

HalloweeM XIX

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Program



The World's Longest Halloween Party

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Welcome to HalloweeM XIX

Greetings and Salutations. We are pleased that you decided to join us for the nineteenth installment of the HalloweeM experience. On behalf of the entire HalloweeM Committee, we hope that you have a wonderful time. We would also appreciate if you would take a few minutes and evaluate our RG (forms are available at Registration). Any comments you have will go into the planning of future HalloweeMs. Now, go forth, have a good time and we hope to see you and all of your friends and relatives at HalloweeM XX.

HalloweeM XIX Chairs
Diane M. Miller and Gary Kryvko



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How to get the most from the RG!

Before you get started with the festivities, here are a few tips and reminders that will help you get the most from your HalloweeM experience.

GHosts: HalloweeM is a big undertaking and it takes a lot of volunteers to accomplish such an event. Our Volunteer staff is still looking for a few good people. We only need an hour or two of your time and a HalloweeM Volunteer collector's pin can be yours, along with one of those neat GHost pins. Check in at the Registration table, in Hospitality or with anyone wearing a GHost button.

Where are we and why are we here: HalloweeM activities are located in four different parts of the hotel. To better identify where the programs are located, we have named each area. The area around the Hospitality Suites (the O'Hare Ballrooms) and the primary meeting rooms have been designated **"Hell's Kitchen"**; the Grand Ballrooms, where the dances and the blood drive are located, are **"Vlad's Pad"**; and the secondary meeting room area is affectionately known as **"The Dungeon."** There are also some scattered sites around the hotel and these are referred to as the **"Nether Regions."** Check your map for more info.

Zee "Rules" and Other Helpful Information



Name Badges: Your name badge is your ticket to all the fun and frivolity of HalloweeM. With a group as diverse as ours, the tags are the only way we have of knowing who belongs to the RG and who are the Shriners. Please wear your name badge at all times.



Meal Tickets: A ticket for each meal ordered will be provided at registration. This ticket will be collected at the meal, so don't lose it. It will not be possible for us to replace lost meal tickets. However, even if you didn't order any meals, feel free to attend the cocktail party before the Saturday Banquet, the keynote speaker after the banquet and the awards ceremony after the Sunday Brunch. You may already be a winner.



About the Speakers: Please bear in mind that most of the speakers have donated their time and resources to be with us this weekend and are not paid for their efforts. If you must enter or leave during a program, please do so quietly in deference to both the speaker and the other attendees. Mensa's reputation depends on the actions and attitudes of each of us.



Adults Only: Some programs contain material that is explicit and adult in nature. Admission to these events will be restricted.



Alcohol and Youth: Illinois law, Clarion rules and Mensa of Illinois policy are strict when it comes to underage drinking. The legal drinking age in Illinois is 21. Please do not be insulted if you are asked for proof of age (those over 30 might even find it a pleasant thing). Adherence to this rule has been stressed to all Hospitality GHosts. Parents: Even though you may allow your children to drink alcoholic beverages at home, you are not free to do the same at HalloweeM.



Food and Beverages: Food and beverages must remain in the hospitality suites and the adjoining foyer area. No food or beverages should be taken onto the first floor—that includes to the ballrooms for the dances.



Hugs: Hugging is a mutual act and we wish to make the hugging choice as safe as possible. Pick up a button at the registration desk that signifies your hugging preference.



Smoking: Smoking is permitted in the designated game and hospitality rooms. No smoking is permitted in the seminar sessions.

Ongoing Stuff and Special Events

FriPlay: It may not be too late to get in on the very first FriPlay. The FriPlay bus will leave the hotel at 9 AM Friday morning and then again at noon. The cost is only $10 and you will receive a round trip between the hotel and 3 of Chicago's finest attractions. See the information flyer at the Thursday night registration table or just meet at the front entrance before 9 AM if you wish to attend.



Book Sale: Donated books and tapes will be sold in the Superior Room which is located in the Dungeon. Take advantage of some great bargains. Proceeds go to the Mensa of Illinois Scholarship Fund. Also, you may purchase a book for immediate donation to Project Inkslinger, American Mensa's project to help distressed libraries.



Bulletin Boards: A bulletin board will be available at the Registration desk for the posting of personal messages, program changes and other announcements.



Feeding Frenzies: There are six scheduled at various times during the weekend in the Hospitality Suites. Check the program schedule for the time of these culinary feasts. Be sure to keep your extremities close to you. Velociraptors have been spotted in line.



