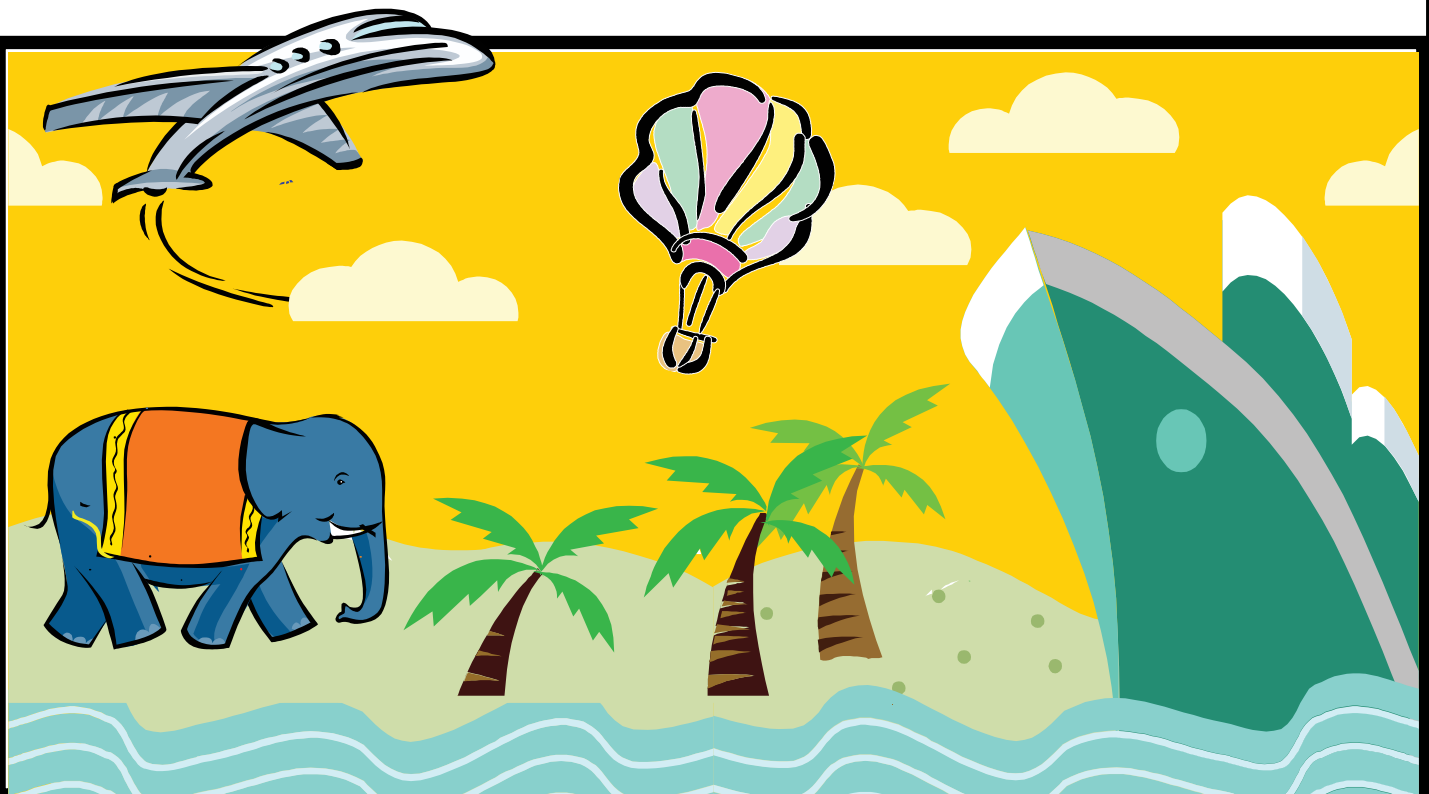


# Around the **WORLD** in 80 **HOURS**

## **ORANGE COUNTY MENSA** **2013 Regional Gathering**

**Radisson Suites Hotel**  
**Buena Park, CA**

**August 30 - September 2**  
**2013**



## **Your Itinerary**

# Welcome to “Around the World in 80 Hours”

On behalf of Orange County Mensa and OCM's 2013 RG Committee, I want to welcome you to “Around the World in 80 Hours.” We are so pleased you are able to join us on our 80-hour tour! Our RG Committee has had lots of fun thinking of ways to give an international flair to this RG.

I want to extend a special welcome to all the RG “first timers.” I encourage you to shake off your shyness, jump right in, begin meeting your fellow Mensans ... and have a great time.

It takes many hands to bring an RG to fruition. We all owe our sincere thanks to the volunteers on the RG Committee who have worked hard over the past months and also those who are giving up their free time to help out on site. When you see someone volunteering, be sure to say thank you.

Next, thank you to all of our speakers and workshop leaders, both members and non-members. They are volunteering their time to share their knowledge and their expertise to benefit all of us who attend their sessions.

Finally, I want to extend a special thanks to each of you for showing your support by coming to “Around the World in 80 Hours.”

This Program Book is your souvenir Itinerary/Travel Log.

Our journey begins!



