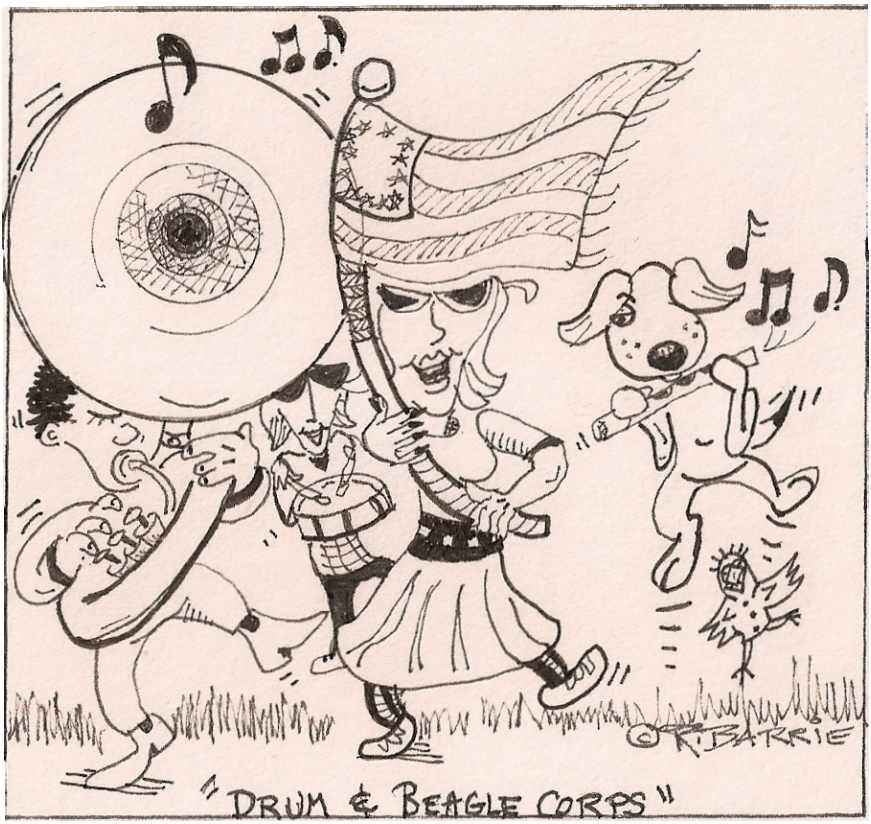
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# WENDY'S WORLD

Wendy Carnegie,

Another year has come and gone and a new Steering Committee is in place. As we had enough volunteers to serve on the steering Committee we didn't need an election. The 2012-2013 Steering Committee members are: Loc Sec--Wendy Carnegie, Vice Loc Sec--Deborah Frank, Scribe--Karen Petersmarck, Eileen Hatt, John Garrison, and Bob Henderson. I have contacted the Appointed Officers if they would continue chairing their committees. I'm waiting to hear from them. I would like to thank all the officers, elected and appointed, for offering to serve. You do a great job. There are 2 appointed offices that need a Chair: Scholarship and Gifted Children. I hope there is someone in our group that would be interested in accepting one or both of these committees.

This column will serve for both Editor and Loc Sec. Writing is not my forte, so one column is more than enough for me. I'm pretty sure you all will agree with me on this point.

I checked out the official Holiday information site. I discovered that Independence Day is not the only observance on July 4th. Also celebrated on July 4th are: Independence From Meat Day and Indivisible Day. I guess celebrating the 4th must be done without hotdogs or hamburgers. You men will enjoy July 5th--it's Bikini Day. I think July 7th will be a favorite of mine--it's Chocolate Day and July 28th is National Milk Chocolate Day. Another good one is July 22nd--National Penuche Fudge Day. It's a favorite of mine. It's made from brown sugar and has a somewhat caramel taste.

Have a Happy 4th of July.

Till next month...