Hospitality Suites: There are three hospitality suites located in the O'Hare Ballrooms in the Hell's Kitchen area of HalloweeM. One is for smokers and the other two are for non-smokers. Signs will indicate which are which. The suites are open 24 hours a day during the weekend. Look for the popcorn machine and ice cream freezer which will be stocked throughout the weekend.

Silent Auction: This year's silent auction will run throughout the weekend in the Superior Room located in the Dungeon area. The highest bidder at 10:00 am Sunday will be the winner. We will accept cash or personal checks. Auction proceeds go to benefit the Mensa of Illinois Scholarship Fund.

Swimming Pool: Through great effort we have secured extra hours for the swimming pool and adjoining sauna. You will have until 2 am on both Friday and Saturday to swim or schmooze. Please be advised that during normal hours we will be sharing the pool with the regular hotel guests.

Other Hints and Tips

Highway Massagery: When (and where) you least expect it . . . be on the lookout for Chicago M Georgia Phillipe and her sister Katherine, the infamous "Four Hands Gang." Each has been known to massage unsuspecting, requesting passers-by into submission and then make off with $2 for the Scholarship Fund. They can be recognized by their distinctive black T-shirts bearing orange hands—Approach with tension—They are armed (and handed) and leisurous.

Time Change: Fall back. That's our position. On Sunday morning at 2 AM our resident witch will do her magic and make it 1 AM. (Yes, we know witches are Politically Incorrect, deal with it.)

Late Check-Out: We have also made arrangements with the hotel for a 2 PM check-out on Sunday. Sleep late, or stick around to say your farewells to the masses.

Still Have Questions?

Questions: If you have any questions, just ask someone with a GHost button. If they don't have the answer, they'll know where to get it. Also look for committee members sporting nifty skeletons on their name badges.

Bearing in mind these tips will enhance everyone's enjoyment of HalloweeM.

Games and Puzzles

Game Rooms — Heathrow and Orly, Hell's Kitchen

There are two rooms available for your gaming pleasure, down the hall from Hospitality. The Heathrow Room is for non-smokers and the Orly Room is for smokers. Both are located in Hell's Kitchen and will be open all weekend for informal gaming and puzzling. Feel free to move games from one room to the other as necessary.

Blackjack Tournament — Times To Be Posted, Game Rooms, Hell's Kitchen

This is an ongoing tournament throughout the weekend, hosted by Chicago M Robert Andrus. Schedule will be posted in game rooms. Proceeds go to the Gifted Children's Fund, and winners get a HalloweeM XIX T-shirt. (Winners announced at the Sunday Brunch.) See the coupon at the back of the program for 50 free chips to start you off.

Game Tournaments

In addition to the Blackjack Tournament, several games tournaments will be held during the course of the weekend. They include:

Saturday, 9 AM–11 AM, Game Rooms: ..... **Cribbage**

Saturday, 1 PM–3 PM, Game Rooms: ..... **Backgammon**

Saturday, 1 PM–3:20 PM, Ontario, Dungeon: ..... **True Greed**

Saturday, 3 PM–5(?) PM, Game Rooms: ..... **Magic**

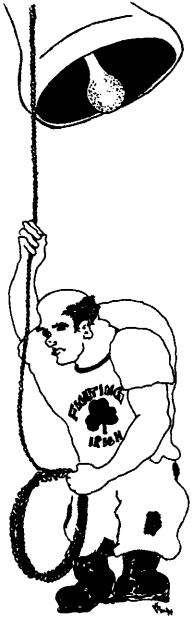
Sunday, 9:30 AM–11:20 PM, Ontario, Dungeon: ..... **Not So Serious Bridge**

Perplexing Puzzles — Outside of Hospitality

Kadon Enterprises, purveyors of fine puzzles at both last year's HalloweeM and this year's AG, is back. You will find them in the foyer area right across from Hospitality. Puzzles are available for your enjoyment and your purchase. Proceeds benefit the Mensa of Illinois Gifted Children's Fund.

Developmental Games — Sunday Only, Outside of Hospitality

Gerri Hesselberg brings Discovery Toys to HalloweeM. She can be found in the foyer area just down the hall from the Registration staircase. 11% of the proceeds are being donated to our Gifted Children's Fund.



