

Borealis

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APRIL CALENDAR

Book Club - Saturday, 7 April, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

The April Book Club selections will be *two* books by Jack Kerouac: ***On The Road*** and ***The Dharma Bums***. Since we discussed the author at length in our last meeting, this will be a general discussion of the books by all present. The group will meet at BC Pizza, 3186 LaFranier Road, in Traverse City.

You are welcome to drop in and see what the book club is like, even if you haven't read the books.

Brunch - Saturday, 14 April, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

The April brunch will be held at The Cottage Inn, 472 Munson Avenue at 8th Street, in Traverse City. We will meet in the separate room in back.

ExComm Meeting – Sunday, 22 April, 2018, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

ALL VOTING AND NON-VOTING MEMBERS OF EX-COMM ARE STRONGLY URGED TO BE PRESENT AT THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF OUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE COTTAGE INN ,472 MUNSON, TRAVERSE CITY.

We will be discussing problems and plans for the rest of the year.
Any member of the chapter is welcome to attend the meeting .

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Ice on East Bay near Traverse City
Photo by Stan Cain

News from the RVC3

By the time that you read this, I trust that the early flowering plants have burst forth and that spring is well underway. I always look forward to this time of year as a time of rebirth and new beginnings.

In April, I will be on the road again. The first weekend of the month, is the VML, an informal RG-like gathering in Cincinnati. Virginia Plottel and Mary Lee Kemper did not want to leave everyone in the lurch when Dayton Area Mensa had to cancel this year's RG. I hope to see many of you there.

Two weeks later is the Southeast Michigan Mensa RG at the Marriott hotel just north of Detroit Metro (DTW) airport. Lots of great speakers and a full kid's track. Beer tasting, wine tasting, chocolate feast.

The Annual Gathering (AG) is coming up in early July in Indianapolis. Close enough for many of us to drive to. Lots of cultural activities and breweries (for those of you so inclined) are available in the Indianapolis area. The day before the AG is the Colloquium. This year's theme is Manufacturing, certainly apropos being held in the heart of Industrial America.

Columbus Area Mensa is hard at work to plan the "We're Not Dead Yet" RG. They hope to host it on one of the last two weekends in July. Hotel negotiations are underway.

Western Pennsylvania Mensa (WPAM) is once again hosting their RG over Labor Day weekend and Cincinnati Area Mensa just announced that their RG will be November 30 to December 2. Looks like I'll have a full schedule doing the RG Circuit in Region 3 this year.

Don't fret if your local group is not hosting an RG in 2018. I do plan on visiting all the other groups over the next few months. That means you, Vandalia Mensa (as well as Maumee Valley and the various Michigan local groups)!

I encourage everyone to visit your neighboring groups. Meet fellow members of Mensa who are within a day's drive. Strike up new friendships.

Have a great month!

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