# reMARK, July 2012

Betsy Yvonne Mark, RVC3

It's the Annual Gathering! I hope you are in Reno, Nevada, with me. I will be hosting a Region 3 Meet and Greet on Wednesday, July 4, from 6 to 7:15 PM and I hope to see you there – plenty of time afterwards for the fireworks! Region 3 Meet and Greets are great ways to connect with members from our wonderful Region. Touch base with members who share your interests. Are you on your ExComm? Do you volunteer for a specific something for your local group? Meet others who do the same and who might benefit from your experience. I have actually met members from my own local group who hadn't been at any local function and whose first event was the AG. When you sign in your local group gets points towards the Group of the Year Award. What a great way to make new acquaintances and friends!

It's not too late to register for the 2012 Columbus Area Mensa RG, The London (Ohio) Games to be held July 27-29. Tournaments will reign supreme as in any Col-M-Pic year, but there will also be a full slate of speakers, activities, Friday night kids, British-themed food and drink, and much more! Registration is $70 until 7/9 and $75 at the door. Friday only is $30, Saturday only is $50 and kids 11-18 are half price. Kids 10 and under are free. MP (5): included. Checks payable to Columbus Area Mensa. Hotel: Ramada East Airport, 4801 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43213; 614/861-0321. Room rates ($69) guaranteed until July 1. Contact Julia Ashley, PO Box 292557, Columbus, OH 43229; 614/448-6023; psibernaut@yahoo.com if you have questions and check out the RG's website: http://columbus.us.mensa.org/2012-rg.pdf

Western Pennsylvania Mensa takes you around the world in 80 hours this Labor Day weekend. See the world without pesky airport lines! Registration for adults and kids ages 4-9 is $90 and $45 until July 8 (the AG), $95 and $48 until Aug. 1 (Columbus RG), $99 and $50 postmarked by Aug. 26, and $115 and $58 at the door. Single-day registration rates for adults and kids ages 4-9 are $30 and $15 for Friday, $50 and $25 for Saturday, $50 and $25 for Sunday, $25 and $13 for Saturday or Sunday evening only, $25 and $13 for Monday. MP: all included. Checks payable to WPAM RG. Hotel: Doubletree (formerly Radisson), 101 DoubleTree Dr., (aka 101 Radisson Dr.), Pittsburgh, PA 15205; 800/445-8667; www.doubletree1.hilton.com/en_US/dt/hotel/PITGTDT-DoubleTree-by-Hilton-Hotel-Pittsburgh-Green-Tree-Pennsylvania/index.do. Room rates ($89) guaranteed until Aug. 11. CD 9 and under, H RP Aug. 20 cutoff DT SA CP H/AS. Contact Jamie Fritz, 345 Thompson Run Rd., Penn Hills, PA 15235; 412/612-0634; jlongstreth@comcast.net.

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Cincinnati Area Mensa is in an excited state (any of the energy levels of a physical system – like an RG committee) as you are invited to the HyperchaRGed gathering. (Hypercharge: the quantum number equal to B [baryons] + S [strangeness] + C [charmed].) Gravitational attraction and radiant energy brings you to the Doubletree in Sharonville starting Nov. 30, and inertia takes you to a half-life of the event on Dec. 2. The natural frequency of this event is 30! Yes, the 30th Regional Gathering! Positronically assured of a periodic table of entrees, Quark's bar, luminosity in the programs and momentum in the tournament track. Quanta rates are (all postmark dates) $60 through June 1, $65 through Aug. 1, $70 through Nov. 24, $75 thereafter. Children under 5 are free. Ages 6-10 are $15. Ages 11-20 are half the full rate. Partial rates are available at the door. Friday only = $30; Saturday only = $65. Saturday dinner and dance (after 5 p.m.) = $40. No rollovers. Refunds must be requested by Nov. 29, 2012. Checks payable to Cincinnati Area Mensa RG. Hotel: Doubletree, 6300 E. Kemper Rd., Sharonville, OH 45241; 513/489-3636; www.doubletree.com/hotels/CVGKRDT. Room rates ($99) guaranteed until Nov. 15. S CD 10 and under, H RP 11/29/12 cutoff DT. Contact Cassie Ryle, 7270 West Chester Rd., West Chester, OH 45069; 513/755-6322; cassier@fuse.net.
I am looking forward to seeing you soon.