Friday Programs

Registration — 3–10 PM, Outside Gift Shop

Puzzle Display — 3–9 PM, Outside Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen

Book Sale — 4–10 PM, Superior, Dungeon

Singles Mixer III — 6–8:30? PM, Huron, Dungeon

This event is one of the most popular for singles! You can meet the person of your dreams—or at least someone resembling a cardboard cutout of your dreams—painlessly and (almost) effortlessly. We'll have two gatherings, one each night before the dance.

This is a singles game where all participants fill out a micro-biography containing information such as first name, birth date, pet peeves, etc. We post these on the wall, and people are assigned numbers, M1, M2, M3, . . . F1, F2, F3, ... When you find a person you want to meet, instead of making the faux pas of a lifetime by asking that person and being rejected in front of billions and billions of people, you just drop a postcard in their mailbox. If they circle the happy face (instead of the frowny face), you can confidently go to your match knowing that the person is interested in you. See how easy that was?

Mailboxes will be available 24 hours a day in the St. Lawrence Room, so you can drop/get notes/replies all day and all night long!

Coordinator: Chicago M Rick Roszko, "M1"

Pizza Feed — 6:30–7:30? PM — Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen

Stop by for some tasty Jake's Pizza and other goodies.

Hell's Ms — 7–7:30 PM — Ontario, Dungeon

A meeting for current and potential HELL's Ms. Find out what is going on with the party SIG. HELL's Ms: Don't forget to vote Sunday for The Party Animal—results announced at Sunday Brunch.

Mythic Fig Traveling Variety Showcase — 7–9 PM — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

Chicago M Caroline Jaffe heads up this musical troupe, represented here by Irtnog, Pot Luck, Spellcast, Rev. Steven Sierra, and The Thom Harris Crew. See what became of the old hippies, and get a preview of some of the silent auction "merchandise."

DJ Dance 1 — 9 PM–2 AM — Ballrooms, Vlad's Pad

You can be in costume, if you wish, so there is no reason to avoid the dance floor. After all, no one will recognize you. Music will be provided by Crestline Entertainment.

Law School Mysteries — 9–10:50 PM — Ontario, Dungeon

It's elementary . . . but ***you*** have to determine what happened. Come try this audience participation game where a mystery is presented and you have to solve it using "yes" and "no" questions. Each puzzle should take 3–10 minutes. Arrive when you can, leave when you must. If you love whodunits, you'll love this, though you must watch out for Ohio M Dr. Miles Storfer's murderous puns!

Costume Contest — 10:30 PM — Ballrooms, Vlad's Pad

Show off your year's hard work dreaming up the perfect pun. Prizes will be awarded for the top 3 puns, the best traditional costume and the best original costume. First prize will be a trip to the HalloweeM Hall of Fame. As soon as we build it.

The Great Chicago Joke-Off — 11:30 PM–1 AM-ish (?) — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

(After the Costume Parade.) Bring your best jokes and worst puns (you will anyway), or just listen and groan along with M.J. Tala as she (inexplicably) returns for yet a third year as gHostess of this popular and occasionally painful event. This year, in addition to Best Joke there will be an award given for the Worst Groaner. (Puns are likely to do well here.) Your host could use some new blonde jokes, too.

Carnelli — 11:30 PM–?? — Ontario, Dungeon

Play the title game created by DC Ms Jan Carnell and Jim Lange. Try it . . . or try it again.

Breads with Spreads — Midnight — Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen

Sweet stuff to make your hips and waist spread! So be there, not under your bedspread! GHosted by Dhun Allbritton.



Saturday Programs

Registration
8 AM–8 PM
Outside Gift Shop

Puzzle Display
8 AM–8 PM
Outside Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen

Book Sale
9 AM–10 PM
Superior, Dungeon

Bagel Breakfast
7–?? AM
Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen

Free fresh food for wakeful folks!

Friends of Bill W.
8–9 AM
Huron, Dungeon

An open, "impromptu" meeting for all members of 12-step groups. Susanne H., coordinator.

Basic Blackjack
9–10 AM
Game Room, Hell's Kitchen

Whether you want to learn or improve your blackjack play, come see what casino-regular and M Robert Andrus can tell you about improving your odds.

There will be an ongoing tournament through the weekend in the games rooms (schedule posted in games rooms) with winners to be announced at Sunday brunch. NOTE: You do not have to attend this session to compete in the tournament.