**Angie Mattson**  
*Your Captain (RG Chair)*

## 2013 RG Committee

*Around the World in 80 Hours is brought to you by:*



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*Your 1st Mate & Tour Guide*  
(Vice Chair & Program Chair)



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

*Read this to be "in the know" this weekend...*

### Hospitality Suite (LaPaz/Buena Park)

The Hospitality Suite is where you can go in between scheduled programs to relax, have a snack or drink and visit with new acquaintances and long-time friends.

The Hospitality Suite hours (unless otherwise posted) are:

- Friday: 2 PM – Midnight
  - Saturday: 8 AM - 6:30 PM & 8:30 PM – Midnight
  - Sunday: 8 AM - 6:00 PM & 8:00 PM -- Midnight
  - Monday: 8 AM – 2 PM
- Hospitality will be closed for 2 hours on Saturday and Sunday evenings during our Meal Plan dinners.
  - Unfortunately, our Hospitality Suite cannot accommodate everyone's dietary needs or preferences. The hotel's restaurant (Flora) is open throughout the day.

### Games Room (Monterey)

The Games Room will be open the same hours as the Hospitality Suite.

An assortment of board games and puzzles are available, and if the mood strikes you, wander in, select a game or puzzle and start playing. If it looks like you're having fun, others are sure to join you. It's a great way to meet your fellow attendees.

At certain specified times, we've scheduled a specific game. If you don't want to participate in the scheduled game, and you'd rather play a different game or work on a puzzle, that's fine, as long as it doesn't interfere with the scheduled activity.

Please treat all games gently and return all pieces to the appropriate box.

Please don't remove the games from the RG area.

### Your Name Badge

Your name badge is your "passport" to the RG. Please wear it all times and make sure it's visible. If you are not wearing it, you may be asked to go get it.

RG Committee Members can be identified by their gold badges.

### Volunteer Opportunities

Sign up ASAP for a volunteer shift! The RG is planned, run, and staffed by our volunteer attendees, and the more people who pitch in, the more fun it is for everyone! All you need to donate is an hour or so of your time in Hospitality or Registration. Volunteers will be compensated in MensaBucks, which you can use as entries in our Monday prize drawing. We will be especially appreciative of help cleaning up on Monday afternoon.

### Children and Teenagers

Your children and teenagers who are registered for the RG are welcome to attend any session that is not restricted to adults, but we do not have special events for them. Children must be supervised by a parent or other adult. California state law prohibits us from serving alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age. Note to attendees staying at the hotel: there is no lifeguard at the hotel pool; parents are responsible for the safety of their own children.

### Friday Evening - Bake-Off

Show off your baking skills! Homemade cakes, cookies, pies, and candy will be sampled and judged in Hospitality on Friday evening at 7:00 PM. All contributions of baked goods will earn MensaBucks -- extra chances in our prize drawing. Afterward, baked entries will be served in Hospitality.

### Sunday Evening – Wear an Ethnic Costume

Celebrate your ethnic heritage or dress to represent a country you've visited or would like to visit. The best costumes will receive MensaBucks -- extra chances in our prize drawing.

## "Meal Plan" Meals

The Committee offers our sincere thanks to all who participated in the RG "Meal Plan." To show our appreciation, we will give those who purchased meals additional MensaBucks, which can be used as additional chances in our Monday Treasure Chest prize drawing.

We will have extra chairs set up for those who did not purchase the meal to allow you to enjoy the speakers and entertainment. However, please do not sit at the tables that have been set for dinner or for lunch.

## Speaker Products

Some of our speakers/entertainers will bring supplies of their books or CDs to sell after their presentations.

## Hotel Shuttle

The Radisson Suites offers free transportation to the Disneyland Resort and Knott's Berry Farm. Make reservations at the hotel's front desk.

If you are going to John Wayne Airport or LAX, the hotel front desk will help you arrange shuttle transportation (around \$15-\$20/pp).

## Other Info You Need

**Smoking:** California law prohibits smoking in indoor public areas. This includes our Hospitality Suite, Games Room, and Speaker Rooms. Please do not smoke outside of any of these rooms, nor near the RG Registration area.

**Alcohol:** Beer and wine is available in our Hospitality Suite, while supplies last. California state law prohibits us from serving alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age. Safety Caution: If you are a day tripper and you find that you or your designated driver has imbibed too much, please consider taking a hotel room for the night.

**Noise and General Conduct:** In addition to our group, the hotel will also be occupied by families with small children who are visiting local theme parks. Please conduct yourselves in a way that will respect their needs, especially late in the evening when excessive noise complaints are likely to cause problems for our group with the hotel.

## Questions or Problems

Our RG Committee members can be identified by their gold badges. We will be happy to help you if we possibly can.

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**"Around the World in 80 Hours"**

**TREASURE CHEST PRIZE DRAWING**

We have a currency for the weekend -- a.k.a. MensaBucks. Your MensaBucks are your entries for the Treasure Chest Prize Drawing.

**How do you earn MensaBucks?**

- In your registration packet
  - For attending the RG
  - For each of the Meal Plan meals you purchased
- Volunteering (YELLOW bills)
  - Examples: help serve or clean up in Hospitality, help with Registration
  - Earn three yellow bills per hour of volunteer service
- Participation
  - Examples: win a contest, wear an ethnic costume, enter baked item(s) in the Bake-off, turn in a completed icebreaker sheet.

