

August 2018

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THE FINE PRINT

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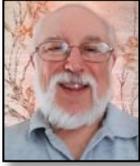
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August is National Catfish Month, Peach Month, National Picnic Month

Have a great month from The *Muse*!

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August RVC Column

RVC Rich Olcott

August, the perfect time for a picnic, under a shady tree, near the top of a hill with a cooling breeze. And ice cream on the way home.

Like many Mensans who could make it to Indianapolis over the July 4 week, I enjoyed American Mensa's own massive indoor picnic – **AG2018**, an intellectual fun-fest of seminars, discussion groups, games and whatever. If you joined Mensa in search of mental stimulation, this was the place to be. If you joined to make new friendships with intelligent people, this was the place to be. If you joined just seeking a group where you *belong*, this was the place to be. If you couldn't make it there, well, there's next year in Phoenix -- save the date, you'll find it's worth it.

But that's not the year's only Mensa picnic. Some of ours in the Heartland Region collided with each other. Both **Denver Mensa** and **Boulder/Front Range Mensa** had their annual picnic on the 16th of June, right on top of the western edition of our Regional Leadership Development Workshop. **Mid-America Mensa** had their picnic (and White Elephant Sale) on the 3rd of June. **Nebraska/Western Iowa Mensa** combines picnics with field trips – this year's was on the 9th of June when they visited (I kid you not) Squirrel Cage Jail. And **Plains&Peaks Mensa**, well, I don't know which to highlight because those folks go somewhere to eat practically every weekend.

One of my peak moments at the Fort Collins LDW was presenting RVC Service Award pins to three of our members who had stepped up to hard jobs. For quite a while now, **Paula Wilson-Caziér** has been Wyoming Mountain Mensa's Editor and do-everything person, including

chivvying **Bess Carnahan** into volunteering to lead WMM when she moved back to Wyoming. Bess did that and has been a ball of fire for us ever since. Similarly, **Jim Stiles** hit the ground running for North Dakota Mensa when he became their LocSec. It was a privilege to set a well-deserved silver pin in front of each of them. Thanks, folks.

~~ Rich

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Welcome New WebMaster:
MICHAEL KEARNEY - Emeritus Redux!

Newest Member of **B/FRM Team**, in charge
our **cool B/FRM WEBSITE:**

<http://www.bouldermensa.org>

See **B/FRM WEBSITE** for list of *all our sterling B/FRM TEAM* and *all our interesting/fun B/FRM SOCIAL MEDIA Websites.*



AUGUST'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS!

AUGUST'S DINNER!

Monday, August 20th

At



1701 Pearl St., Boulder, CO 80302

Enjoy classic American food with good company!

Seating begins at 6 and dinner begins at 6:30. Don't forget to prep your brains for a chance to become the Boulder/Front Range Mensa Exalted Skald!

ANTICIPATE: December Dinner Elections Coming!

DID YOU KNOW: We only have **3 elected positions:** LocSec, Ass't LocSec and Treasurer (currently: Jim Stuart, Tom Denkenberger and Lynn Chambers) who in turn appoint our other **4 ExComm Officers** (the ExComm has 7 voting members, meets quarterly). The ExComm in turn appoints the rest of our other super volunteer **7 Staff Officers**.

B/FRM Election Season is starting ! See back of MUSE for **FULL LIST** of the fun-loving, helpful B/FRM **TEAM**. **YOU** could be listed **here too**. Try it out, Have Fun, Learn new skills, Help Team, Enhance your resume. It's **EASY** to join the team - with our long-envied tradition of

B/FRM's Smooth Transition (No Ballots) Process !

The Incumbent is always **pleased** to **WELCOME** and **MENTOR** you - and the group will enthusiastically **CHEER** you stepping forward to help out. :-)

CONSIDER YOU putting YOUR name in the hat ! for **any of 3 fun elected positions** you might like to try (then let LocSec know anytime before December) - or request to be appointed to **any one of the other 11 fun positions** you might like to try. As always, the gracious Incumbent is **pleased** to **welcome** + **mentor** you - and the group will enthusiastically **cheer** your adventuresome, helpful, volunteering spirit. :-)

LocSec DECREE: Let our cosmic B/FRM members

1) enjoy **Great Balls of FIRE!** overnight 8/12-13/18



August 12, 13 - Perseids Meteor Shower. The Perseids is one of the best meteor showers to observe, producing up to 60 meteors per hour at its peak. It is produced by comet Swift-Tuttle, which was discovered in 1862. The Perseids are famous for producing a large number of bright meteors. The shower runs annually from July 17 to August 24. It peaks this year on the night of August 12 and the morning of August 13. The thin crescent moon will set early in the evening leaving dark skies for what should be an excellent show. Best viewing will be from a dark location after midnight. Meteors will radiate from the constellation Perseus, but can appear anywhere in the sky.



