HalloweeM XI
The World's Longest Halloween Party
October 31 through November 2, 1986

The Holiday Inn-O'Hare/Kennedy
5440 North River Road
Rosemont, IL 60018



WELCOME TO HALLOWEEM XI !!!

We are delighted you have decided to help kick off Chicago's second decade of Regional Gatherings with us. The HalloweeM XI Committee of 1986 offers these reminders to maximize your pleasure this weekend:

Don't Panic - If you have a question, need an introduction or help, ask someone who is wearing a "Don't Panic" button. Our highly trained and able staff will be happy to help you.
Bulletin Boards - check for changes or announcements posted throughout the weekend.
Name Badges must be worn to all meetings, suites, game room, etc. Not necessary in the pool or sauna, however! A ribbon designates a speaker.
Meal Tickets should be turned in to your server at each meal function.
Hospitality Suites - both will remain open most of the weekend.
Feeding Frenzies featuring special foods will be held periodically throughout the weekend so check the program for time and location.
Game Room will be open most of the weekend. If door is locked, see a Ghost in Hospitality Suite.

Hugs - Please select an appropriate button. Hugging is a shared act; always ask your huggee first. If asked nicely, many who aren't so tagged may be interested!
Trivias - Two games, "People Aren't Trivial" and a general Trivia Games are included in your information packet.
Adults Only - Activities so labeled may contain explicit material. Admission will be restricted to ensure the best possible RG experience for everyone.
Alcohol - It is illegal to serve alcoholic beverages to minors, and our Ghosts have been instructed to observe this law.
Smoking - Please refrain during all seminar sessions.
Check-out time - is Noon. Luggage may be placed with the Bell Captain or in hospitality suites after that.
Auction - Proceeds will be donated to the Chicago Mensa Scholarship Fund.
Videos will be shown in the Creativity Room periodically. Check the bulletin board for times and subjects.

THANK YOU GENEROUS CONTRIBUTORS AND SUPPLIERS

*****FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1986*****

1:00 - Hotel Lobby
REGISTRATION opens in Main Lobby of the Hotel. Pick up name badges, pre-paid meal tickets, and other RG paperwork there.

3:00 - Rooms 1224 and 1235
SMOKING AND NON-SMOKING HOSPITALITY SUITES will offer beverages and munchies for snacking throughout most of the weekend. Also watch for special "Food Frenzies."

5:00 to 10:00 - Kennedy
CREATIVITY ROOM will be open sporadically during the weekend to provide an outlet and audience for your genius. Don't blow it all YET, however, we will have an official MENSA TALENT CONTEST tonight at 10:30 where you can show your really good stuff. The Creativity Room has a piano, microphone, chairs and open spaces.

5:00 - Room 1206
GAME ROOM opens. Puzzles, board games, cards, and other games of chance and skill will be featured all day and most of the night. (We ask smokers to be considerate of their fellow players.) If the room is locked at any time, go to the Hospitality Suite for the key. Enjoy!

Friday Evening Friday Night

5:00 to ? - Non-Smoking Suite
SANDWICH FEEDING FRENZY and WARM WELCOME PARTY (and they say there's no such thing as a free lunch. They're right, it's a free dinner!) This complimentary RG supper will also give you an opportunity to meet HalloweeMers as they arrive.

7:00 to 8:00 - Love A
FABULOUS FISHBOWL FORUM Gary Smith, Chicago M, will MC this free wheeling, creative expression program. Participants will pick a topic from a bowl and speak extemporaneously for two minutes about it.

7:30 to 10:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
COCKTAILS Cash bar during the costume party.

8:30 to 10:30 - Hospitality Suites CLOSED during the Costume Party.

8:30 to 10:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
THE 11TH ANNUAL COSTUME PARTY Characters from film, dance, politics and history will mingle while the judges make their selections for the winners. (Costumes optional but encouraged.) Grand Procession, judging and awards

begin at 10:00. Play the Owl Pinata Game and String Game till then. John Bingham will MC. Walter Darson will take instant photos during the costume party - proceeds from photos will benefit the Scholarship Fund.