**Deposit your MensaBucks in the Bank**

(will be open periodically near Registration, in Hospitality and at the Prize Drawing).

- Sign your name on the back (must be legible).
- Yellow Volunteer bills - deposit in **1<sup>st</sup> Bank of Volunteerism**.
- All others - deposit in **2<sup>nd</sup> Bank of EverythingElse**.

**Monday Prize Drawing**

- Prizes include: Free 2014 GLAAM and San Diego RG Registrations, restaurant gift certificates, gift baskets, free tickets to local attractions, books.
- Drawing is Monday at 12:30 PM.
- Volunteers will have first chance at prizes.
- Banks will merge for subsequent drawings.
- If your name is called, you may select the prize of your choice.
- LIMIT: 1 prize per attendee.
- If you won't be there Monday at 12:30 PM for the drawing, give your name tag to a friend who is authorized to choose for you if your name is called. Pre-arrange with your friend how you will receive your prize. (Sorry, the RG can't mail or deliver to you.)



# Friday, August 30

**8:00 – 9:00 AM**      **Flora/Santa Fe Restaurant**  
**Breakfast with the Chair and Orientation to the RG**  
**-- Angie Mattson**

For those who are ready to get started, let's all get together over breakfast to socialize and get oriented to the highlights of this RG. After all, you don't want to miss anything this weekend! (*Note: 8:00 AM is the start of our 80-hour journey.*)

**2:00 PM**      **Outside LaPaz/Buena Park**  
**Registration Opens.**

**2:00 PM - Midnight**      **LaPaz/Buena Pk/Monterey**  
**Hospitality and the Games Room open.**

**3:30 PM**      **Games Room**  
**Wise and Otherwise -- Jim Lewis and Barbara Lytle**  
 Given a funny and unusual old saying from around the world, and with a little wit and imagination each player write your own ending to go with the beginning. The made-up sayings are read aloud along with the actual old sayings, and everyone tries to guess the real one. You'll get points when other players think your ending is the real one, and points for guessing the real old saying. Barbara and Jim are members of San Diego Mensa.

**5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**      **Hospitality**  
 Tapas-style appetizers ("small plates") will be available.

**5:00 PM**      **Barcelona**  
**World Trivia -- Art Mattson**  
 Test your knowledge of geography and other fun categories.

**6:00 PM**      **Barcelona**  
**Twenty-Five Minute Stories -- Terry Black**  
 You can write a short story in 25 minutes! OC Mensan Terry Black shows how to awaken the natural storyteller inside each and every one of us. Choose from a list of random words and themes to fashion a story no one else could have imagined – your own. Learn the power of dramatic focus, how conflict propels character, and how to wrap the darn thing up before the timer goes off. Terry is an award-winning author and screenwriter.



**6:00 PM**      **Puebla**  
**Mensalympics -- Dave & Margie Bowles**

Work in teams to build a tower out of the provided materials within the specified amount of time. The team with the tower closest to the required height wins. But, will yours still be standing when the time is called? (Plan to arrive early; the number of participants is limited.)



**7:00 PM**      **Hospitality**  
**Bake-off Judging**  
 MensaBucks will be paid for all entries. Who will be crowned Best Baker? Afterward, entries will be served in Hospitality. YUM!

**7:00 PM**      **Barcelona**  
**Spelling Challenge -- Art Mattson**



Pit your spelling expertise against that of your fellow Mensans. Everyone gets to spell every word, since you'll write the words on paper (unlike a Spelling Bee, when one person at a time spells each word out loud). *Sum off thees wurdz kan bee diabolicle!*

**7:00 PM**      **Puebla**  
**The Benevolent Dictatorship of Baja LasVegastan**  
**HMFIC Jim-Bob the Third, Benevolent Dictator**  
 HMFIC ("Head Man, First In Charge") Jim-Bob will discuss the history, geography, religion, economy, and political philosophy of the BLV. Singing! Dancing! Traditional costumes! (For those who need a translation, Baja Las Vegastan is surrounded by San Clemente, CA, and celebrates its Independence Day each year with one of OCM's most fun parties. HMFIC Jim-Bob looks remarkably like OC Mensan Tom Streeter, don't you think?)



## Friday, August 30

8:00 PM

Games Room

### Taboo

This fun team party game is an OCM Games Night favorite. You'll be given a word and five "forbidden" words or phrases. Your mission (if you choose to accept it)... come up with cleverly-worded clues without saying the "unmentionables" to get your teammates to guess the given word.

8:00 PM

Puebla

### Ask the Doctor -- PK Khemka, MD

This is your opportunity to ask questions and receive candid answers about symptoms, diseases, preventive measures, the latest medical advances, and how to help your doctor help you. PK has twice been President of OCM. He is Board-certified in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases. He offers medical services for patients with general medical conditions, persons with various infectious diseases, and those who are living with HIV and AIDS.



9:00 PM

Puebla

### Melnac the Magnificent

The great Melnac has traveled across state lines all the way from Arizona to impress us with his psychic abilities. What word or phrase will he predict will answer the question that is in the sealed envelope?