LLAP and Peace,

# Betsy

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# Math Puzzle

Bob Henderson

A Mensan who takes medication to control her chronic health condition finds that she can order a bottle of 90 double-dose pills for less than twice the cost of 90 single-dose pills. As a bonus, they last twice as long before she needs to order a refill! Each morning she randomly picks either a whole or half-pill from the bottle. If it is a whole (double-dose) pill she cuts it in half, takes her daily half-pill dose and puts the remaining half-pill back into the bottle. If it is a half (single-dose) pill she just takes it and puts nothing back into the bottle.

The number of half (single-dose) pills in the bottle starts at zero and goes up with each whole (double-dose) pill that she picks, but then it must fall back to zero again after 180 days. At some point in between, the number of half-pills in the bottle reaches its maximum value. At that point, about how many of the whole (double-dose) pills are still in the bottle?

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# Mid-Michigan Mensa Membership

John Garrison

June 2012

132 Members

**MENSAversaries**

Congratulations

28 John Hunt
22 Matthew Larsen
20 Ted Levy
5 Michael Bohde
25 Dawn Ramsay
22 Eleanor Keating
15 Marie Bennett

**MENSA Birthdays**

Happy Birthday

8 Kristen Shuler
10 Christopher Grove
17 David Salsbury
10 Genevieve Munk
12 Gary Gordon
21 Keven Anstett

**Reinstating Members**

Welcome Back, We Missed You

Pamela Benzing from Hillsdale
Mark Poindexter from Mt. Pleasant

**Move in**

Welcome. We are glad to have you join our group

Susan Finch in Howell



# STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Karen Petersmarck, Scribe
June 8, 2012

PRESENT: Frank Dolinar, Roy Saper, Bob Henderson, Ginny Henderson, Wendy Carnegie, Eileen Hatt, and Karen Petersmarck.

The meeting was called to order by Frank Dolinar at about 7:10.

OLD BUSINESS

**Steering committee.** Some changes in the Steering Committee were necessary. There was a mix-up with board members. It was thought that Frank would remain on the board, but not as LocSec. Frank said he can't be on the board due to time constraints, but will serve as Membership Chair. Karen Petersmarck agreed to join the board and will serve as Scribe. Wendy Carnegie agreed to take over as LocSec. Deborah Frank will be Vice LocSec.

**Membership.** Eileen is setting up a test for two potential new members.

**Picnic.** Karen Petersmarck will call Gail Wolf to set a date for the picnic. [Note: the date is August 5.]

**Bylaws.** Wendy is still working on the bylaws revisions. She will e-mail them to the Steering Committee before the next Steering committee meeting.

**Scholarship.** Frank has applied for a community grant from IBM to be used for scholarships. He is hoping for $500 to $1500. The money would go to the national Mensa Education and Research Foundation (MERF), and designated for our group. Any future donations or money raised for MMM scholarships will be transferred to MERF, and dispensed from there.

NEW BUSINESS

**Participation.** Ways to encourage existing members to turn out for events were discussed. Frank called the four new members who had moved to Lansing last month to welcome them; three of them expressed plans to show up. Roy Saper had several ideas. (1) Schedule a dinner or event that would be designated as a "New member welcome event." (2) Make phone calls to new members or those who have not shown up in a long time (or never). Explain that they will be introduced and invited to

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# Steering Committee Minutes--Continued

speak for a couple minutes to the group. (3) Ask them what their favorite restaurant is, and then schedule a dinner there soon after. (4) Ask them what they like to do, and schedule an activity around that. It was agreed that the picnic in August could serve as a new member welcome. Other ideas: (1) Encourage every Mensan to make a point of speaking to all fist-time visitors to make them feel really welcome. (2) Send a follow-up note to anyone who shows up for the first time of the first time in a long time. (3) Offer a ride to new members or those who may not be able to drive. (3) Advertise meetings in the newspaper. (4) Interview new members, and summarize the interviews in a "Meet a New Member" column in the Headline. (5) Each Steering Committee calls six no-show members a month. (6) Have name tags at the picnic. (7) Don't send out the June Newsletter to new or prospective members, since the lead article expressed frustration with the group.

