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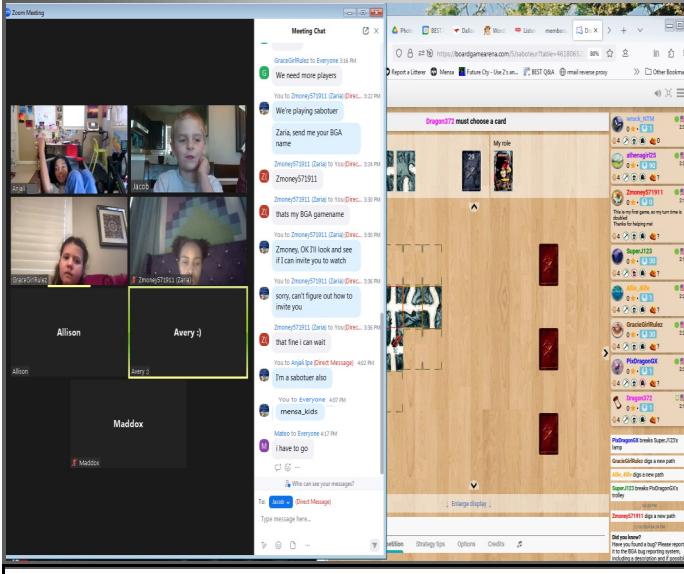

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ON THE COVERS:

Front *Top:* Scholarship judging in full swing *(l-r)* Jane, Mitch, Lauren, and Bob. *Bottom:* Gifted Youth playing on -line board games, NTM'ers and others from Georgia and Illinois.

Back *top:* January poker winners *(l-r)* 2nd Doug Fix, 1st Ignatz, 3rd Chuck Briggs. *Bottom:* Gifted Youth travel out 12 light years to enjoy discussing "Project Hail Mary"

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FROM THE NTM PRESIDENT

GUNNY HARTMAN

"I'm not about love; I'm about showing you the money." ~Jerry Maguire

You don't have to be in Mensa to know the cost of living is going up. Like many chapters, we have been looking for ways to ensure we are fiscally responsible. Our greatest cost is our monthly newsletter. Although we have a great team of editor Bill Rock and circulation manager Val Beasley, who have freely given up countless hours over the years to get the M-Aura to our membership, increasing costs, including postage, have us ***needing your help.***

NTM receives a rather small amount of your annual dues. American Mensa sends us about $1 per month per member, which comes out to about $12 per year from your dues. In contrast, each M-Aura has cost approximately $2 to get it delivered to a member who prefers a paper copy. You can probably see the issue. While we have made some changes to our printing & postage provider, **you would be doing your chapter a great service if you would change your delivery preference to electronic.** That would free up funds for other activities and you would still get the same content, although you would get it sooner, via an email link.

To make the change, login in to the national website: www.us.mensa.org. Click on "My Profile" and then "Communication Preferences." There you can edit your local group newsletter delivery method. ***Thanks for considering helping your chapter in this way.***

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! The following NTMers add another candle to the cake in March:

William Cravens, Kyle Johnson, Kenneth Findley, Tom Chow, Christopher Newland, Sharon Cowin, Allen Garner, James Schlebus, Dominic Granello, Dwane Crain, Roger Kennedy, Lee Harriss, Michael Conroy, Dirk Bell, Christopher Pelto, Marion Moore, Terry Rodgers, James Allen, Sara Weiss, Wenxiaoshan Sui, Jeanette Seigler, Roy Pierce, Blake Burleson, Jeremy Neilson, Williams Arnold, Bill "all in" St John, Robert Hood, Duane Meyers, Patrick Wegner, Kevin Gill, Mark Forcier, Larry "whatcha reading?" Strickler, Garrett Graves, Dustin Koellhoffer

Sixth Sense — John Neemidge, Region 6 Vice Chair

Hello again! It's almost springtime, and I hope it's warming up where you live. I hope you're able to enjoy the better weather in the company of your fellow Mensans, too!

One thing that's coming up which will affect many people in Region 6 is the solar eclipse in April. It'll pass through several of the region's larger cities, and several chapters are working on plans to get together and see the eclipse. If you can join them, I encourage you to do so.

