



# Borealis

## May 2021 Calendar

Bibliomensans next meet June 5

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**May 9 ... Mothers' Day**  
**May 31 ... Memorial Day**

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### Executive Committee

We need volunteers to fill our vacancies and have an assistant for each position

#### VOTING MEMBERS

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|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Local Secretary | Gene Fry        | 231-668-1362         | gfry.cherokee@gmail.com |
| Deputy Loc Sec  | KC Mowrey       | 231-775-8785         | kcmowrey@charter.net    |
| Treasurer       | Richard Thibeau | 231-409-4209 (New #) | rthibeau@coslink.net    |

#### APPOINTED MEMBERS

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|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Newsletter Editor   | Richard Thibeau        |                      |                            |
| Financial Overseer  | Vacant                 |                      |                            |
| Membership          | Bernie Hanchett        | 231-946-5177         | barneydulittle@hotmail.com |
| Program Chair       | Vacant                 |                      |                            |
| Scholarship Chair   | Kymberli Wregglesworth | (989) 733-4820       | kwregglesworth@oacsd.com   |
| Testing Coordinator | John D. Schultz        | 231--640-4569 (new#) | jsvoyageur@gmail.com       |

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## **Bibliomensans**

This is the schedule for the Bibliomensans' 2021 reading meetings. Anybody is welcome, whether or not they have read the book. If they are Mensans they are members of Bibliomensans. We meet at 11:00 a.m. on the first Saturday of the month at B. C. Pizza, at 3186 LaFranier Rd. in Traverse City. Zip code is 49686 (restaurant is at SE corner of Airport and LaFranier Rds.). Meetings are held in February, April, June, August, October, and December. In August we meet on the second Saturday of the month. The presenter introduces the book and then everybody goes around the table, voicing their opinion. After that the discussion is open. I am now the contact person, Heather J. Gruenberg-Seger, I can be reached at home: 231.932.9501. All other information on the book group link is still valid.

February: My Own Words, by Ruth Bader Ginsburg

April: The Night Watchman, by Louise Erdrich

June: Our House is On Fire, by Greta Thunberg

August: Isadore's Secret, by Mardi Link

October: Hellhound on His Trail, by Hampton Sides

December: The Disappearing Spoon, by Sam Kean

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**In December 2021, the Executive Committee elections will be held. Terms are for 2 years starting January 2022. Please consider stepping up to fill these spots (LocSec, Deputy LocSec, and Treasurer). *Everyone should take a turn to keep the group functioning.* Also, a new Editor for the Borealis will be needed at the same time. Volunteers for each position would be gratefully accepted.**

## News from the RVC3

John Voymas, Vice Chairperson, Region 3

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We are in the midst of the election season. The voting period runs from April 15 to May 15. There are several members running for national office. I encourage you to make an informed choice on who will lead American Mensa in the next two years. In Region 3, Lora Mitchell of Columbus Area Mensa will assume the Regional Vice Chair (RVC) responsibilities on July 1st.

The World Gathering (WG) is still planned for August 24 - 29, 2021 in Houston, Texas. There will be tours and fun things to do in the Houston area, but please be patient as these cannot be finalized until closer to the date. With COVID, great flexibility is necessary. At this time, the Gala Dinner with LeVar Burton is "sold out" but this may change if CDC guidelines allow for more attendees as we get closer to August. No promises but we can hope.

The WG will be preceded by the Mensa Foundation Colloquium "Advances in Food Science" on August 23. If this is a topic that interests you, I highly recommend purchasing tickets for this event. For more information on both the World Gathering and on the Colloquium, go to <https://ag.us.mensa.org/>.

Following closely after the WG, the next Regional Gathering (RG) in Region 3 will be hosted by Western Pennsylvania Mensa. This will be over Labor Day weekend so there will be an extra day of programs, fun, and friendship. It is expected to be in-person as long as COVID guidelines allow a gathering of our size. Columbus Area Mensa is planning their RG for October 15 - 17. Details on these should be available on the National Events Calendar.

Enjoy the spring weather!

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