**Budget**. Our budget, published in the Headline, now shows a negative balance for the Scholarship fund. Roy Saper explained that our bylaws require that any money given for scholarships must be raised specifically for that purpose. The negative balance is just an accounting practice to show that the money has been encumbered. Now that our scholarships will be based at MERF, we don't really need a scholarship fund. Abolishing the scholarship fund will not affect our bottom line.
**Motion. Abolish the MMM Scholarship Fund in recognition that our scholarships will now be coming out of MERF.** Carried.

**Meet in the Middle.** Wendy is checking on the date for this annual event that Jean Becker organizes. It has been fun in the past to meet jointly with SEMM members somewhere between Detroit and Lansing.

**Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned by Wendy about 8:00.



# Food For Thought

By Barb Ford

The new chicks are here! They were hatched on May 16th at Ideal Poultry in Texas. On May 18th at 5:59am, I received a call from Eva at the Mocksville Post Office to come in and collect them. There were 58 chicks in a small box; all peeping like crazy to be let out and begin their life at our newly expanded chicken coop. Everyone arrived in good health and began feeding and drinking after I dipped each little beak in their water. This year I chose a wonderful assortment of brown egg layers. Included in the new pullet brood are: Welsummers, Barnvelders, (rare Dutch breeds) Cuckoo Marans, Buff Orpingtons, Production Reds and Speckled Sussex. I ordered one rooster, but I think there may be at least two other surprise roosters in the brood. Since our former rooster Smokey died, I miss the crowing.

We are down to just 20 adult laying hens. There were poaching possums last summer that got several, and currently there is a pesky family of coyotes grabbing them out of our yard in broad daylight. I love all wildlife, but when they start nabbing my chickens, I get furious. I am offering an open invitation to any and all folks who want to sight in on these nasty beasts for target practice.

Back to the chicks. I have a small brooder I was hoping to keep them in for at least a week or two. They made it one night. It was too crowded, so I made a protected space in the corner of the coop. That lasted six days. I finally gave up and gave them the run of the coop. They are so rambunctious; I can hardly keep up with them. Voracious little buggers; they are eating everything in sight. In addition to their chick chow, I added clover, grass with root balls, and dandelions. One chick found an earthworm in a root ball, and began to squeal and run around with it hanging from her beak. The resulting pandemonium was like watching Pee Wee football as the others began to chase her in hopes of getting the worm away from her. You might imagine what transpired when I threw three worms on their feeding board. It was akin to a low budget Godzilla movie.

Currently, the chicks are four weeks old and nearly fully feathered. Next week, I plan to let them out into the chicken yard. What fun!





# Answers to Math Puzzle

The number of half (single-dose) pills in the bottle goes up each day that she randomly picks a double-dose pill and goes down each day that she instead picks a single-dose pill. The number of half-pills in the bottle will reach its maximum about when it is equally likely to increase or decrease. This will occur when the number of whole pills is equal to the number of half-pills in the bottle (I get an average of about 33 each near day 81).




# More Fun With Words

Internet

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never me herbivore.

I'm reading a book about antigravity. I just can't put it down.

I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.

They told me I had type-A blood, but it was a type-O.

PMS jokes aren't funny. Period.

We are going on a class trip to the Coca-Cola factory. I hope there's no pop quiz.

I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.

Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?

When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.

Broken pencils are really pointless.

# LUGNUTS BASEBALL MEANS SCHOLARSHIP MONEY FOR MMM

John Garrison

It has been a few years since our Scholarship Fund has been in the black. This year there is hope on the horizon that we can again award local scholarships to those who enter our essay contest.

MMM has entered into an agreement with the Lansing Lugnuts Baseball team to operate food concessions at four of their home games this season. We must have at least 10 workers at each game. Admission, lunch and parking is free. We will earn between $350 and $400 per game. All of this money is slated for exclusive use for our scholarship program. A person can work one, two, three or all four games.

