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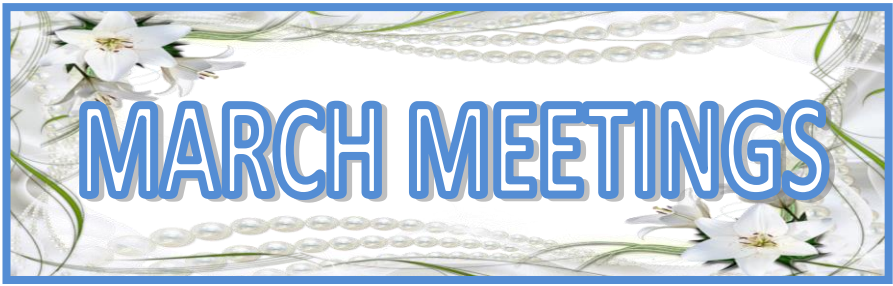
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**Pig Out** Saturday, March 6, 12:45 p.m. *Adrian's Café*,  
2121 N. Rock, just south of 21<sup>st</sup>, on the west side of  
Rock, near Best Buy. This restaurant is well known and well liked for its  
Mediterranean style food. [www.adrianscafe.com](http://www.adrianscafe.com)

**Program Meeting** Saturday, March 13, 2:00p.m.  
downstairs at *Watermark Books*,  
4701 E. Douglas Ave, at Oliver St.

James Zongker, Kansas Sunflower Mensa member, will speak on  
"*Conformity and brain function diversity.*" James has 3 STEM degrees  
but also has an interest in psychology. His theme will be: Diversity is  
healthy, natural, beautiful and to be enjoyed! There are both benefits and  
pitfalls to social and cognitive conformity, but we should build bridges,  
not walls, and worry about things that cause real harm.

**Food for Thought** Saturday, March 20, 11:00 a.m.  
Downstairs at *Watermark Books*,  
4701 E. Douglas Ave, at Oliver Street. This is the same location as our  
program meeting. Food and drink are available. Members and guests  
are welcome for informal conversation.

**Banter and Books** Saturday, March 27, 7:00 p.m.  
*Barnes and Noble* bookstore  
cafeteria, 1920 N. Rock, Wichita. This is a congenial place to meet, and  
if you need a book, this is a good place.

**February Meeting.** Doug Gooden spoke on a subject that was  
not familiar to many of us: spectrometry. Spectrometry is looking at  
the amount of each wavelength of light that reflects from an object,  
and thus learning unexpected things about that object.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The people below have a birthday in March or April. Congratulations to all of you.

## MARCH

Rebecca Brandewyne	4
Geraldine Flaharty	4
Joseph Leroux	6
Tara Goodwin	13
Gregory McDonald	13
Jeffrey Atkin	16
Saralyn Smith	22
Bo Anderson	22
Edward Freeman	23
Mark ward	23
James Zongker	24
Harold Gaines	26
Sarah Ross	28

## APRIL

Stephen Clinton	4
Jan Santoscoy	11
John Prechtel	18
Laura Wilson	21
Terry Stofferson	22
Stuart Boehmer	27



**Jane Johnson, past President of our group and current Recruitment and Testing Chair and Proctor, passed away February 14, 2016. She had suffered from cancer for a number of years. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the family at [www.gofundme.com/janesmemorial](http://www.gofundme.com/janesmemorial).**

# Hi Guys

## Greg Kontz Vice Chair Heartland Region 7

So – long story short:

- Had an angiogram and a couple of stents put in October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Had the surgery on January 15<sup>th</sup>, came home two days later. Now it's a process of getting strength and mobility back.
- Looking forward to spring and mowing the lawn, taking a walk, having a nice conversation with somebody . I figure to go back to the office next week, be off the pain meds soon after. Another positive is that I quit smoking after 50 years.
- To those of you who sent good thoughts and prayers – thank you very much – they mattered.
- Next on the agenda is Susan getting a knee replacement – probably in April. We're both thinking that 5 or 10 years of boredom after that would be great.