Candidates are set for the AMC election. You can find out more at the American Mensa elections website (https://www.us.mensa.org/lead/amc/elections/2024-election-portal/). There are two candidates for Region 6's Regional Vice Chair (I am not one of them; I'm running for Secretary) and two candidates for a couple of the national offices. Please take the time to learn about the candidates and ballot measures and be ready to make an informed decision. Voting will be coming in April, and you'll need to renew by March 31st in order to vote.

Our previous AMC meeting was held in late January. Mini-minutes for that meeting are available at https://www.us.mensa.org/lead/amc/meeting-reports. It was almost entirely held in executive session, though, so there's not much we can share.

Our next meeting (and the last of my RVC term, unless we have a special meeting – none are currently expected) will be in early March in Dallas, TX (not Hurst, as I incorrectly wrote last month). I still expect a second (and final) vote on the proposed dues increase at that meeting.

As of this writing, I continue to be skeptical of the dues increase, and that's what I'm hearing from everyone who's contacted me from within the region. If you have opinions either way, I would love to hear your thoughts on the dues increase as well as on any other American Mensa business.

Region 6 will be looking for regional scholarship judges this spring. We need your help! Please consider volunteering.

Please send me any thoughts, ideas, questions, concerns, general comments, whatever. I've got a contact form for feedback at https://tinyurl.com/RVC6-JLN. Of course, if you prefer, you can always contact me via email at rvc6@us.mensa.org or by phone at 512-695-9876.

GIFTED YOUTH CORNER

by Bill Rock

Virtual events have been on our calendar for the last month or so. The on-line event at Board Game Arena was fun. We did have one person from Georgia who did not realize there was a time zone difference, but she waited politely for us to eventually show up late (or early, depending on your point of view). Our book club discussion was also very interesting. Everyone enjoyed *Project Hail Mary*. This month's book, *Threads That Bind* also looks interesting. It was chosen by our new Minnesota "book club regular".

I'm very happy to mention that our in-person event for this month is something new. One of our GY parents thought that pickleball would be fun to try, so they arranged the whole thing. Be sure to thank Pranjali if you attend the event. I'm looking forward to giving it a try. Afterwards, those that want to can grab a bite at a local restaurant and discuss the triumphs and tribulations of the afternoon.

Thinking ahead to the summer, I'm planning on holding another electronics lab in July or August. We did one several years ago, where we made synthesizers, and it seemed everyone had a good time. For those that missed the last one, the synthesizer kit are still available. For those that want to try something different, there are several other kits to try out there, including a nice clock that you can make, an LED matrix cube, a radio or Bluetooth speakers, among others. Everyone will learn how to solder (or get more practice), and end up with an assembled device to use.

In between now and then, we're still looking for other ideas for fun events. If you have an idea, please feel free to pass it along and I'll see if we can make it happen. Contact me, as always, at william.m.rock@gmail.com or 972.396.8160 (landline)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !

The following are new or rejoining members of North Texas Mensa. Please join us in welcoming them to our group.

New Mensans: Krista Epley, Robert Holland, Jay Juster, Madison Kuhlmeier, Nivaan Nathani, Paxton Rose, Jameson Rush, Kyle Seifer, Milena Tunget

Moving to NTM: Paul Birinyi, Greg Greenwood, Philip Lewis, Jace Lewis

Rejoining Mensa and NTM: Jack Chrismon

We welcome you <u>all</u>, and look forward to seeing you at future functions!

HOWDY!