The four game dates and our arrival times are as follows:

Friday - April 27 @ 8:30 AM
Tuesday - May 8 @ 8:30 AM
Sunday - July 4 @ 5:00 PM (Fireworks after the game)
Sunday - September 2 @ Noon (Labor Day Weekend)

Please note the variances between arriving times. The games will start about an hour and a half after we open the booth. Games usually take less than 3 hours.

This is one time Mensa really needs not only your mind but your body too.

Please contact John Garrison (517) 349-7313 or Wendy Carnegie (517) 339-1448 for more info or to sign up.



# THIS 'N THAT

Elizabeth Evangelista

### SUMMER BASH

The SEMMer Bash is SEMM's Annual Summer Picnic. It is held at the Kensington Metropark, 2240 W. Buno Rd., Milford., at he the Spring Hill "C" Picnic area. Besides lots of picnic food, there will be swimming, boat rental, hiking and biking paths, nature and farm centers, board and card games, and lots of great conversation! It will be held on Saturday, July 21, from 11:00 am until dusk. Cost: $5 for park admission; $5 for the picnic if pre-registered, $10 at the door. The registrar is: John Voymas, 25620 Dartmouth St, Dearborn Hts., MI 48125-1117, or go to semmantics@sbcglobal.net. They have made the cost low this year, and are hoping to see lots of us there!

### LA SENORITA GIVE BACK FIESTA

This is a fund-raiser for our Scholarship program. The date we have selected to do it is Tuesday, July 24. The ways it works is this: The restaurant gives us pre-printed "tokens" (coupons), which we can duplicate and distribute to all our friends, relatives, and anyone else we can think of. On July 24th, from open to close, anyone can present one of the tokens at La Senorita, (on Lake Lansing Rd,) for an eat-in meal, carry-out or a gift certificate, and 20% of the proceeds of those sales will go to Mensa to be put into our treasury for our Scholarship fund. We are not allowed to distribute the tokens on the premises on the 24th. It seems like a no-stress fund-raiser, and hopefully we hungry Mensans also have lots of hungry relatives, friends, etc.

### ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Join us to celebrate the 38th Anniversary of the founding of MMM, at our annual picnic and pool party. It will be held at the home of Gail and Alan Wolfe, 2298 Bennett Rd., Okemos, (Bennett Veterinary Clinic), near the corner of Bennett and Okemos, on Sunday, August 5. Meet at about 2 PM; eat at about 4. Meat and soft drinks will be provided; bring a dish to pass. The Maron Stewart Scholarship Award has traditionally been presented at this event. This is a popular and fun event--hope to see you there! and don't forget your bathing suit.

SEMMer Bash
Kensington Metropark
2240 W. Buno Road
Milford, MI 48380
Saturday, July 21, 2012
11:00 a.m. until dusk

Join us for picnic fare-hamburgers, hot dogs, associated side dishes, snacks and beverages will be provided. We just need you to make it complete! We will meet at Kensington Metropark at the **Spring Hill "C" picnic area** to celebrate our annual rite of summer. Come early, stay late, bring plenty of sunscreen and be ready to have a great time! There is swimming, boat rental, hiking and biking paths, and nature and farm centers, so bring any accoutrements you might need. Don't forget to also bring your favorite board or card games! **FOOD & BEVERAGES ARE INCLUDED!**

Admission fee to picnic:
$5.00 PER PERSON IN ADVANCE
$10.00 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

***Park entry fee*:** $5.00 - day pass, $25.00 - yearly pass

Admission fee to picnic:
$5.00 PER PERSON IN ADVANCE
$10.00 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

**DIRECTIONS TO KENSINGTON METROPARK**

**From Lansing:** Take I-96 east to exit #151, Kensington Road. Turn right on Kensington Road, go over the expressway. Park entrance will be on the right on the north side of I-96.

**From Flint:** Take U.S. 23 south to I-96 east. Get off at exit #151, Kensington Road. Turn right on Kensington Road, go over the expressway. Park entrance will be on the right on the north side of I-96.

**Be aware of road construction at some of the exit ramps from I-96.**

Or use PayPal, go to semmantics@sbcglobal.net. Tell us your name and how many people are coming with you!