AUGUST'S PUZZLE!

Rearrange the letters of 'CLOSE US IN' to give a connected nine letter word.

What is it?

JULY'S PUZZLE ANSWER!

Calculate the numbers in the order shown, do not change the order of the numbers.

Replace each question mark with a mathematical sign. Plus, minus, multiply and divide can each be used once only.

What is the highest number you can possibly score?

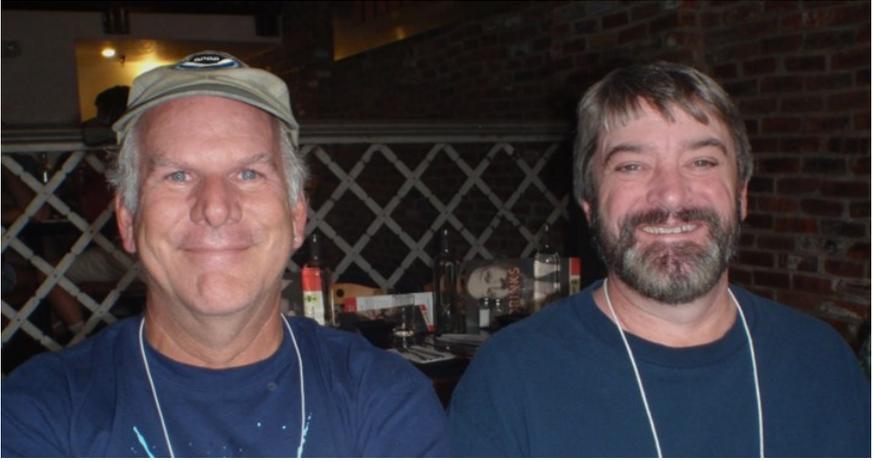
$$8 ? 5 ? 2 ? 6 ? 3 = ?$$

Answer: 36. Plus, divide, multiply and minus.

From the Mensa UK website, <http://www.mensa.org.uk/>



PHOTOS FROM THE RIO!



Michael K. with Tim K., no relation



Jon S., Dave O., and Pete K. enjoy the atmosphere



John P. and VeraLouise K-P. say “cheese”



Jim S. and Alan M. are in good company



Dennis T. and Kristie B. strike a pose



Chris C and Tom D. smile for the camera

New Board Game/Tabletop Game Night

Hi, Members. I'm a new member, and have been told that the group used to have a board game night. I'm willing to host a new board game night periodically, meeting in a conference room at the Boulder Public Library, Main Branch, if there is sufficient interest. We can reserve a room at no charge. We would need a guaranteed minimum 5 attendees per meeting, with a maximum limit of 20. If you are interested in attending such an event, send email to me at pakirslis@q.com, with a subject line of "Mensa board game event". Include what times are best for you, and whether you can bring a board game with you (which one(s)). I have a few games I can bring. I will summarize the email I receive, then reply to them with the list of games we would have, and suggested times to meet, and we can continue from there. If there is sufficient interest, these events will appear in future issues of the newsletter.

Any board games (a.k.a. tabletop games) are welcome, though I would like to focus on a type of tabletop game called a Eurogame (or Euro-style game). This style of game emphasizes strategic play and social interaction, while downplaying luck and conflict. For a comprehensive introduction to this style of game, and some examples of such games, see a Wikipedia article at <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eurogame>.

**REPORTS OF OUR DEMISE HAVE BEEN GREATLY
EXAGGERATED!**

COLUMBUS AREA MENSA 2018 RG

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Joining or Rejoining Us

Cy Frost, Peter Kirslis, Jay Moorman, Allen Stenger

August's Mensaversaries:

2-9 Years

Eugene Osegovic, R Linenoak, Brody Cyphers, Cade
Cyphers

10-19 Years

Frank Welzig, Cy Frost

20+ Years

James Austin, James Austin, Eric May, Annlouise Stevens

Happy August Birthday wishes to:

Christopher Wade, Tyler Loomis, Brandon Kirsch, Michael
McKeever, Stefana Kornicer, Ryan Smieja

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