9:00 to 9:30 - Love B
STANDUP COMIC Gary Katz, Chicago M, is an attorney by day and comedian by night. He will do his best routines for us and answer questions about the seriousness of comedy. (WARNING: Hecklers will be heckled back!) ADULTS ONLY

10:30 to Midnight - Love B
OFFICIAL MENSA TALENT SHOW - All aspiring, inspiring, and perspiring singers, dancers, magicians, comedians, ecdysiasts, lip synchers, whistlers, tooters, tinklers etc. can show off in front of a friendly crowd. If you have a blatant or hidden talent - now's your time to grab the limelight. A star may be born! Coordinated by Chicago M Bill Slankard and trusty sidekick Jeff Sader, a soon-to-be-M.

10:30 to Midnight - Love A
LOVE & SEX GET IT TOGETHER Many have wondered why Sexyg and Love Sig have been separated - well, wonder no more. Walter Darson, Chicago

Love Sig Coordinator and Cathy Sterrett, Chicago Sexyg Coordinator will discuss the roles of their respective SIGS and answer questions about the benefits of participation in these two groups. ADULTS ONLY

10:30 to ? - Both Hospitality Suites
SNACK FRENZY AFTER THE COSTUME PARTY Nosh on special delectables and sip your favorite beverage in a party setting with your fellow M's.

Midnight to 1:00 - Love B
GHOST STORY SWAPPING - You'll have to sleep with the lights on after listening to ghoulish stories told by participants ... each more frightening than the last. (The buddy system will be employed to escort each other back to sleeping rooms.) No facilitator - couldn't find anyone with a strong enough constitution!

****SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1986****

8:00 AM to ? - Non-Smoking Suite
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST FRENZY Sweetrolls, bagels, cream cheese, etc. will be served up. Coffee to stimulate and herbal teas to soothe will help your sleepy head, too!

8:00 AM to 10:30 - Kennedy
CREATIVITY ROOM open again for your enjoyment and self-expression.

9:00 to 10:15 - Love B
CLASSICAL MUSIC APPRECIATION If you don't know what all the fuss is about concertos and fugues, take part in this restful and informative discussion/demonstration. Alexis Jump, Chicago M and former member of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra Chorus, will play some of the classics in serious music. She'll give tips to the novice and aficionado on how to distinguish sub-genres.

9:00 to 10:00 - Kitty Hawk
EXERCISE & FITNESS LECTURE - It's too early to do it, so come listen to Paul Bergmen, Exercise Physiologist with Holy Family Hospital, discuss the benefits, risks and bottom line (or fanny line?) on staying fit in America.

9:00 to Noon - Kai Tak
MENSA PROCTORED TEST - For $20, those non-M's who aspire to be are invited to take the admission test. You MUST BE ON TIME. Test begins promptly at 9:15 - no latecomers will be admitted or tested. All materials supplied by Proctor. Think clearly and good luck!

10:30 to 11:30 - Love A
THE NEW TAX LAW: WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU We want to keep as much of our earnings as possible, but taxes sure make it challenging. James Olsen, Director of Personal Financial Planning with an accounting firm in Chicago, will provide tax tips and describe savings opportunities in light of new tax laws.

10:30 to 11:30 - Kitty Hawk
THE POLE, THE PYRAMIDS AND SANCTUARY John Cunningham, lecturer, author, sculptor and academician, will describe new simple machine (the pole) and apply it to Peruvian and Egyptian cultures. This device can lift an object onto structural supports, rendering it earthquake proof. He will demonstrate using models.

10:30 to Noon - Love B
FIENDISH ARMCHAIR TREASURE HUNT If you have played before, you know that there ARE NO RULES. (Except "Revere the Judges".) If you haven't played the FATH before, come learn how an armchair team game can be a blood sport! Participants will solve fiendish clues about locations before other teams do. Hosted by Chicago M's Jay Smith and Ray Martin.