**SEMMer BASH 2012 REGISTRATION**
**COMPLETE AND MAIL THIS PORTION BY JULY 16 TO:**
John Voymas
$5.00 per person in advance. Checks made payable to "SEMM"
25620 Dartmouth St.
Dearborn Hts., MI 48125-1117

YOUR NAME: _____ # OF TICKETS: _____
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: $ _____

# Diabologic: S.T.E.M.

by Frank Dolinar

The universe is made of rubber bands.

It wasn't always that way. Writings from the early Greeks state that the world (the modern concept of the universe didn't exist) was made of only four elements: earth, air, fire, and water. Everything on Earth was made of one or more of these elements. Everything off Earth, such as the sun, moon, stars, and planets, was attached to crystal spheres that rotated around the unique, fixed, unmoving, flat Earth located at the center of the universe.

Today, we know that the Earth is one of a family of planets, all spherical, which traverse elliptical orbits about the star, that we call the Sun, at the center of our solar system. It took centuries of work by dozens of astronomers and physicists to accumulate the evidence needed to allow us to have the knowledge and to make that statement. Indeed, we now know that the sun and our solar system are just one tiny speck in the galaxy we know as the Milky Way, which is but one of billions of known galaxies. Earth is no longer the center of the universe.

The elements have undergone a similar evolution. Instead of four, there are about 92 naturally occurring elements – there is still debate over the exact number. Our understanding of these chemical elements and their properties took a giant leap forward when, in 1869, Dimitri Mendeleev, devised the periodic table of the elements, a method for classifying the elements and their characteristics. Without this tool, the state of numerous technical disciplines would be primitive if they existed at all.

The physics of the small has perhaps undergone the strangest evolution.

As we developed tools to manipulate and measure smaller and smaller chunks of matter we gained evidence that the ancient Greek concept of atoms was an actual physical reality. Atoms, once perceived as small billiard balls, had an internal structure of so-called elementary particles, protons and neutrons in the tiny central speck known as the nucleus and electrons in a surrounding cloud. These "elementary" particles themselves have an internal structure of whimsically named quarks (from James Joyce's book Finnegan's Wake). Quantum mechanics came into play in an attempt to understand and describe the behaviors of these quarks. The mathematics of these descriptions generated more questions than answers. Theorists found themselves dealing with ten

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dimensions of space and infinitesimally small “strings” – ultimately small rubber bands whose vibrations define the type of particle they are.

Applications of these sciences become the technological foundations of our modern society.

We can thank dozens of scientists from every discipline for the basic scientific knowledge and the fundamental disciplines that make our technologies possible.

It’s easy to think our technology makes us smarter and more capable than our ancestors. I don’t agree. While current technologies might, initially, be perceived as magical to someone from the past, they’d quickly grasp the idea of technology. Besides, in many ways they’re just as magical to us today.

Fewer students are interested in science than in years past. Many think that science is boring, that they aren’t smart enough to study science, or both. Teachers may also be uncomfortable around or uninformed about science. It’s been a gradual move away from coursework in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education. I believe STEM should be a core curriculum at every level of education, rather than being marginalized.

Effective science education cannot exist without knowledgeable teachers, engaged students, and the support of the community. Recently, there has been less involvement of these populations in the conversation. The risk is that the level of involvement may drop below that needed to sustain it.

Much of this problem comes from a failure to understand science and the scientific method. A large portion of the population thinks the goal of science is to provide answers. It’s more a process of trying to find the right question, hypothesis, and experiment to determine whether a particular idea describes how the world really works and, if possible, to understand that process.

This takes work. Research sometimes leads to dead ends. These are not failures, just a way of reshaping the universe of discourse.

The 21st century will be dominated by science and technology. We need people in business, politics, education, and everywhere else who

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understand the capabilities and limits of science. Decisions made without that understanding could be politically, economically, and/or socially catastrophic.

This task won't be easy, but it must be undertaken because science works.

It starts with education – S.T.E.M. education.

Any questions?