MARCH 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 1 pm East Dallas Lunch Bunch	**2** 1 pm Virtual Discussion Group
3 12:30 pm Gifted Youth Book Club 	**4** 7 pm Munch Bunch	**5** 7 pm Beer Garden	**6**	**7** 1 pm Lunch Group 7 pm HOTDAM	**8** 1 pm East Dallas Lunch Bunch	**9** 1 pm Virtual Discussion Group 7 pm Singles Chat 'n Chew 9 pm *M-Aura* Calendar Deadline
10 2 pm Bright Ladies SIG 9 pm *M-Aura* All-Copy Deadline	**11** 7 pm Munch Bunch	**12** 7 pm Beer Garden	**13**	**14** 1 pm Lunch Group 7 pm HOTDAM	**15** 1 pm East Dallas Lunch Bunch 7 pm Texas Hold 'Em 	**16** 12:15 pm Mensa Testing 1 pm V Discussion Group 4 pm Small Group Meeting 6:30 pm Games SIG
17 6 pm NTM Board Meeting 7:30 pm NTM General Meeting	**18** 7 pm Munch Bunch	**19** 7 pm Beer Garden	**20** 7 pm MADEATS	**21** 1 pm Lunch Group 7 pm HOTDAM	**22** 1 pm East Dallas Lunch Bunch	**23** 10 am Dallas BLOOMS! 1 pm Virtual Discussion Group 3 pm GY Pickleball
24 1:30 pm Eclectic Book Club 2:30 pm Theodore Talk	**25** 7 pm Munch Bunch	**26** 7 pm Beer Garden	**27**	**28** 1 pm Lunch Group 7 pm HOTDAM	**29** 1 pm East Dallas Lunch Bunch	**30** 1 pm Virtual Discussion
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FOR CALENDAR UPDATES, PLEASE VISIT
HTTP://WWW.NORTHTEXASMENSA.ORG

~WEEKLY EVENTS~

MONDAYS

7:00 PM - 8:15 PM Munch Bunch - Addison
Location: **BJ's Restaurant,** 4901 Belt Line Rd., Addison 75254
BJ's is an upscale brewpub with an extensive menu. On the north side of Belt Line just a couple of blocks west of the Tollway. Ask at the desk for the Mensa table.
Contact: **Roger Durham** (214.349.4521)

TUESDAYS

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beer Garden – Dallas
Location: **District 9 Draught Haus**, 718 N. Buckner Blvd., Dallas
This is a neighborhood pub in the shopping center, corner of Buckner & Northcliff, which is the first stoplight south of NW Hwy. on Buckner. They have a good beer selection, wines and ciders on tap, and a tasty, but somewhat limited, menu. Ask for the Mensa table.
Contact: **Roger Durham** (214.349.4521)

THURSDAYS

1:00 PM - Plano Lunch Group
Location: **King Buffet**: 521 Central Parkway, Plano, TX 75074
Yelp loves King Buffet Plano's wide selection which ranges from pizza to made-to-order hibachi favorites. Look for Ty. https://www.yelp.com/biz/king-buffet-plano-3
Contact: **Ty O'Neil**: (214.394.7364 cell)

7:00 - 9:00 PM HOTDAM
Hang out Together with Denton Area Mensans
Location: **Cafe Brazil**, 501 W University Dr, Denton, TX 76201 Meet us for games, revelry, and more. Look for the owl statuette on the table. See YOU 'round!
PLEASE CALL OR TEXT CONTACTS FOR MORE INFO
Contact: **Deb Ramsey** (940.391.9657) or **Christie Miller**, (940.765.0429)

FRIDAYS

1:00 - 2:30 PM East Dallas Lunch Bunch
Location: **Fish City Grill**: 7170 Skillman Street,
Dallas 75231 Fish City Grill is a neighborhood seafood restaurant that delivers the best quality and fresh ingredients.
Contact: **Roger Durham** (214.349.4521)

SATURDAYS

1:00 PM National Virtual Discussion Group
Location: **Zoom Meeting**: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86726108623?pwd=cUgyelF2K0ZLQzNWbVByZE9UMXpxdz09
Meeting ID: 867 2610 8623 Passcode: 1234
We talk about whatever anybody wants to talk about.
Contact: **Ken Lawrence** (Mid MI Mensa) MensaProctor670@gmail.com

March Events

03 SUNDAY

12:30 PM - NTM Gifted Youth Book Club
(First Sunday of each month)
Location: **Zoom Meeting**
At this meeting, we will be discussing ***Threads That Bind*** by Kika Hatzopoulou.
Meeting Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87284610508?pwd=WnZWQ2JhbmlEamJzcmc1TkRBcFZjZz09
Contact: **Bill Rock**: (972.396.8160, william.m.rock@gmail.com)

09 SATURDAY

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Singles Chat and Chew
(Second Saturday of each month)
Location: **Jason's Deli**: 9100 N. Central Expressway, Suite 139, Dallas, TX 75231.
This at the NE corner of Central Expressway and Park Lane. Come join other singles for dinner and have great conversations.
Contact: **Laura Stuart**: (214.641.2520)