10:30 to 11:30 - Kennedy
FAD DIETS Up and down goes the weight, in and out of fashion goes the diet. Find out what fad diets are doing to our metabolisms, and the book business, from Juli Skillman, a Dietitian at Holy Family Hospital.

10:30 to 11:30 - Pool
SOOTHING WATER EXERCISE - Rinse the cobwebs out of your brain and the cricks from your RG exhausted muscles with a series of invigorating shallow water exercises. Judy Jetter, Chicago M and author of two books featuring water exercise and hydrotherapy, will lead. Your hair won't get wet and you don't need to know how to swim. Indoor heated pool.

11:30 to 12:30 - Corridor Outside Ballroom
VIEW AUCTION ITEMS ON DISPLAY before and during luncheon. Look them over and mention your bid to Auctioneer, Alexis Jump sometime today.

Noon to 1:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
LUNCHEON Enjoy a delicious light lunch of chicken salad on croissant or a fruit plate. If you did not purchase the meal, you may join us anyway for conversation and the show.

1:00 to 1:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
RADIO THEATRE - Thrill to entertainment delights of yesteryear as actors in Chicago Mensa stage a suspense-filled radio play. (Open to all) A Theatre of the Err production.

2:00 to 4:00 - Kennedy
IMPROVISATION WORKSHOP Unleash your creativity by participating in theatre games. Demonstrate your ability to become whoever or whatever the moment suggests. Dress comfortably so that you can move freely about the room and floor. Mara Treshansky, Chicago M, will facilitate.

2:00 to 3:00 - Love A
ORIGAMI Make delightful, delicate birds, fish and other animals from brightly colored papers. Jandy Warner, Chicago M, will repeat her popular Japanese paper folding demonstration. She will guide participants in making the Origami to take home. All materials will be provided.

2:00 to 3:00 - Kitty Hawk
"NOW YOU SEE IT, ..." Amazing results are achieved using modern cosmetic surgical techniques. Dr. Richard Schultz, MD, will show before and after slides and answer questions about this increasingly common procedure.

2:00 to 3:30 - Love B
BUTTON-MAKING WORKSHOP Can't find just the right slogan or quote to wear? Make your own! A $1 contribution will cover materials cost and any profit will be donated to the Chicago Scholarship Fund.

3:30 to 5:00 - Kitty Hawk
MIND OF THE ARTIST Panel Ted Lowitz, painter and teacher of art appreciation and painting, will chair a panel of artists to explore their thoughts and intentions as they choose their materials and execute their work. The panel will include a painter, sculptor, muralist, and mixed-media specialist.

3:30 to 4:30 - Love A
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE Computer software programs that help us manage household tasks and finances are almost commonplace nowadays. The future of AI will be in androids (robotics that interface with humans using spoken words.) Michael Zolno of KDS Corporation will discuss vision/perception, robotics, natural language processing, and expert systems.

4:30 to 10:00 - Kennedy
CREATIVITY ROOM Open again for your pleasure.

4:30 to 6:00 - Love B
CARNELLI GAME The game created by Metro DC M's Jan Carnell and Jim Lang comes to Chicago. Naomi Rose will teach you how to link words, plots and characters from major works of drama, art, TV and opera in this fast-paced team game. Naomi will act as arbitrary, capricious and absolutely final judge!

6:30 to 7:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
COCKTAIL HOUR Cash bar. Relaxing time with your favorite beverage and pleasant conversation before dinner. A special performance of classical Japanese theatre will be provided.

7:00 to 7:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
KABUKI DANCE PERFORMANCE Kabuki (ka=song bu=dance ki=act) is one of the world's oldest performing arts. Be on hand to watch as two artists from the Wakayagi School demonstrate this form of classical Japanese theatre.

7:30 to 9:00 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
DINNER BANQUET - Sumptuous dinner with old and new friends. The meal will be followed by a presentation of awards to some VIM's (Very Important Mensans).