9:00 PM

Barcelona

### The Reform Club -- Hosted by Randy Bergum



Step into the world of the private upper class British club. Relax in an environment similar to that when the fictional Phileas Fogg made his infamous bet with the members of London's Reform Club, which resulted in his trip Around the World in 80 Days. This liquor tasting features drinks that were popular in the 1860s and 1870s. *Attendance is limited to 25. Sign up ahead of time with Randy or on the sign-up sheet for this event. (Adults only at this session. California state law prohibits us from serving alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age.)*

10:00 PM

Games Room

### Carnelli -- Doug Ecks

It's the Mensa-created game of quick thinking and associations. For those who are new to Carnelli ... it begins with a book, play, movie, or song title. The next person must name another work with the same word in the title, or the same creator, character name, actor. etc. Pun linkages are also allowed, as long as they draw sufficient groans from the other people present. (Example: Night of the Iguana – Iguana Hold Your Hand). Doug, a long standing OCM member, will be the leader and judge.



Midnight

Hospitality and Games Room close.

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# Saturday, August 31

**8:00 AM**

Registration Opens.

**8:00 AM – 6:30 PM**

Hospitality and the Games Room open.

**9:00 AM**

**Barcelona**

**Sudoku Tournament -- Art Mattson**

Sudoku ("single number") puzzles became popular around the world a few years ago. How fast can you solve these logic puzzles? You will be given several puzzles. They may be completed in any order, and players are permitted to go back and forth between them.

**10:15 AM**

**Puebla**

**Caution: Funny Signs Ahead Megan Edwards**

Have you ever been on the open road and seen a sign that made you laugh out loud? This presentation features photos of road signs, billboards, and truck stop advertisements from throughout Americana and around the world that are accidentally hysterically funny. Megan, a member of GLAAM, is the author of the book "Caution: Funny Signs



Ahead." Many of the signs featured in her book were originally published online at *RoadTripAmerica.com*, the web resource for touring in North America founded by Megan and her husband Mark. Megan is also the author of *Roads from the Ashes*, which chronicles their six-year adventure when she and Mark lived and traveled in a motor home.

**10:15 AM**

**Barcelona**

**Origami Class -- Marti Reis**

Learn the Japanese art of paper folding at this hands-on class led by origami expert and puzzle aficionado OC Mensan Marti Reis. All materials will be provided. Fun for beginners as well as for more experienced folders. All supplies will be provided. Attendance is limited, so plan to arrive early.



**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Hospitality**

Tapas-style appetizers ("small plates") will be available.

**11:30 AM**

**Puebla**

**It's not just Blood and Floods: Around the World with the Red Cross -- Kit Hope**

Mensan Kit Hope has literally been around the world in her thirty-year career with the American Red Cross. She has worked in management, Service to the Armed Forces and disaster response and is currently Senior Associate for International Humanitarian Law Dissemination at American Red Cross National Headquarters. Come and learn things you didn't know about an omnipresent organization many Americans take for granted. Kit is a former member of OCM who now lives in Washington, DC. She is also a former Peace Corps volunteer.



**11:30 AM**

**Barcelona**

**Google Earth™ - More than an online tool to check your roof! -- Gregg Lugutki**



Google Earth is an online tool with which you can create virtual tours, plan trips, follow the footsteps of ancestors, track where family groups live - and check the status of your roof! In this presentation, participants will see examples of projects created using the tools of Google Earth, including a bio-tour, road-trip planning, and Google Lit-Trip. Participants will also learn how to use some of the basic tools of Google Earth to create their own projects. Gregg will also explain limitations with some devices. Gregg is a former teacher who uses Google Earth for a variety of types of projects, including genealogy-related shows.



**Saturday, August 31**

**1:00 PM**

**Barcelona**

***The Forbidden City* -- Chuck Liebelt**

Take a peek behind the gate of this ancient home of Chinese emperors and their households. Hear about the history of this Imperial Palace, and view fascinating photos of artifacts and interiors. Chuck Liebelt is a volunteer with the Docent Guild of the Bowers Museum in Santa Ana, where he has served as a museum tour guide. He is also the Chairman of the Bowers Speakers Bureau. He is a long-time member of Toastmasters International.



**1:00 PM**

**Puebla**

***Lederer on Language* -- Richard Lederer, PhD**

Longtime Mensa Bulletin language columnist Richard



Lederer will celebrate with you a number of important anniversaries, including the 150th of the Gettysburg Address and the 100th of the crossword puzzle. Dr. Lederer will welcome your contributions and questions on all matters linguistic -- from puns to punctuation, from pronouns to pronunciation, from phrase origins to phraseology, and from palindromes to philological palaver. He will also reveal the answers to his

Puns that Babylon quiz in your registration packet. Richard Lederer is past president of San Diego Mensa. He is the author of more than 40 books about language, history, and humor, including his best-selling *Anguished English* series and his current books, *Lederer on Language*, and *The Big Book of Word Play Crosswords*. He has been named International Punster of the Year and Toastmasters International's Golden Gavel winner.