# TC Puzzles

# 221
The color line was hazy
He wanted something new
The blacks he knew were tempting
But he was feeling blue

# 222
They should have saved the birdseed
And used GPS instead
Then curbed their raging appetites
For a taste of gingerbread

# 223
Bars keep a silent secret
That's difficult to see
Sam broke into the silence
When he gave the world the key

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# TC's Puzzle Answers

#221 Thomas Gainsborough
222 Hansel and Gretel
223 Samuel Morse



# JULY 2012 CALENDAR

Wed., July 4 **LUGNUTS:** Help our Scholarship fund by volunteering to work the Concession Stand . Arrive at 5 PM for the 7:05 game. Wear khaki pants or skirt and a white top. **!!Please help-we need 10 people!!**

Fri., July 6 **TGIF: MITCHELL'S FISH MARKET:** 2875 Preyde Blvd., Lansing. It's in the Eastwood Towne Center.

Sun., July 8 **LIT SIG:** The Lit Sig will discuss *The Heart of a Woman* by Maya Angelou. They are meeting at Joanne Sullivan's at 802 Searles Estates Dr., St. Johns at 1:30 PM. Contact Joanne at 989-906-3521 with questions.

Fri., July 13 **TGIF: ALDACO'S:** 6527 S. Cedar St., Lansing. Near the intersection of S. Cedar St. and S. Pennsylvania Ave. You can have the Mexican buffet or order from the menu.
**STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:** After dinner at Aldaco's.

Fri., July 20 **TGIF: GOURMET VILLAGE**: 4790 S. Hagadorn, E. Lansing. In the Hannah Plaza. Chinese food.
**SPEAKER**: Our own Frank Dolinar will speak on "Recent News about Private Space Programs." After dinner at Gourmet Village. about 6:45. Join us for dinner or afterward to hear the speaker.

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# JULY 2012 CALENDAR--Continued

Sat., July 21 **SEMMER BASH:** SEMM's summer picnic, at Kensington Park Metropark. 2240 Buno Rd., Milford, Spring Hill Picnic Area. II:00 AM until dusk. $5 Park admission; $5 advance tickets or $10 at the door. See article on page 11 in the Head-Line for details.

Tues., July 24 **LA SENORITA GIVES BACK FIESTA**: 2706 Lake Lansing Rd. Help raise funds for the Scholarship Program! Give all your friends "tokens" for La Senorita, and 20% of the profits from those meals on this day will be donated to Mensa for our Scholarship Fund. Meals all day, carry-out and gift cards are included. See article elsewhere in the Head-Line for details.

Fri., July 27 **TGIF: BROOKSHIRE INN:** 205 W, Church St., Williamston. We will eat outside if weather permits.

Fri. ,Aug. 3 **GRAND LEDGE HISTORICAL MUSEUM:** 118 W. Lincoln, Grand Ledge. Lincoln is the 3rd street south of the river. Learn about the beginnings of Grand Ledge! No charge, but a donation is nice.

Fri., Aug 3 **CANCUN RESTAURANT:** 300 S. Bridge St., Grand Ledge. After visiting the Historical Museum, enjoy a Mexican dinner at Cancun. By the corner of Rte 100 and Bridge St.

Sun., Aug 5 **ANNIVERSARY PARTY:** At the home of Al and Gail Wolfe 2298 Bennett Rd., Okemos, near the intersection with Okemos Rd. Gather at about 2; eat about 4 PM. See details on page 11 in the Head-Line.

Fri., Aug 10 **TGIF: DELHI CAFE:** 4625 Willoughby Rd., Holt. Greek and American food.

Fri., Aug 10 **STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:** Following dinner



TGIFs are on Fridays. We meet at 6:00 PM, but you're welcome at any time. Come and get acquainted. All members and friends are welcome at the events above. Any member may schedule an event. Please remember: who, what, when, where, and why. The deadline to schedule an event is the 15th of the month before the event. You can contact Elizabeth Evangelista, Calendar Coord., by regular mail: 5275 E. Hidden Lake Dr., East Lansing, MI 48823; by phone: 517-351-3645; or by email:evangel6@comcast.net