9:00 PM M-Aura Calendar Deadline (The 9th of each month)
Contact: **Calendar Chair, Sara Hawkins**: (calendarchair@northtexasmensa.org, or 214.801.4704)

10 SUNDAY

2:00-4:00 - Bright Ladies SIG
Location: **la Madeleine French Bakery & Cafe**
15125 Montfort Dr., Dallas
(one block east of the Tollway, on Montfort, north of Beltline. Behind Walgreens). Look for us (and the logo above) as you come in. Call Kathy McWhorter for directions or more details. We will be meeting there the Second Sunday of each month at 2:00-4:00.
Contact: **Kathy McWhorter** 214.215.5809

9:00 PM M-Aura All Copy Deadline (The 10th of each month)
Contact: **Editor, Bill Rock**: (william.m.rock@gmail.com or 972.396.8160)

15 FRIDAY

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM - NTM Scholarship Foundation Friday Texas Hold 'Em
Location: **The Home of Storm Ricamore**: 1426 Dumont Drive, Richardson, TX 75080
Join us for a pleasant evening of cards, bluffing and fun. No big winners or losers, just bragging rights for your $10 contribution to the kitty, and a $5 re-buy if you wish – all of which goes to the Scholarship Foundation. Plenty of snacks and drinks, and those new to the game are welcome to join in. As always, the party starts at 7 PM, and the game commences at 7:30 PM. And as always, if you feel sick or if you have Covid, please stay home!
RSVP: **Please RSVP via text or e-mail to Storm if you plan to attend, since we may have to limit the number of people to "social distance":** (972.235.5837, or storm@stormsmall.com)

16 SATURDAY

12:15PM – 2:45 MENSA Admissions Testing
Location: **Dallas Public Library** (Timberglen Branch), 18505 Midway Road, Dallas, TX 75287
Know someone who may qualify for Mensa? Please refer all interested testers (or anyone with questions!) to Rebecca Raymond at NTMTesting@northtexasmensa.org to obtain the pre-registration link and all other required details for this session.
Contact: **Rebecca Raymond**: (ntmtesting@northtexasmensa.org)

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM - Small MENSA Meeting Canton / Wills Point (Third Saturday of each month)
Location: **We meet in each other's homes on a rotating basis**
We will send out a reminder about a week before each meeting giving this month's location and subject matter to be discussed. Purely a discussion group; no games, no food fests, no partying. Enjoy the exchange of thoughts and ideas without contention!
Contact: **Gerard Brohman**: (gbrohman@live.com)

6:30 PM – Games SIG
Location: **Bill & Ellen Rock's Home "The Rock Pile"**: 701 Victorian Drive, Allen, TX 75002

We have some classic board games and some new ones, and we're happy to try anything you care to bring over. Snacks and soft drinks will be available.
Contacts: **Bill and/or Ellen Rock**: (972.396.8160 •/+ 214.356.5819, w-rock1@raytheon.com)

17 SUNDAY

6:00 PM- 7:00 PM - Board Meeting (Third Sunday of the Month)

Location: **Five Star Premier Residences of Dallas**, 5455 La Sierra Drive, Dallas, or
Zoom Video: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81692083286?pwd=UWFmMlVvRUpiazBZNldHcmxwSGpvZz09, or **Zoom Phone**: +1 346 248 7799 (in lieu of video call), Meeting ID: 816 9208 3286, Passcode: 448903
All members of NTM are welcome to attend and to address the board. The board conducts the organization business decisions. Members are welcome to bring items to the board's attention if they wish. Following the Board Meeting there is usually time for socializing before the program. If you prefer, you may also attend via Zoom – links above.
Contact: **Gunny Hartman, President**: (president@northtexasmensa.org)

7:30 PM – Program Following the Board Meeting

Location: **Five Star Premier Residences of Dallas**, 5455 La Sierra Drive, Dallas, or **Zoom Video/phone** (same as board meeting above)
This month's speaker is: **John C. White**, Radiation Safety Officer for the VA North Texas Healthcare System. He will address radiation based on science, not fear, including the uses of ionizing radiation in medicine and industry.

