

Skinner Sez,



Hi all,

Busy, fun, busy, fun, busy, fun - well I think you might get the idea. I have spent $\frac{1}{2}$ of the weekends since the AG out of town. I took on a new volunteer job, stepped off of 3 committees and 1 board to allow me to have time for the new volunteer job and then I have a job too.

One thing I know from talking with people at RGs and AGs is that Mensans tend to be involved in a lot of things. I think that is part of what makes talking with them so interesting. Watching the job people do putting on the RGs and AG or local events lets me know that there are people who care about Mensa and the Mensans in their community.

Thank you to each of you who have helped set up events for your fellow Mensans. Thank you to those of you who show up and pitch in.

I am feeling grateful today and it is showing up as I write this. Truth is when I start writing this I usually have no idea what I am going to say. So, on to some business, for all of the organizational last minute changes at the AG people seemed to be having a good time. The HELL's M's Hospitality Suite worked out very well and Yvonne had a lot of support. Thanks to David Weinberger for all of the help with the beer. There was a steady flow of people helping Yvonne and I do not have a list or I would tell you who they were. (note to self, have a signup sheet the next time).

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Submissions

Hell's M's is the Party SIG- tell us how you go about throwing a small party, a large party a theme party, a games party, a quiet party, or a wild party.

Party Animal votes are submitted to Skinner, please also submit a picture and a write-up to the Editor.

Deadline for the Spring issue February 15

Deadline for the Summer issue May 15

Deadline for the Fall issue August 2

Deadline for the Winter issue December 15

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Thanks to all who submitted articles and content. And, as always, thanks to David.

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To keep track of the AMC agenda and the Committee Reports, go to <https://secure.us.mesa.org/members/index.php>. You'll need your username and password. Follow the links to **Committee Reports**. The ASIEs are under **Member Resources**.

The HELL's M's credo:

Any party, large or small, will be considered a HELL's M's party if everyone participating or affected by the party has good memories the day after the party is over.

HELL'S M's Membership Application

Name: _____

Mensa #: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone (____) _____

Dues \$8 per year (does not include shirt). Membership runs 6/30 to 6/30. If you join after 4/1 your membership runs through 6/30 the following year.

T-shirt: For a T-shirt, fill-out the order form below and add the t-shirt

Size	Chapter #	Quantity
S		
M		
L		
XL		
XXL		
XXXL		

Send to:

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Days: (937) 258-0745

For tank tops or sweatshirts put a "t" or an "s" next to the order.

Contact Skinner for information on special sizes.

Contact Skinner for postage costs for countries other than the US or Canada.

Note: Shirts are custom printed; it can be 1-3 months before you shirt arrives.

PARTY CHAPTERS

Chapter	Name	Chapter	Name	Chapter	Name
1		31	SLAMMers		
2	Dayton Chapter	32	Sinsinnati	62	Heartbreakers
3	Central New Jersey	33	Hog Butchers	63	Rainflowers
4	Louisiana Chapter	34	Beach Bums	64	Schlepper Colony
5	Maumee Valley	35	Pitt Dwellers	65	Hell's Belles
6	Capitol Cossacks	36	Electronic Elite	66	Black Cats
7	Tragic Kingdom	37	Alaska	67	Lonestar Hell-lapenos
8	Owlterego	38	Question Authority	68	
9	Windy Ridge Chapter	39	Joy Boy GayM Toy	69	LXIX
10	Asilomar	40	Heavy Mental Thunder	70	Eschew Obfuscation
11	Minnesota Chapter	41	Houston Hellions	71	HEARTLESS
12	La Republica de las	42	Milliways Chapter (Mostly Harmless)	72	VLAANDERE N
13	Hard Luck Chapter	43		73	THE PRIMORDIAL OOOHs ... AND AAAHs
14	AMC Alumni Chapter	44	MERF Supporters	74	Boingy! Boingy!
15	New Mexico Fire fighters	45	Buffalo Chips	75	HOSPITALITY LEGION SAFETY MATTERS
16	67 Asnem	46	Germany	76	TUCSON MARGARITAS
17	M-Riders	47	Unnatural Disaster	77	GenX Rated
18	Emerald City	48	3/Sig		
19	Terminus	49	Till Death do us Party		
20	303rd Bombardment Group	50	The Queen's Croquet		
21	Flying Tigers	51	Chapter 11		
22	Cosmic Family Campout	52	Gemutlichkeit		
23	Southern California	53	Lost Wages		
24	Unbridled Broward	54	Cheeble		
25	High Country Hellions	55	Hellsteins		
26	Maryland Maniacs	56	Consensual Wine & Music		
27	Evil M-Pyre	57	Beer-O-Spbeer Crew		
28	SEMIManiacs	58	Aurora Borealis		
29	Manasota	59	Locsex		
30	TANSTAAFL	60	Closed Chapter		
		61	Stormhenge		

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After the New Year we will be starting to look at how this might work if we do it at the 2008 AG. Would you folks like to see another HELL's M's Hospitality Suite?

