	58.70%			ave: 54.23%			ave: 62.81%
			min:	50.83%			min: 50.57%			min: 51.98%
			winning %				winning %			winning %

Year	Candidate(s) for RVC-4 (Midwest)	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%	Candidate(s) for RVC-5 (Southeast)	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%	Candidate(s) for RVC-6	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%
1965	*Robert A. Martinson (n)*	2,094		54.18%	not applicable				not applicable			
	Joseph Middleton (p)	1,771		45.82%								
				**								
1967	*Leo McGowan, Jr. (p)*	2,440		53.03%	not applicable				not applicable			
	Thomas S. O'Bannon (n)	2,161		46.97%								
	abstentions	309										
1969	*Marjorie McCorquodale (n)*	672		50.15%	not applicable				not applicable			
	James S. Dorr (p)	668		49.85%								
				* **								
1971	*Harper Fowley (n)*	579		54.01%	not applicable				not applicable			
	James S. Dorr (p)	493		45.99%								
	write-ins	8										
1973	*Ann Patrick Cook (p)*	n/c			*Nathaniel Weyl (n)*	327	372	58.03%	not applicable			
	Bettye Shafer (n) - withdrew				Arthur G. Keeney (p)	201	269	41.97%				
					Eleanor Goodman (p)	137						
					Morris McAllister (n) - withdrew							
1975	*Ann Patrick Cook (n)*	n/c			*Joseph J. Cornish (n)*	n/c			not applicable			
1977	*Roy C. Saper (n)*	n/c			*Susanne J. Wright (n)*	351		52.31%	*Joan Kollar (p)*	261	312	55.42%
					Abraham Hananel (n)	320		47.69%	Jill Kerekes (n)	187	251	44.58%
								* **	Mary H. Burrow (n)	121		
1979	*Jacqueline E. Gentry (n)*	233	327	61.24%	*David F. Mann (p)*	157	217	57.11%	*Jim Wantland (n)*	n/c		
	Bob Crawford (p)	151	207	38.76%	Marc Fisher-Galati (p)	124	163	42.89%				
	Pat Buchignani (p)	149			Orville Brandes (p)	115						
					Susanne J. Wright (n) - withdrew							
1981	*Helen L. Kupper (n)*	965		81.71%	*David F. Mann (n)*	562		64.97%	*Donald Hawkins (n)*	440		54.73%
	Lawrence Wallace (p)	216		18.29%	Stan Bercovitch (n)	303		35.03%	Charles Adkins (p)	364		45.27%
												*
1983	*Helen L. Kupper (n)*	n/c			*Richard Brasgalla (n)*	n/c			*Donald Hawkins (n)*	376		53.03%
									Roger R. Durham (p)	274		38.65%
									Leonard Unruh (p)	59		8.32%
1985	*Bob Burgermeister (n)*	n/c			*Richard Brasgalla (n)*	n/c			*Virginia R. Long (n)*	417	512	61.46%
									Roger Durham (p)	255	321	38.54%
									Mike Craddock (p)	179		
1987	*Bob Burgermeister (n)*	n/c			*David F. Mann (n)*	n/c			*Ed Ashworth (n)*	n/c		
1989	*Eric B. Adams (n)*	323		75.82%	*David F. Mann (n)*	n/c			*Carol L. Hilson (n)*	306		65.11%
	J. Russell Washburne (n)	103		24.18%					Darrell L. Noe (n)	164		34.89%
1991	*J. Russell Washburne (n)*	248		63.10%	*Fred "Bear" Berg (n)*	n/c			*Carol L. Hilson (n)*	n/c		
	Eric B. Adams (p)	145		36.90%								
1993	*J. Russell Washburne (n)*	n/c			*M. Eileen Steinhice (n)*	n/c			*Darrell Noe (n)*	227		56.19%
					Keith Proud (n) - withdrew				Lee Martindale (p)	112		27.72%
									Penelope Smith (n)	65		16.09%
1995	*Barbara Ploegstra (n)*	174		55.95%	*M. Eileen Steinhice (n)*	278		67.15%	*Darrell Noe (n)*	227		66.96%
	Jack Branstrom (p)	89		28.62%	Ike Kullman (p)	136		32.85%	Eric De Sardi (p)	112		33.04%
	Michael Hageman (n)	48		15.43%								
1997	*Barbara Ploegstra (n)*	100		50.25%	*Stephen Zink (n)*	149		54.98%	*Rik Hess (p)*	n/c		
	Willard J. Steinke (p)	99		49.75%	Ike Kullman (n)	122		45.02%				
				**								
		max:		81.71%		max:		67.15%		max:		66.96%
		ave:		59.94%		ave:		59.09%		ave:		58.99%
		min:		50.15%		min:		52.31%		min:		53.03%
		winning %				winning %				winning %		

