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Pig Out Saturday, May 7, 12:45 p.m. *The Good Egg*,
Near rock and 21st. This is in Bradley Fair on the SE
corner, near 21st but a bit East of Rock. It is primarily a breakfast place
but does have lunch items as well. If you have suggestions for future Pig
Outs pass them on to Mike Dickson at 651-4707

Program Meeting Saturday, May 14, 2:00p.m.
downstairs at *Watermark Books*,
4701 E. Douglas Ave, at Oliver St.

Kyle Kraemer, a student at Wichita North High School, has been
visiting Kansas Sunflower Mensa and is interested in becoming a
member. He will speak on theoretical physics, ideas behind traveling
between interstellar bodies and how people can travel distances of light
years with ease. I think this might be an explanation I can actually
understand.

Food for Thought Saturday, May 21, 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.

Banter and Books Saturday, May 28, 7:00 p.m.
Barnes and Noble bookstore
cafeteria, 1920 N. Rock, Wichita. They sell snacks as well as books,
and tolerate our attempts at intelligent conversation.

April Program Meeting

As can happen, our scheduled speaker did not show up. We
will forgive her. Margarita Barnett, Bill's wife, led a discussion
that proved very stimulating. The question she raised was:
What effect will the current cultural changes taking place in our
society have in the future.

QUIZ

- 1) How many nations are there in the world?
- 2) What four nations are largest, in order of land area?
- 3) What nation has the smallest land area?
- 4) If all the ice on earth melted, how much would the oceans rise?
- 5) Where is the original homeland of the gypsies?
- 6) What city is in two continents?
- 7) In what country are most of the houses heated by hot springs?
- 8) Where is the lowest point on land?
- 9) What are the four Scandinavian nations?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The people below have a birthday in May or June. Congratulations to all of you.

MAY

David Jack 3
William Henson 6
Sonya Kellogg 7
Robert Byrne 19
Margaret Harris 25
Gary Witham 30

JUNE

Josh Durner 1
Richard Chipman 2
Laura Brauer 4
Richard Foster 9
Geoffrey Brown 11
David St John 19
Marshal Christmann 25

**Hi
Guys**

**Greg Kontz
Vice Chair
Heartland Region 7**

Later – Greg Kontz, grjk@fisherind.com,

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Something to say?

This is a group newsletter. If you have any news about yourself that you think other members of the group might be interested in, send it along.

Also if you feel up to the task of writing an article send it in also. (They should be about the length of one page. If it is much longer, it will probably be edited.)

An interesting picture you have taken could be sent also.

Send to: Editor: g-j-b@usa.net.

Foreigners attempt English

A Nairobi Restaurant:

CUSTOMERS WHO FIND OUR WAITRESSES RUDE, OUGHT TO SEE THE MANAGER.

Cocktail Lounge, Norway:

LADIES ARE REQUESTED NOT TO HAVE CHILDREN IN THE BAR.

On the main road to Mombasa, leaving Nairobi:

TAKE NOTICE: WHEN THIS SIGN IS UNDER WATER, THIS ROAD IS IMPASSABLE.

Dry Cleaners, Bangkok:

DROP YOUR TROUSERS HERE FOR THE BEST RESULTS.

In a City restaurant:

OPEN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK AND WEEKENDS.

Hotel, Zurich:

BECAUSE OF THE IMPROPRIETY OF ENTERTAINING GUESTS OF THE OPPOSITE SEX IN THE BEDROOM, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE LOBBY BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

Airline ticket office, Copenhagen:

WE TAKE YOUR BAGS AND SEND THEM IN ALL DIRECTIONS.

A Laundry in Rome:

LADIES, LEAVE YOUR CLOTHES HERE AND THEN SPEND THE AFTERNOON HAVING A GOOD TIME.

EDITORIAL:

It has never been easier to travel.

**Try to visit at least one foreign
country in your lifetime.**

中国的道路 (Chinese Roads)



Jean Babcock

Jean Babcock, a former member of our group, left Wichita in 2012 to go to St. Louis for a lung transplant. There was a waiting list, and she had to be close in case her name came up.

She has now had the operation, is doing well, and looking for reemployment as an engineer.

A few of our meetings, like the PIG SIG were started by her.



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QUIZ ANSWERS

- 1) 196
- 2) RUSSIA, CANADA, CHINA, UNITED STATES
- 3) VATICAN CITY 0.17 sq. mi.
- 4) 230 FEET
- 5) INDIA
- 6) ISTANBUL, TURKEY
- 7) ICELAND
- 8) ISRAEL AND JORDAN
The Dead Sea shore
- 9) SWEDEN, NORWAY, DENMARK, ICELAND

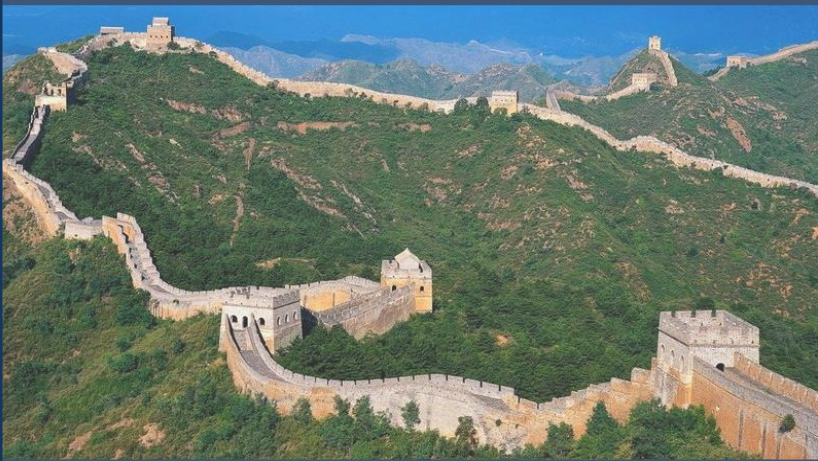


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