**2:15 PM**

**Puebla**

***Around the World in 80 Ways* -- Bob Tutelman**

A lifelong tourist shares tips and tricks for pleasurable travel. You will learn how to choose a destination, how to plan your itinerary, what to pack, ways to travel on a budget, and perhaps most important, how to take travel photos that your friends and relatives will actually look forward to seeing. Bob is a longtime member of San Diego Mensa. Among his many and varied accomplishments... he is a musician... a past Jeopardy winner... a former Club Med staffer.



**2:15 PM Barcelona**

***A New Space Architecture* -- Chet Richards**



Forty years after the Red Baron flew wooden contraptions over France, aviation had progressed to supersonic jets and Sputnik. Forty years after Apollo our progress in space has

been much less impressive. We are stuck in a rut -- a very expensive rut! Fellow Mensan Chet Richards will share with us his ideas for making space flights much less expensive which, if implemented, could result in the exponential growth of manned space travel. Before his retirement, Chet was an Engineering Fellow at Raytheon Company. He has half a century's experience in the Aerospace industry -- mostly working on space projects.

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## Saturday, August 31

3:30 PM

Suite 252

### RVC Rap Session -- Desiree Sagray

This is your opportunity to find out what's happening in Mensa on the national level and to voice your opinion. Desiree Sagray, a member of GLAAM, is our Regional Vice Chairman (RVC) representing Region 9 on the American Mensa Committee (AMC).



3:30 PM

Barcelona

### Treasure Hunt -- Nikki Frey

In a combination of puzzle solving and scavenger hunt, you and your team members solve puzzles of various sorts that identify objects wanted by the Hunt Master. You then must find the actual objects and deliver them to Hunt Central. Time is of the essence, since teams are racing against each other to be first to solve each puzzle. Points are awarded for each correctly presented object -- more if you are first, then fewer if your team comes in second, third, etc. Are you up to



the challenge?

3:30 PM

Puebla

### Mexican Celebrations and Customs -- Luis Cambustón

Learn all about the popular Mexican tradition of the piñata. This is also your opportunity to ask questions about how other holidays are celebrated in Mexico as well as by the Hispanic community in Southern California. Then, we'll all go out to the patio for a piñata party! Luis, a member of OCM, was born in Sonora and grew up in Veracruz. He, his wife, Celida, and their three daughters -- Alicia, Celida Maria, and Ana Luisa -- moved to the U.S. sixteen years ago.



4:30 PM

Games Room

### Scattergories -- Jay Friedlander

Scattergories is a creative-thinking category-based party word game. If you've never played it, Jay will teach you. Jay is a member of GLAAM and an avid game-player.

4:30 PM

Hospitality

### Celebrate the Tropics: Mai Tais -- The Goddess Kristine

No trip around the world would be complete without a stop in the tropics. The Goddess Kristine mixes her fabulous mai tais. She offers both leaded and unleaded varieties.



5:00 PM

Suite 252

### OCM Bylaws Discussion and Q & A -- Art Mattson, Greg De Hoogh, and Jack ReVelle

A discussion on OCM's proposed bylaws changes. Open to all interested Mensa members.

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## Evening Dinner, Speaker, and Entertainment

**6:30 PM** **Puebla/Barcelona**

*Around the World: Photos by Your Fellow Mensans*

Join us for a look at some fabulous travel photography as we gather for dinner. Cocktails (cash bar) will be available.

**7:00 PM** **Puebla/Barcelona**

***"Around the World" Buffet Dinner.***

*Pre-purchased meal ticket required.*

**8:15 PM** **Puebla/Barcelona**

***Saturday Dinner Speaker – The Honorable Gaddi H. Vasquez***

From 2002 to 2006, The Honorable Gaddi Vasquez served as Director of the United States Peace Corps where he led the international volunteer service organization with volunteers and staff serving in 78 countries. Under his leadership, the Peace Corps realized the highest enrollment of volunteers in the field in 30 years. He also led the opening of the first Peace Corps in Mexico and directed the entry or re-entry into 21 Peace Corps countries. From 2006 to 2009, he served as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Organizations for Food and Agriculture in Rome, Italy. He is currently Senior Vice President of Government Affairs for Edison International/Southern California Edison. In 2013, he was named Citizen of the Year by the City of Orange, and he also was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Orange County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.



**9:15 PM** **Puebla/Barcelona**  
***Entertainment -- Zhen Folk Chorus***

The Zhen Folk Chorus will transport you to the villages of Central and Eastern Europe and beyond. The women of Zhen ("woman" or "wife" in Slavic languages) are dedicated to preserving and presenting the folk songs of Bosnia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Georgia, Hungary, Macedonia, Romania, Russia, Turkey and Ukraine. A Zhen concert is a complete village experience with colorful authentic costumes, a lavish variety of music from early traditions to touch your heart, and an engaging story-like narrative. What makes this performance extra-special is the fact that two of our own OCM members sing with this chorus – Betty Turtledove and Cathy Boon.

**6:30 – 8:30 PM**

Hospitality and Games Room will close during dinner.

**8:30 PM**

Hospitality and the Games Room open.

**10:00 PM**

**Games Room**

***Carnelli -- Doug Ecks***

In case you didn't get your fill on Friday night, here is a second chance to shine. Come and enjoy this Mensa perennial favorite that challenges your ability to think laterally in a fun friendly competitive environment.