Year	Candidate(s) for RVC-7	1st Tally	%	Candidate(s) for RVC-8 (Western)	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%	Candidate(s) for RVC-9	1st Tally	2nd Tally	%
1965	not applicable			*Alan J. Truelove (n)*	n/c			not applicable			
1967	not applicable			*Ellison R. Jack (n)*	1,703		36.09%	not applicable			
				Alan J. Truelove (p)	1,600		33.91%				
				Joan Anne Finan (p)	1,416		30.01%				
				abstentions	191						
1969	not applicable			*Henry Miller (n)*	n/c			not applicable			
1971	not applicable			*Henry Miller (n)*	n/c			not applicable			
1973	not applicable			*Alva Adams Uhl (n)*	n/c			not applicable			
1975	not applicable			*Patti Jacobsen (p)*	594		62.66%	not applicable			
				Leonard Rickard (n)	354		37.34%				
1977	*Rod Vickers (n)*	n/c		*Leonard Rickard (p)*	500		52.58%	not applicable			
				Patti Jacobsen (n)	451		47.42%				
1979	*Judy Vasiliauskas (n)*	n/c		*Leonard Rickard (n)*	n/c			not applicable			
1981	*Judy Vasiliauskas (p)*	740	72.12%	*Leonard Rickard (n)*	n/c			*David D. Felt (n)*	563		57.22%
	Lloyd M. Farney (n)	286	27.88%					Barbara Holt Jones (p)	291		29.57%
								Jay KleinBard (p)	130		13.21%
1983	*Hans G. Frommer (n)*	n/c		*Rue E. Mathison (n)*	777		66.07%	*Arthur E. Mattson (p)*	478		52.59%
				Darrell Bross (p)	399		33.93%	William Beser (n)	431		47.41%
1985	*Darlene Criss (n)*	264	51.97%	*John D. Cumming (n)*	n/c			*Robert Tutelman (n)*	765		54.84%
	Frank Geislinger (n)	244	48.03%					Jay KleinBard (p)	630		45.16%
1987	*Darlene Criss (n)*	n/c		*John D. Cumming (n)*	n/c			*Bob Rosenberg (n)*	230	296	59.80%
								M. Russell Bakke (p)	166	199	40.20%
								Steve Loeb (p)	116		
1989	*Judy I. Dosse (n)*	170	57.63%	*Robert Cox (n)*	268		50.00%	*M. Russell Bakke (n)*	325	520	60.47%
	Susan W. Ramsdell (n)	125	42.37%	David C. Whitney (n)	268		50.00%	Lendon Best (p)	293	340	39.53%
							* **	Barbara L. Harvey (n)	271		
1991	*Anthony Jackowski (n)*	171	50.29%	*Robert Cox (n)*	275		50.46%	*M. Russell Bakke (n)*	367		64.73%
	Judy Vasiliauskas (p)	169	49.71%	Elna Tymes (p)	270		49.54%	John G. Perez (p)	200		35.27%
			* **								
1993	*Anthony Jackowski (n)*	n/c		*Janice Johnson (n)*	n/c			*M. Russell Bakke (n)*	n/c		
1995	*Ed Ashworth (n)*	141	50.72%	*Jim Werdell (n)*	216		69.90%	*Ted Elzinga (n)*	241		50.10%
	Marie Mayer (n)	137	49.28%	Marie Fish (n)	93		30.10%	Mark Hutchenreuther	240		49.90%
											* **
1997	*Stephen Burnham (n)*	n/c		*Jim Werdell (n)*	n/c			*Mark Hutchenreuther (n)*	152		63.87%
								Bob Cox (n)	86		36.13%
		max:	72.12%			max:	69.90%			max:	64.73%
		ave:	56.55%			ave:	70.33%			ave:	57.95%
		min:	50.29%			min:	50.00%			min:	50.10%
		winning %				winning %				winning %	

