



# Borealis

The Monthly Journal of Northern Michigan Mensa

## May Calendar

**Brunch Saturday, 11 May 2019, 11:00 a.m. at the Cottage Inn, 470 Munson (at 8th), Traverse City.**

Wildflower Hike - Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Rain or Shine

For those who have never been to the Treat Farm in Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, you will have a treat (no pun intended). Even those who have gone on this hike in previous years will enjoy the spectacular displays of spring wildflowers. There is probably no more magnificent showing of wildflowers in northern Michigan than in the northern hardwood forest leading to the old farmstead. The approximately two-hour hike is easy and you will be treated to a huge display of the best that Nature has to offer.

We will meet at the Treat Farm entrance gate, which is located near the west end of Stormer Road about a mile south of the Empire Village limits on M22. If coming south from Empire, turn right on Stormer and drive about a half mile to the point where there is a sharp curve to the left. You can park your vehicles anywhere along the side of the road, but be sure to display a National Park pass in your parked vehicle.

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## It's time to vote

**Ballots, both print and digital, for American Mensa's and Mensa International's elections have been distributed. You'll get yours the way you asked for it in your Communication Preferences. Both the domestic and international ballots are included in the same packaging, regardless of whether you receive them in print or by email. Either way, it takes only a few minutes to vote.**

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**THE AMERICAN MENSA ELECTION** is open through May 15, 2019 11:59 PM CDT. To cast your vote go to: <https://www.directvote.net/mensa/> and login. Candidate information is available on the online ballot.

**THE MENSA INTERNATIONAL ELECTION** is open through May 15, 2019.

For information on MIL candidates, click on the MIL candidates link at <https://www.us.mensa.org/2019election>. For ballot questions, email [iec-chair@mensa.org](mailto:iec-chair@mensa.org); for technical support, email [onlinevoting@electoralreform.co.uk](mailto:onlinevoting@electoralreform.co.uk).

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# News from the RVC3

The Southeast Michigan Mensa RG is from April 26 to 28 in Romulus, Michigan.

The Columbus Area Mensa RG is from July 19 to 21, location to be announced soon.

I hope to see you at one of these RGs in Region 3 or perhaps you can join me at the OMG (Outdoor Mensa Gathering) hosted just over the state line in southern Indiana.

Oh, this year's Annual Gathering (AG) in Phoenix promises to be a "hot" time with "cool" people. See you there!

John Voymas, Vice Chairperson, Region 3

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Book Club meets at BC Pizza, 3186 LaFranier Road, in Traverse City at 11:00 a.m.

Interested in joining our Mensa book club? Come to the meeting for a lively discussion, even if you have not read the books.

## **2019 BIBLIOMENSANS SCHEDULE**

**JUNE 1**

***American Nations: A History of the Eleven rival***

***Regional Cultures of North America***

Author: Colin Woodard, Presenter: Sherry

**AUGUST 10**

***Hope Never Dies***

(NOTE: not our normal date)

Author: Andrew Shaffer, Presenter: Jim

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