**Midnight**

Hospitality and the Games Room close.



# Sunday, September 1

**8:00 AM**

Registration Opens.

**8:00 AM – 6:00 PM**

Hospitality and the Games Room are open.

**9:00 AM**

**Puebla**

**ADHD – A Disorder of the Gifted Community?**

**Martha Burge, M.A.**

Have you noticed that you seem to know a disproportionate number of people with ADHD, whether diagnosed or not? If this disorder occurs in 4% to 9% of the general population, why does it seem to show up around every corner in your life? OCM member Martha Burge presents a compelling view of why ADHD, anxiety, intense emotions and creativity are often found in the gifted community. Martha provides educational and coaching support for self-defined intense people, adults with ADD/



ADHD, and parents of children with ADD/ADHD. She is the author of *The ADD Myth: How to Cultivate the Gifts of Intense Personalities*.

**10:15 AM**

**Puebla**

**The Juno Mission: Jupiter, Earth and the Quest for Origins -- Theo Clarke**

The Juno spacecraft was launched August 5, 2011. It has looped around the sun and is returning to Earth on October 9, just over 5 weeks from now, for a gravity assist that will slingshot it to Jupiter. Juno will arrive at Jupiter in July 2016 to begin a one year investigation of that giant planet. The objectives of the Juno mission at Jupiter are to determine the concentration of water in Jupiter's atmosphere, the existence and size of a solid core, and the nature of Jupiter's huge magnetic field. With this information we will gain insight into the origins and nature of our solar system. In a 27 year career at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory Theo Clarke worked as a scientist and engineer on the Mariner 10 mission to Venus and Mercury, the Voyager mission to the outer planets, and the Galileo mission to Jupiter. He is the recipient of NASA's prestigious Exceptional Service Medal for his service and dedication to Galileo's Earth encounters. He has lectured on the U.S. space program all over the world. Clarke is currently a consultant on the Juno mission.



**10:15 AM**

**Barcelona**

**Tarot - for Fun and Insight -- Lee MacMorris**

OCM member Lee MacMorris, a 30-year student of tarot, brings a lively viewpoint to this deck of mystery. While the cards have been around for a few centuries in one form or another, the most familiar Rider-Waite deck is a product of the late 19th century. Dozens of decks have been published since the Rider-Waite. You don't need to buy into the fortune telling aspect to use the decks to break out of stale thought patterns. They're a great way to have a conversation with yourself. Lee will demonstrate the very 21st century Voyager deck by James Wanless.



**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**Hospitality**

Tapas-style appetizers ("small plates") will be available.

**12:00 Noon**

**Puebla**

**Liar's Club -- Nikki Frey & Friends**

Our panel of "experts" will present objects and photos for the perusal of the audience. Each panel member gives a different description of the object or photo. "It's a shoemaker's tool!" "No, it's a motor part!" Is it a childhood photo of Elvis or of Charles Manson? The audience guesses who is telling the truth.



**12:00 Noon**

**Barcelona**

**Belly Dancing Workshop -- Thea Wills-Olsen**

Belly dancing is not only an exotic ethnic dance -- it's great exercise! You are invited to join us for an easy, low impact trek through the world of belly dance with OC Mensan Thea Wills-Olsen. Everyone is welcome. Emphasis will be on fun and feeling good... not performance. Wear loose, comfortable clothes or yoga-type wear. Some hip scarves will be available (or you may bring your own).



**12:00 Noon**

**Games Room**

**Catch Phrase -- Art Mattson**

A fast-moving team word guessing game that is a combination of Taboo and Hot Potato.



## Sunday, September 1

1:15 PM

Puebla

### **Poker Around the World! -- Lynn Bianco**



We'll start with the fundamentals of hand values (for beginners), and then proceed to the basics of Texas Hold'em as that's the main game played these days. We'll discuss the table, positions, strategies, table rakes, poker jargon, dealers and tips, bad beat jackpots, famous players, tournaments, on-line scandals,

the USA on-line poker ban snuck in by some holier-than-thou congressmen, touch on the WSOP (World Series of Poker), and poker in other countries. We will also dedicate some time to video poker and which poker games pay best. There'll be give away poker magazines available too!

1:15 PM

Barcelona

### **Travel Journal Workshop -- Kaye Gittleman**

Do you accumulate photos and souvenirs during a trip... then never get around to organizing them after you return home? This session is a hands-on workshop in which you will learn how to create a journal of your travels... as you travel... that also showcases mementos of your trip. Kaye is a mixed media artist and world traveler. *All materials will be provided. Artistic talent is not necessary. Attendance is limited, so plan to arrive early.*



1:15 PM

Games Room

### **David and Goliath -- Barbara Lytle and Jim Lewis**

It's the game where size doesn't matter! Who will win the battle of strength and wits? Goliath cards are stronger and can capture more cards. But, by cleverly playing the David card, you can take the highest card in the trick. It's the Large vs. the Small in this fun family card game, where a clever balance of the two will help you win the battle!

2:30 PM

Puebla

### **How to Work with Others on a Committee -- Desiree Sagray**

Have you volunteered or been assigned to lead or be a member of a committee? Learn how to get along with other personalities and leverage your own strengths as well as the strengths of your fellow committee members. You can use these skills to help work with others in Mensa, in the work environment, or in other organizations in which you volunteer.