Year	Winning Percentage, by Election (Year)		Winners: NomCom vs. Petition; % of petition winners		NomCom and Election Committee Chairmen
1965	max:	56.37%	NomCom:	2	
	ave.:	55.27%	Petition:	0	(no NomCom)
	min:	54.18%	%:	0.00%	Dr. Emerson Coyle
1967	max:	62.75%	NomCom:	2	
	ave.:	55.46%	Petition:	3	(no NomCom)
	min:	50.59%	%:	60.00%	Robert Sokol
1969	max:	56.33%	NomCom:	3	
	ave.:	54.02%	Petition:	1	(no NomCom)
	min:	50.15%	%:	25.00%	Byron Cole
1971	max:	60.24%	NomCom:	2	
	ave.:	54.99%	Petition:	3	Fredric M. Carlin
	min:	50.83%	%:	60.00%	Frank E.G. Weil
1973	max:	61.62%	NomCom:	5	
	ave.:	56.41%	Petition:	2	Laurel M. Enters
	min:	53.21%	%:	28.57%	Frank E.G. Weil
1975	max:	62.66%	NomCom:	1	
	ave.:	57.27%	Petition:	1	Nancy Berk
	min:	51.88%	%:	50.00%	Sheldon C. Hofferman
1977	max:	63.24%	NomCom:	3	
	ave.:	55.95%	Petition:	2	Beth Pos
	min:	52.31%	%:	40.00%	Frank E.G. Weil
1979	max:	63.48%	NomCom:	4	
	ave.:	57.85%	Petition:	1	S. Gail Skvarenina
	min:	53.03%	%:	20.00%	Frank E.G. Weil
1981	max:	81.71%	NomCom:	7	
	ave.:	62.50%	Petition:	3	Jennifer Brown
	min:	52.91%	%:	30.00%	Velma Jeremiah
1983	max:	66.07%	NomCom:	5	
	ave.:	55.81%	Petition:	1	Jerome E. Salny
	min:	50.76%	%:	16.67%	Velma Jeremiah
1985	max:	73.73%	NomCom:	8	
	ave.:	60.09%	Petition:	3	Charlotte Jermyn
	min:	50.17%	%:	27.27%	Mary E. Jansing
1987	max:	65.52%	NomCom:	5	
	ave.:	59.92%	Petition:	1	Rod Vickers
	min:	51.98%	%:	16.67%	Judy Chandler
1989	max:	75.82%	NomCom:	10	
	ave.:	60.09%	Petition:	1	Rod Vickers
	min:	50.00%	%:	9.09%	Judy Chandler
1991	max:	65.16%	NomCom:	10	
	ave.:	57.71%	Petition:	0	Virginia Host
	min:	50.29%	%:	0.00%	Richard & June Brasgalla
1993	max:	68.12%	NomCom:	1	
	ave.:	58.68%	Petition:	3	Donna J. Bonzagni
	min:	51.06%	%:	75.00%	John Pierce
1995	max:	69.90%	NomCom:	11	
	ave.:	56.57%	Petition:	2	Helen Lee Moore
	min:	40.12%	%:	15.38%	W. Brewster Gillett
1997	max:	73.31%	NomCom:	9	
	ave.:	60.05%	Petition:	1	Cher Burnham
	min:	46.81%	%:	10.00%	Mark Levy
Summary by Election	Av.Max:	66.30%	NomCom:	88	
	Ave:	57.87%	Petition:	28	
	Av.Min:	50.56%	%:	24.14%	

NOTES

1. Some NomCom candidates also submitted petitions, but these have just been shown as "(n)".
2. In 1967, the rules did not require the winner to have over 50% of the vote. The two three-way races that year were won with less than 50% of the vote. For comparison purposes, the figures from these races have been excluded from the summaries (re minimum, maximum, and average %)
3. In the 1973 Eastern RVC race, there was a 5th candidate (NomCom) named Kathleen (Kat) Finneran, but she withdrew.
4. The tied race (RVC-8 in 1989) was decided by a coin toss.
5. Regarding the figures for Number of Eligible Voters:
   For 1965-1971, the figure is the membership as of March 31. The uniform renewal date of April 1 took effect in 1972. Prior to that time, renewals were on an anniversary basis.
   For 1973-1985, the figure has been calculated from the March 31 membership, less the number of members who had not renewed as of March 31.
   For 1987-1991, the figure is equal to the Mensa Bulletin label run made near the end of March. These are the members who received Bulletins with ballots in them.
   For 1993 and 1997, the April 30 membership figures are used.
   For 1995, the figure used is an estimate.
6. Not included in these statistics are the elections for N.Y.C. and Los Angeles Representatives (Regions 2 & 9, respectively) (prior to 1981). The local groups held their own elections and certified results to the AMC. The winner then joined the AMC.
7. "None of the above" was a choice for each race in 1995 & 1997. The votes for "none of the above" have been excluded here.
8. For 1995 & 1997, the three-way races not decided on the first tally (i.e., the winner had < 50%) have been excluded from averages, as described in note 2, above.

	Summary of winning percentages by position		Summary of winning percentages: overall
Ave.	69.86%	Max.	81.71%
Average	59.17%	Average	59.08%
Ave.	50.87%	Minimum	50.00%