At the AG we had a Meet and Greet and our SIG meeting. Each meeting was well attended. I am hearing the echoes of "meeting adjourned" in my mind so I'll stop typing.

I hope things are going well for you. Yvonne and I will be at Halloween and I am looking forward the conversations I will be a part of while I am there.

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 5/1/07: \$4785.50

Deposits: \$2312.00

Checks: \$2555.39

Balance as of 8/20/07: \$4542.11 submitted

John G. Massura

Treasurer, Hell's M's

Letter to Skinner

Hey Skinner,

Haven't heard from a Hell's M for a while. Good to hear that y'all are still alive and kickin'. Wish I could get to the AG, but alas, cannot get off work.

Please pass the word that my hotel has a special rate for Men-san's. I give 15% off for any M, and if an upgrade is available for a Jacuzzi room - Hell's Ms get it.

Sam Parkins

General Manager

Best Western—Paola, KS

Party Animal Hall of Fame

Remember that these people are now ineligible to be selected as Party Animal at future RGs. (I know this makes selecting the Party Animal a little difficult because there have been many times when I have had to ask people for a second name when I am collecting the votes because those Party Animals are still helping people have a good time).

Robert Andrus	Linda Hathaway
Red Bellamy	Nancy Heller
Cher Burnham	Mary Lee Kemper
Janet Century	Rocky LeFarth
Greg Crawford	Ray O'Connor
Niki Foor	Loretta Olson
Rob Foor	David Plottel
Yvonne Porter	Virginia Boatman Plottel
Misty Richmond	Beth Weiss
Mary Jane Tala	Debra Williams

NEW PARTY ANIMALS recognized in 2007 are:

Stormie Kullman	Sandy Johnson
Cathy Knowles	Joan Brogley
Long John	Maria Sawczuk
Bob Osterman	Ralf Kittenbacher

Shirts that need a home

Here are some shirts that you can get at \$2.00 less than the listed price. See the order form for the list prices. NOTE: for the AG2001 shirts you must be on record as qualified to buy them.

DAYTON CHAPTER	- S
Joy Boy GayM Toy	- 2 @ M
HEAVY MENTAL THUNDER	- XL
GEMUETLICHKEIT	- L, XL
HELL'S BELLES	- M

What Costs What

T-shirts are available without joining Hell's Ms SIG.

The Hell's Ms logo can be printed for \$3.50 plus postage on any black item you provide.

T-Shirts

Size	Membership and shirt	Additional shirts	Add'l postage to Canada
S to XL	\$18.00	\$10.00	\$2.10
XXL	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$2.50
XXXL	\$21.00	\$13.00	\$2.65

Sweatshirts

Size	Membership and shirt	Additional shirts	Add'l postage to Canada
S to XL	\$22.00	\$14.00	\$3.45
XXL	\$24.00	\$16.00	\$4.30
XXXL	\$25.00	\$17.00	\$4.30

Aprons

Size	Membership and apron	Additional apron	Add'l postage to Canada
One size	\$22.00	\$14.00	\$1.70

Starting a New Chapter

All new chapters must be approved by Skinner.

To start a new chapter the first order must be for a minimum of 18 shirts at the full price. If you cannot meet the minimum, send \$1.00 per shirt not ordered. **For example:** Order 10 shirts and send \$8.00 to cover the difference. This is to cover the cost for the new pattern.

The minimum is for the first order only. After the first order, shirts can be ordered individually.

Zarya's Space

It's been a busy summer for me. I enjoyed seeing friends and making new ones at the AG. Shortly after the AG, David and I expanded our family to include Gareth Adam Weinberger and Benjamin Antoine Weinberger. That being said, I appreciate your patience on the timing of this newsletter.