2:30 PM

Barcelona

### **So you want to be a Mensa Millionaire -- Art & Angie Mattson**

Do you want to have fun and show off your smarts by competing in a contest of trivia and not-so-trivial



knowledge? Of course you do! (Is that your final answer?) Based on the popular TV game show *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?*, each contestant will answer multiple choice questions of increasing difficulty. Come and watch

even if you're too shy to compete on your own – you can participate when a contestant decides to "Ask the Audience" for help with an answer.

2:30 PM

Suite 252

### **"Random Hops" through the World of Beer -- Bryan Dietz**

Beer has been brewed since ancient times, but the kind of beer varies with the time and place. The World of Beer is much larger than the mega-breweries that pump out bland beer to be guzzled, not tasted. Let's get together to talk about and taste different beers from around the world. You may be surprised. OCM member Bryan Dietz is a home beer brewer and a 20-year-plus member of The Barley Bandits, "The oldest homebrew club in Orange County." During that time Bryan has met a lot of talented brewers and learned to understand and appreciate good beer. *Attendance is limited to 20. \$5 charge. (Adults only at this session. California State Law prohibits us from serving alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age.)*



Sunday, September 1

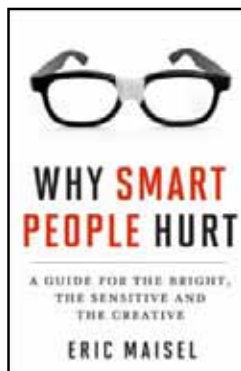
## Sunday's Keynote Speaker

4:00 PM

Puebla/Barcelona

***Why Smart People Hurt* -- Eric Maisel, PhD**

Smart people experience certain special challenges -- including challenges with society and the world, challenges at work, challenges with personality and a racing brain, and characteristic meaning challenges.



In this lively presentation, Dr. Eric Maisel, author of more than 40 books in the areas of creativity, mental health and meaning, and author of the just-released *Why Smart People Hurt*, describes these poignant special challenges and paints a picture of the pressures that cause smart people an extra measure of emotional pain.



You may have chalked up your emotional distress, existential problems, work troubles, insomnia, relationship issues, and other difficulties to a wide variety of common causes: to some "mental disorder," biological malfunction, feature of your childhood, or shadow in your personality. But the poignant truth may be that many of these difficulties flow directly from your natural endowment!

Join Dr. Maisel for a fascinating look at the challenges of smart. You may not look at life the same way again!

5:00 PM

Games Room

***Snacking Around the World* -- John Olsen**

John will have an array of foreign snack foods available for tasting. Do some of them seem a little "odd" or unusual compared to your American sense of snacking delights? The catch is... their names and countries are all hidden. Grab a quiz sheet and see how many you can identify.



5:15 PM

Barcelona

***Ask the Sexologist* -- Robert Berend**

This is an open forum question and answer session covering all aspects of human sexuality. YOU provide the questions either by raising your hand or in writing (if you wish to be anonymous). Sexuality, love, dating, alternative sexualities, STDs, sex and aging... just ask! Mensan Robert Berend has a PhD in human sexuality and has lectured at gatherings for over 25 years on a variety of topics. *Adults only.*



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## Sunday, September 1

### Sunday Evening

Wear an ethnic costume! Celebrate your ethnic heritage or dress to represent a country you've visited or would like to visit. MensaBucks will be awarded to the best-dressed among us.

### Sunday Evening Dinner and Entertainment

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Santa Fe (Ground floor)

#### Entertainment: *Francisco Leon Trio*

Enjoy the pleasing sounds of South American music as we gather for dinner and during dinner. Cocktails (cash bar) will be available.



6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Santa Fe (Ground floor)

#### "A Taste of Italy" Dinner Buffet.

Pre-purchased meal ticket required.

8:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Puebla/Barcelona

#### Greek Dancing -- John Basdakos, Instructor

No experience necessary! We'll learn the steps as we dance. Greek dancing is always loads of fun, whether you participate or observe. We'll learn several dances, so if you arrive late and the rest of us seem to know what we are doing, that will change as soon as a new dance is introduced, and we'll all be newbies again. In other words... don't be afraid to join in whenever you arrive.

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Hospitality and Games Room will close during dinner.

8:00 PM

Hospitality and the Games room are open.

Midnight

Hospitality and the Games Room close.

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# Monday, September 2

**8:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

Hospitality and the Games Room open.

## Monday Luncheon, Entertainment, Prize Drawing, and Speaker

**11:00 AM**

**Puebla/Barcelona**

Begin gathering for the luncheon.

**Treasure Chest Prizes** will be on display. If you haven't yet deposited your MensaBucks in one of the Banks, now is the time.

**11:30 AM**

**Puebla/Barcelona**

**"Getting Away" Luncheon.**

*Pre-purchased meal ticket required.*

Luncheon Entertainment: Musician Linda Herman. Oktoberfest... in September. Lively German polkas and popular American favorites.

**12:30 PM**

**Puebla/Barcelona**

**Treasure Chest Prize Drawing -- John Olsen**

If you've collected MensaBucks all weekend, now's your chance to use them as entries into our Treasure Chest Raffle. Volunteers get first pick.