20 WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM – MADEATS

Location: **Cris and John** 5555 Preston Oaks Rd UNIT 5, Dallas, TX 75254
Cris and John fuses Vietnamese flavors and street foods with Mexican street foods. Think Phoirttos, and Phodillas along side birria bao buns, dumplings, elotes, rice and noodle dishes, etc. As always, RSVPs are appropriately requested, by not demanded. The restaurant is BYOB. https://www.crisandjohn.com/
Contact: **Karen Brack**, Kwbrack18@gmail.com, 214.477.1151

23 SATURDAY

10 AM—NTM At Dallas Blooms

Location: **Dallas Arboretum,** 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas 75218
Come join fellow NTM'ers for a wonderful day at this Dallas gem. See a bountiful display of nature at its finest. (more details on pg 12)
Group discounted tickets are: $18 adult, $14 65+YO and $10 ages 2-12. Parking is $11 if purchased online and $15 at the gate.
Contact: **Cathy Allshouse** (callshouse1@aol.com, 713-398-7963) to reserve your space.

3:00 PM – Gifted Youth Take a Whack at Pickelball!

Location: **Chicken N Pickle**, 4600 Merlot Ave, Grapevine, 76051
One of our families has arranged for several indoor courts so we can have some fun trying pickleball. Cost is $11 per person.
RSVP: I need RSVPs of those who are interested, as we will be making reservations on the 8th, and I want to ensure we have enough courts reserved so everyone has a chance to play.
Contact: **Bill Rock**: (972.396.8160, william.m.rock@gmail.com)

24 SUNDAY

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM - Eclectic Book Club

(4th Sunday of each month)
Location: **Half Price Books Mothership**:
5803 E NW Hwy, Dallas, TX 75231
The book selection for this month is ***Underground Airlines*** by Ben H. Winters. Eclectic Book Club picks are generally available in hardback, paperback or for e-readers. They should also be available at your local library.
Contacts: **Larry Strickler**: (lstrickler1@verizon.net or 972.495.8076) or **Bill Rock**: (972.396.8160 or william.m.rock@gmail.com)

2:30 PM – MENSA Theodore Talks (4th Sun. of each month)

Location: **Zoom**
The title of the March Theodore Talk is, "Give 'em Hell — The Harry S Truman Presidential Library & Museum." This virtual event will take place on Zoom January 28 at 2:30 p.m. Central Time (3:30 Eastern, 12:30 Pacific, 8:30 GMT). Register for this presentation at https://tinyurl.com/5t4mk2mt. Conducted by American Mensa.
A list of future Theodore Talks can be found on the Mensa National Events Calendar at https://www.us.mensa.org/attend/calendar/, or by viewing the January issue of the Mensa Bulletin.

SAVE THE DATE! NTM OUTING TO DALLAS BLOOMS AT THE DALLAS ARBORETUM

by Cathy Allshouse

Saturday, March 23 at 10am

Arboretum is at 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas 75218, 214.515.6615

Named by Southern Living as one of 'The Best Places to See Stunning Spring Blooms Across the South,' the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden proudly presents Dallas Blooms, the largest annual floral festival in the Southwest presented by Amegy Bank. This spectacular event showcases 500,000 spring blooming bulbs, representing 120 varieties, with a breathtaking display of 350,000 tulips and a mix of hyacinths and daffodils. As the festival unfolds, the garden transforms with vibrant azaleas and cherry trees, creating a stunning burst of color. This year's theme, 'A Picture's Worth a Thousand Words,' brings larger-than-life living selfie walls, adding a fun photo opportunity to the Dallas Blooms experience. Plus, the views of the lake are wonderful!

Group discounted tickets are: $18 adult, $14 65+YO and $10 ages 2-12. Parking is $11 if purchased online and $15 at the gate. Carpooling would be great! If you are an Arboretum member, just show up on that day at 10 am and come in with the group. But please let me know to expect you. For this price, we can stay as long as we like. There are places to lunch on the grounds or you could bring a picnic--plus there are fun places to eat nearby on Garland Rd. Please contact Cathy Allshouse to reserve your spaces: callshouse1@aol.com, 713-398-7963. Don't forget your camera & allergy medications. This is a rain or shine event.

NTM Standing Policies (as amended 5/20/2018)

07-01 All Board meetings are open to all members and all members have a right to address the Board.

07-02 The monthly General Meeting is open to M's, their guests, and the general public.

07-03 No event should be scheduled opposite official NTM functions, which are scheduled by the Board of Directors. These functions include General Meetings and New Members Parties.