9:00 to 9:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
AUCTION to benefit the Scholarship Fund. Challenge bid by anonymous Mensan to match 50% of the amount collected on auctioned items (up to $150). Please help Alexis Jump meet our fund raising goals by placing a bid on the afghan, the cosmetic kits and other goods.

9:30 to 12:30 - O'Hare 5 Ballroom
DANCE to the music provided by a DJ from SPECTRUM. Music from the 40's through the 80's will be played for your dancing pleasure. A record give-away will also be featured. Jim Brotsos will MC.

10:30 to Midnight - Kennedy
JOKE-OFF Jokes and limericks in good and bad taste will be told to a depraved audience of fellow joketellers. (The first prize winner will repeat the joke at Brunch tomorrow.) Referee will be Chicago M Gary Katz. ADULTS ONLY

10:30 to Midnight - Love A
SEXYG FISHBOWL A popular discussion program returns - giving participants an opportunity to ask, anonymously, those questions they've always wanted to ask the oppoite sex. Candid discussion in a respectful and caring environment.

Group size may be limited to facilitate discussion. Cathy Sterrett, Chicago Sexyg Coordinator, will lead. ADULTS ONLY

Midnight to ? - Both Hospitality Suites
AFTER THE DANCE FEEDING FRENZY Special hors d'oeuvres will be offered to tired twisters, weary waltzers and parched polka-ers.

*******SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1986*******

9:00 to 11:00 - Haneda
WORKSHOP FOR LOCAL GROUP LEADERS Our RVC, Bob Burgermeister, will lead a discussion on improving your local group. Those who are now leaders, and those who aspire to lead are welcome, as are those who just want to listen.

9:30 to 10:30 - Midway
CLASSICAL MUSIC QUIZ - See whether you can identify Alexis Jump's pick of the "Top 40" classical music hits. You will be surprised at how many you know and how much fun it is to just listen -- and tear your hair out because you can't name that tune. Winners will be honored at the brunch.

9:00 to 11:00 - Kennedy
HEXATHLON We will have the usual HalloweeM activities of mummy wrapping, paper airplane toss, hopscotch, house of cards building and a jacks tournament. We will also try to determine the contents of unmarked boxes using a coat-hanger, pendulum, or other occult techniques. SERIOUS CRAZIES ONLY

10:30 - Your Room
PACKING You may want to pack up and check out early so as not to disrupt the brunch or the goodbyes to those who must leave early afterward. But stick around yourself for more fun this afternoon! **Checkout is at Noon.** Place your bags in the Hospitality Suites or with the Bell Captain.

11:00 to 12:30 - Kitty Hawk
SUMPTUOUS BRUNCH Join your new found and long time friends over our last meal together. We will have an extensive selection of delectable foods and desserts on the buffet table, all the while being serenaded by Steven West on wind instruments playing Celtic music. Awards, announcements and prizes will be presented after the meal.

1:00 to 2:00 - Kennedy
WIND INSTRUMENTATION OF CELTIC MUSIC
Steven West, our luncheon musician, will play and describe the penny whistle, krummhorn, recorder and transverse flute. He will answer questions about the instruments and music.

1:00 to 2:30 - Midway
ALL THAT JAZZ Judy Jetter, Chicago M, will play jazz favorites for your listening pleasure and also feature a surprise Jazz guest.

2:30 to 5:00 - Haneda
CHARADES Teams of novices and experts alike will pit their gesturing skills against each other to act out titles of books, movies, songs, plays, etc.

2:30 to 5:00 - Kennedy
CREATIVITY Room will be open till the bitter end!

5:00 - HALLOWEEM ENDS - All Rooms Will Close.
Have a safe journey home - See you next year!

* THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU *

A big kiss and a hug to the HalloweeM XI Committee who made this weekend possible. Thank you very much for your advice, humor, hard work, ideas and patience!

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