**1:00 PM**

**Puebla/Barcelona**

**Luncheon Speaker: Gary Warner**

Gary Warner has been the Travel Editor of The Orange County Register since 1994. During that period, the newspaper has won more Lowell Thomas Travel journalism awards for general excellence than any other newspaper in North America. He describes himself as "just a guy who gets to travel a lot, make some wonderful discoveries and awful mistakes, then come home and write about it." He has visited 40 countries and all 50 states. He will share some of his travel experiences, give travel tips, and answer your questions about writing travel articles and how to get published.



*Gary Warner in Scotland. Photo by Jebb Harris. Copyright The Orange County Register.*

**2:00 PM – LaPaz/Buena Park/Monterey**

***The Penultimate Ending of the RG.***

Hospitality and the Games Room close. Please take a few moments to help clean up.

**3:00 PM Flora/Santa Fe Restaurant**

***Journey's End Party***

It's now been 79 hours since we first met for breakfast on Friday. Let's meet in the hotel restaurant and talk about our adventures on our journey this weekend.

**4:00 PM Flora/Santa Fe Restaurant**

***Ultimate Ending of the RG.***

Raise a glass to a fun and successful RG! Our 80-hour tour is now a memory!

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### **NOTES**

# REGIONAL & ANNUAL GATHERINGS

## of Orange County Mensa

Year	Dates	Chair(s)	Theme	Location
1981	July 24-26	Franci Taylor	It's a Small World	Inn at the Park, Anaheim
1982	July 2-5	Art Mattson	Riviera of the West	Registry Hotel, Irvine
1983	July 1-4	Barry Stone	Orange Rush: The Best Little RG in the West	Registry Hotel, Irvine
1984	July 6-8	Ken Burke and David Sabet	Orange Rush: The Best Little Olympic Ripoff in the West	Registry Hotel, Irvine
1984	Nov 9-11	Art Mattson	AMC Meeting: A Cultural Experience	Registry Hotel, Irvine
1985	July 4-7	Marie LaBonte; Karol Hawn	Orange Rush: The Best Little Wonderland in the West	Grand Hotel, Anaheim
1986	July 4-6	Andy Abeles	Orange Rush: RG At the End of the Universe	Registry Hotel, Irvine
1987	July 3-5	Teri Lacher	Orange Rush: Prime Time	Westin South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa
1988	July 1-4	Eric Halasz	Orange Rush: The Owl Whooo Came in from the Cold	Westin South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa
1989	Aug 4-6	Helen Geerlings and John Olsen	Party At Ground Zero	Buena Park Hotel, Buena Park
<b>1990</b>	<b>June 28-July 1</b>	<b>Art Mattson</b>	<b>AG: California Dreaming</b>	<b>Anaheim Marriott</b>
1991	July 4-7	Tom Herbertson	Feel Free	Radisson Plaza Hotel (was Registry), Irvine
1992	July 31-Aug 2	Teri Lacher	The RG of Aquarius	Days Inn, Fullerton
1993	July 30-Aug 1	Carrie Martin	The Muse Strikes Again	Days Inn, Fullerton
1994	July 29-31	Barbara Podell	Owlizabethan Tymes	Days Inn, Fullerton
1995	July 28-30	Susan Doggett	The M Files	Days Inn, Fullerton
1996	July 26-28	John Olsen	Go For Broke: the Bankrupt RG	Quality Hotel, Anaheim
1997	July 3-6	Stephanie Smith	The Owl of the Baskervilles	Holiday Inn, Fullerton
1998	July 24-26	Lynne Bianco	FlaMingo Fling	Holiday Inn, Costa Mesa
<b>1999</b>	<b>July 1-5</b>	<b>Tom Herbertson</b>	<b>AG: The Big One</b>	<b>The Hyatt Regency, Long Beach</b>
2000	Aug 4-6	Bill Jordan	7 Deadly Mensans	Country Inn & Suites, San Clemente
2001	July 27-29	Deb Stone	The Roaring 20(00)s	Chase Suites Hotel, Fullerton
2002	Aug 9-11	Cookie & Russ Bakke	Mensa General Hospital	Holiday Inn, Costa Mesa
2003			No RG	
2004			No RG	
2005	Sept 2-5	John Olsen	Mpacted Wisdom: The Dental Hygiene RG	Holiday Inn, Costa Mesa
2006	Sept 1-4	Bill Bandaruk	Magi of Mensania	Holiday Inn, Costa Mesa
2007			No RG	
2008	Aug 29-Sept 1	Bill Shaddle	Election Daze	Holiday Inn, Costa Mesa
2009	Sept 4-7	Greg Wilson	Endless Summer	Holiday Inn, Costa Mesa
2010	Sept 3-6	Greg Wilson	The Time Warp RG	Atrium Hotel, Irvine
2011			No RG	
2012	Aug 31-Sept 3	Nancy Alvarado	Occupy Orange County Mensa	Radisson Suites Hotel, Buena Park
2013	Aug 30-Sept 2	Angie Mattson	Around the World in 80 Hours	Radisson Suites Hotel, Buena Park