In other news:

- Like last year, if a group has a couple of members who you think should have their membership fees covered for whatever reason – lemme know and I'll take care of it. I don't need to know how you decide, or what the reason is, but I do ask that the request come from the LocSec. Please let me know by March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- A new Mensa test is going through the approval process – will be available in 2016.
- You can start registering for the AG in San Diego, 2016.

Later – Greg Kontz, [grik@fisherind.com](mailto:grik@fisherind.com), 701-290-0743

## QUIZ

The 25 words below contain the letters PAN. Try to fill in the blanks with help from the clues on the right. Answers on page 7.

Thanks to Lucille Campbell

- |              |                        |
|--------------|------------------------|
| 1. PAN __    | 1. TERROR              |
| 2. PAN __    | 2. LOVEABLE BEAR       |
| 3. __ PAN __ | 3. SOUTH AMERICAN      |
| 4. _ PAN _   | 4. ELASTIC FIBER       |
| 5. PAN _     | 5. UNIVERSAL REMEDY    |
| 6. __ PAN _  | 6. BUSINESS            |
| 7. _ PAN     | 7. FOREIGN COUNTRY     |
| 8. PAN __    | 8. DISCUSSION GROUP    |
| 9. PAN __    | 9. NARROW COUNTRY      |
| 10. __ PAN _ | 10. FRIEND             |
| 11. PAN __   | 11. FOOD CLOSET        |
| 12. __ PAN _ | 12. RENTER             |
| 13. PAN _    | 13. WIDE VIEW          |
| 14. _ PAN _  | 14. EUROPEAN LANGUAGE  |
| 15. _ PAN _  | 15. MAKE LARGER        |
| 16. _ PAN _  | 16. DOG TYPE           |
| 17. PAN _    | 17. SILENT ACT         |
| 18. PAN _    | 18. OWNED A BOX        |
| 19. _ PAN _  | 19. PUNISH             |
| 20. PAN _    | 20. WIDESPREAD DISEASE |



**Dogs are welcome in this hotel.**  
**We never had a dog that smoked in bed and set fire to the blankets.**  
**We never had a dog that stole towels or played the TV too loud.**  
**We never had a dog that got drunk and broke the furniture.**  
**Your dog can stay here. If the dog will vouch for you, you can stay also.**

## Personal musings

You know that little thing inside your head that keeps you from saying things you shouldn't? I don't have one of those.

I prefer not to think before I speak. That way I am surprised, like everyone else.

Sometimes I panic and think there is a crazy person in my house. Then I realize it is just me.

I never argue. I just explain why I am right.

I never use my turn signal. It is not anyone's business where I am going.

Age is just a number. Weight is just a number. Numbers are starting to bother me.

I was sick in the hospital, and close to death, a few years ago. When it was all over I had an "out of money" experience.

Teacher: How old is your father?

Kid: 6 years.

Teacher: How is this possible?

Kid: He wasn't a father until I was born.



AG: The annual Mensa gathering (party) will be held this year in San Diego, June 28 – July 3. It is great fun, and not too early to make plans. Larry and Gordon plan to attend. Dexter and Bill also have in the past. Ask them about it.



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### ANSWERS, from p 5

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|---------------|---------------|
| 1. PANIC      | 11. PANTRY    |
| 2. PANDA      | 12. OCCUPANT  |
| 3. HISPANIC   | 13. PANORAMA  |
| 4. SPANDEX    | 14. SPANISH   |
| 5. PANACEA    | 15. EXPAND    |
| 6. COMPANY    | 16. SPANIEL   |
| 7. JAPAN      | 17. PANTOMIME |
| 8. PANEL      | 18. PANDORA   |
| 9. PANAMA     | 19. SPANK     |
| 10. COMPANION | 20. PANDEMIC  |

There are so many scams around now days. Send me \$19.95, and I will tell you how to avoid them. [Dexter Schnebly](#)



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