07-04 [Rescinded 01/15/2012]

07-05 As the hosting of a party requires a considerable outlay of time and money, the amount listed in the M-Aura should be considered a cover charge and is mandatory.

Exceptions should be considered extraordinary and must be cleared in advance with the host or hostess.

07-06 BYOB indicates that one may furnish alcohol for private consumption in moderation.

07-07 Hosts'/hostesses' special requirements are listed as "house rules" and are to be honored. No host or hostess waives rights by opening his/her home for Mensa functions. M's who bring more than one non-M to any such function must have the advance express consent of the host/hostess. [Amended 01/15/2012]
07-08 Smoking is restricted at events unless otherwise specified.
07-09 All events must have a contact phone number and/or email address to be listed in the M-Aura calendar. [Amended 01/18/2009]
07-10 [Rescinded 05/20/2018]
07-11 NTM Standing Policies will be published annually in the March issue of the M-Aura. [Amended 01/18/2009]
07-12 For an article, letter, or other submission to be published in the M-Aura anonymously or under a pseudonym, the editor must know the identity of the author and share that identity with at least one member of the Board of Directors who is not the editor. The editor will notify the author of that fact.
07-13 Any member giving information to editor or calendar chair for publication, including phone number, address, and email, thereby authorizes publication of that information in the printed or electronic North Texas M-Aura and in the members-only portion of the web site.
07-14 [Rescinded 11/18/2012]

NTM Board Proceedings- Sunday Jan 21st, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by President Eric "Gunny" Hartman. Attendees: Vice-President Ken Roberts, Treasurer Cathy Allshouse, Secretary Paul Whiteman, and Board Member at Large Chris Cree. Absent: Board Members at Large Jonathan Bethune and Juan Faura.

1. Reports

President – Eric "Gunny" Hartman ... The next Board Meeting will be 6PM February 18, 2024 at Five Star Premier Residences of Dallas (5455 La Sierra Drive, Dallas). Subsequent board meetings will be the 3rd Sunday of each month at the same time and location. Anne Whiteman secured new nametags for the 2024 board members as needed and sent them along to the meeting.
VP – Ken Roberts ... Nothing to report
Secretary – The minutes of the December 2023 board meeting were distributed via email.
Treasurer –Cathy Allshouse ... Financial statements for 2023 end of year were istributed. Cathy presented a proposed 2024 budget. A surplus of over $1200 from the RG will be transferred to the NTM accounts leaving $1500 in the RG account. It was suggested that this surplus be donated to the NTM Scholarship Fund.
Ombudsman – Roger Durham ... Nothing to report
Membership – Ken Roberts ... As of 12/31/2023, we had 1168 members, with 41 leaving, 178 new members, 158 lapsed members, 548 renewing, and 140 prospective members. NTM is the 6th largest chapter. The 5th largest has 1522 members.
S.I.G.H.T. – Gunny Hartman ... No requests for services this month
Editor – Bill Rock ... "February M-Aura was sent to the printer on Thursday night. Val can confirm if members are likely to see the M-Aura before the end of the month. Question on the possibly confusingly* worded minutes: do we lose money in that total cost of printing and mailing M-Auras exceeds our

entire revenue from National, or is it that each M-Aura costs more than the pro rata reimbursement for each member? Given that we have not printed an M-Aura for each and every member for decades, this might make for a slightly different take on the matter. I assume that researching how other LG are approaching this is part of the analysis."

Gifted Youth – Bill Rock … "We had seven attendees at Virtual Games in January, including two from other local groups (one of whom waited patiently as she thought it was scheduled for EST). Event for February is White Rock Lake cleanup."

Circulation Manager – Val Beasley … Val sent along information comparing our current process and another method of getting our M-Aura printed and mailed, going through a company in Florida that services 25 other chapters. This seems to be an appealing option which Chris Cree in particular will pursue.

Scholarship – Lauren Ogden … After judging together: "A very successful Kickoff Party! We ended at 76% completed for Round 1. All the panels have been assigned. Please finish your panels at your own pace. We are in really good shape. Then, we will assign panels for Round 2. I am so grateful for all your help and for meeting you in person! Thank you to Paul and Anne for hosting!!!"