If you have articles or pictures to submit for the next newsletter, please send them by December 15. If you have questions please contact me at 678-361-1221 or Zarya_Steele@Hotmail.com

Booteak

In addition to the traditional shirts, the following Hell's M's items are also available. Order something new to go along with your renewal this year—don't you need a Hell's M's tie? Or perhaps a patch?

Our new option is to print a small logo (no chapter) on a golf-style shirt. You provide the shirt. The cost is \$3.50 plus postage.

Tank tops, sweatshirt and apron	See the order form
Stickers	10 for \$1.00, 60 for \$5.00, 100 for \$8.00, 200 for \$15.00
Temporary tattoos	1 for \$2.00, 6 for \$10, 10 for \$15, 15 for \$20
Patch (2x3) (Embroidered)	\$5.00
Belt buckles, black and pewter	\$15.00
Embroidered logo	\$40.00 - you supply a black jacket or material \$12.00 - for chapter name \$4.00 - for your name
Insulated Can Holders	\$3.00
Ties	\$15.00

Party Animals

At the **Columbus RG** Cathy Knowles was elected Party Animal. Reported by Mary Lee

At the **Lone Star Mensa RG** we held a meeting of Hell's M's at midnight, Monday morning, September 3. We had 11 members present. Joan Brogley was elected Party Animal. Reported by Ray O'Conner

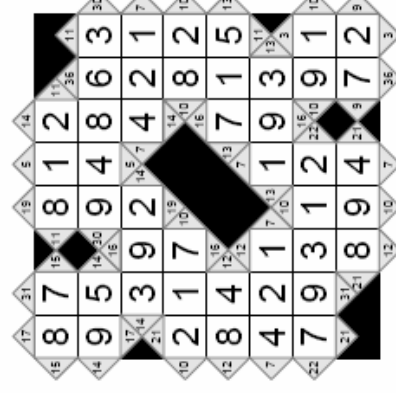
The winner for Party Animal at **SEMMantics**. Long John with two (count 'em, two) votes. Reported by David Plottel.

Party Animal vote at **Cleveland** was Bob Osterman. Reported by Long John

The Party Animal at the **Delaware RG** was Maria Sawczuk. Reported by Lee.

The Party Animal from **Peachtreat (Mensa in Georgia)** was Ralf Kittenbacher. Reported by Ray O'Conner.

Answer to Kakuro (Page 7)



If you are looking for a pleasant chat group where there is a wide ranging discussion, I invite you to check out the HELL's M's discussion group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Hellisms/>

Eggplant Balls

Submitted by Nancy J. Heller
Taken from *Father Orsini's Italian Kitchen*.

Polpetti di Melanzane

*(Mamma's Own Original Mock Meatballs
Made from Eggplant)*

- 2 large eggplants (4 pounds)
- 2 cups Italian Bread Crumbs (page 97)
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cups grated Parmesan cheese
- garlic cloves, finely minced, or 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- Olive oil, for frying

Wash eggplant, cut off ends, peel, then slice into quarters and boil in salted water until soft. Place in a colander to drain and cool. Once cooled, remove most water from eggplant by carefully squeezing.

In a large mixing bowl combine the eggplant with the remaining ingredients. Mix well and add more bread crumbs as needed until you can form mixture into 1-inch balls. Roll the balls in bread crumbs and fry in olive oil until very brown. You can serve these as a vegetable side dish; in our Basic Tomato Sauce (page 41)—add them during the last fifteen minutes of cooking the sauce and serve as a meat substitute with spaghetti; or they may be used as a hot antipasto.

Kakuro Instructions

Kakuro puzzles are like a cross between a crossword and a Sudoku puzzle. Instead of letters, each block contains the digits 1 through 9. The same digit will never repeat within a word. If you add the digits in a word, the sum will be the number shown in the clue. Clues are shown on the left and right sides of "across" words, and on the top and bottom sides of "down" words

Kakuro

From Wikipedia

Kakuro or Kakkuro (Japanese: カックロ) is a kind of logic puzzle that is often referred to as a mathematical transliteration of the crossword. Kakuro puzzles are regular features in most, if not all, math-and-logic puzzle publications in the United States. Dell Magazines came up with the original English name Cross Sums and other names such as Cross Addition have also been used, but the Japanese name Kakuro, abbreviation of Japanese kasan kurosu, (加算クロス, addition cross) seems to have gained general acceptance and the puzzles appear to be titled this way now in most publications.