Web Contact – Andy McKellar … "Nothing significant to report. All is well (and current), so far as I know."

Testing – Rebecca Raymond … "We had two testers at our session yesterday (January 20) in Carrollton. There are two tests scheduled for February (February 3 and 24) to align with the National 50% off promotion!"

Calendar – Sara Hawkins … "I still can't edit the online calendar. I had sent an email to Kishore but haven't heard back yet. All else is going great."

2. Actions

* Paul Whiteman was appointed to fill the role of secretary on the board.
* Ken Roberts made a motion, which was seconded by Chris Cree and passed unanimously, to add to the 2024 NTM Officer's handbook the following congratulatory note of Recognition (to be added to page 1). "To do anything well and with longevity is impressive. For 30 years now, Randy Brack has been compiling and keeping up to date this useful handbook, which has been a great asset to the chapter. A past recipient of NTM's Server Servitium Award, Randy's dedication to the chapter is emblematic in this handbook. The 2024 NTM Board of Directors would like to congratulate and thank Randy Brack in this 30th anniversary issue. We hope that his service will be contagious, as it serves as an example for others to emulate."
* Roger Durham accepted the task of giving a financial review of the 2023 financial statements.
* A motion was made by Ken Robets (sic), seconded by Chris Cree, and passed unanimously to reappoint the following officers: Membership, Ken Roberts; S.I.G.H.T., Gunny Hartman; Editor, Bill Rock; Gifted Children, Bill Rock; Circulation Manager, Val Beasley; Scholarship, Lauren Ogden; Web contact, Andy McKellar; Testing Coordinator, Rebecca Raymond; Calendar, Sara Hawkins; Social Media/Facebook, Collene Goldman.
* The proposed 2024 budget passed after a motion to accept it was made by Roberts and seconded by Allshouse.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM after a motion was made by Roberts and seconded by Cree, which passed unanimously.

NTM Board Members for 2024:

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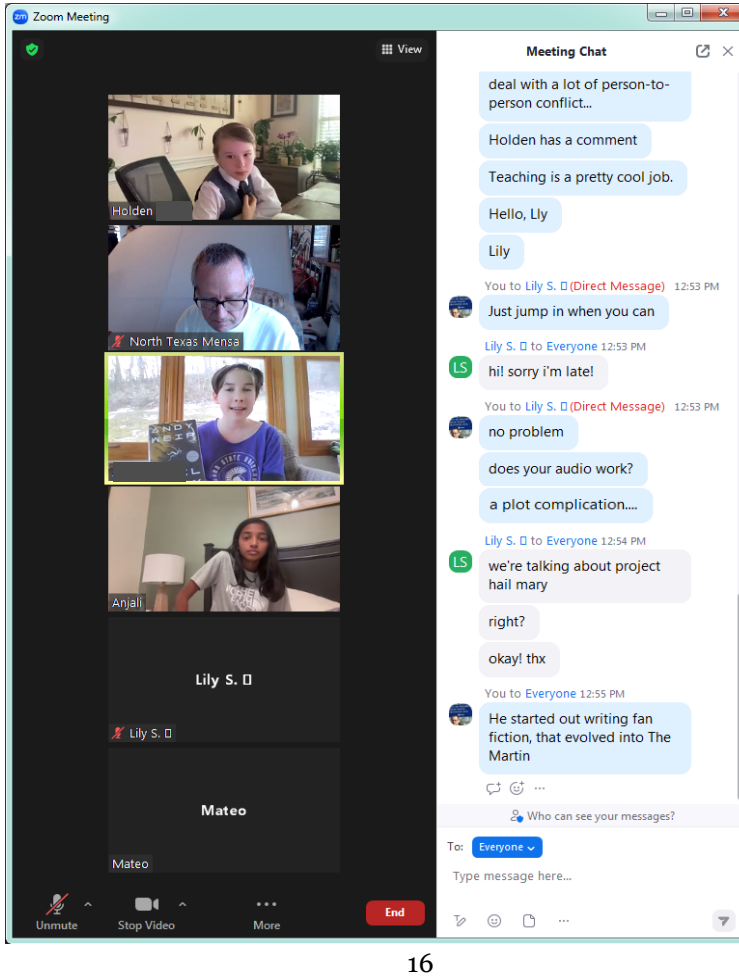
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