Blood Drive
9 AM–5 PM
North Ballroom, Vlad's Pad

It's been a particularly tough summer for area blood banks, and supplies have been running dangerously low. Only a tiny fraction of eligible donors ever give blood at all, and summer takes many of them away on vacation. It's our hope that Mensans, with their usual warmth and generosity, will turn out en masse and help Life Source replenish their supplies. For a tiny investment of time and no money, you can share the good health you're so fortunate to have, and give a gift that really does keep on giving—*Life*. See you at the Blood Drive!

Cribbage Tourney
9–11 AM
Game Room, Hell's Kitchen

Come try your hand at Cribbage! This tournament will be single elimination and limited to the first 16 to sign up. Be sure to arrive early to ensure your spot in the competition. Sarai Gregg, coordinator.



Is Nothing Sacred?
9–9:50 AM
Erie, Dungeon

Chicago M Al Potter leads a cursory review of several contemporary religions and some of their sacraments along with various concepts of heaven and hell as expressed by cartoonists from two continents.

Meet the RVC
9–?? AM
Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen

Come by and say "Hi" to Region 4 Vice Chairman Russ Washburne. Share your thoughts on what Mensa can be and how we can get there.

Morning Exercise
9–9:50 AM — Cook, Nether Regions

Skinner and Yvonne will lead a morning exercise class to help you get stretched out and ready to party. The program consists of mixed impact and various non-aerobic stretching exercises . . . or you can go to Hospitality and eat a donut.



Fiendish Armchair Treasure Hunt
10–11:50 AM — Ontario, Dungeon

Or, how many chairs can Mensans hunt if Mensans can hunt chairs? So, it's Mensa-caliber competition you want, eh ducky? Come join a team to solve rebus-type clues—goal: be the first to identify geographical locales. The only rule for the hunt is "Revere the Judges." Cheating and judge-bribing are not only allowed, but encouraged (this IS Chicago!!). Developed by Chicago Ms Jay Smith and Ray Martin and presided over by sacred judges Helen Kupper and Louise Howe.

How to Talk Almost Anyone Into Almost Anything, Part II
10–10:50 AM — Erie, Dungeon

Transplanted M Lynne Killgore returns to do the second part of this popular talk. She'll discuss the basics of talking with people and some of the more common etiquette issues involved. Audience will have the opportunity to participate.

Self Defense 202
10–10:50 AM — Cook, Nether Regions

Twice as good as Self Defense 101! Chicago M John Martin, an instructor for the Combat Arts Institute, will discuss a variety of self-defense options ranging from acquired skills to purchased devices. This session is intended to be primarily interactive with audience directed discussion and audience prompted demonstrations. (Highlights will include a video of tests of commercially available products.)

Modern Tattoos
10–10:50 AM — Huron, Dungeon

Tattoo artist Bob Burt, owner of World Class Body Customizing in Berwyn, presents some of the designs available and discusses why tattoos are not just for bikers anymore!

Audience members may show/discuss some of their tattoos as time allows.

We the Gifted
9:45–10:50 AM — Michigan, Dungeon

Features findings of the Profiles of Giftedness surveys of 2,500+ Ms, including biological conditions (childhood myopia, allergies, migraines) and family structure (birth order, parental age, number of siblings). "If you're so smart, why can't you . . ," photographic memory, and other topics also discussed by Ohio M Miles Storfer.

So You Wanna Get Published?
10–10:50 AM — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

The Proper Care & Feeding of Your Literary Agent

Chicago M Michael Steinberg gives helpful hints from a literary agent.

Hypnosis for Fun
11–11:50 AM — Michigan, Dungeon

Lee Darrow presents a fast-paced program of hypnotic demonstrations using audience volunteers. Darrow's award-winning shows have brought acclaim from such clients as KPNG Peat Marwick, Northwestern University, Siemens, and many more. See hypnotism without the embarrassment so often associated with such programs and enjoy an adventure into the mind.

Law School in 1 Hour

11–11:50 AM
Cook, Nether Regions

Why You and Your Lawyer Can't Communicate

A light discussion of the subjects taught to aspiring lawyers in law school and during bar preparation. This lecture is intend to give lay listeners an appreciation of what legal training involves. Questions welcome.

How to Strip for Your Man . . . For Women Only

11–11:50 AM
Narita, Hell's Kitchen

NOTE: **Door locked at 11:05!** Lingerie will be flung, ties trashed, and men, er, discussed. Yeah. Practical, frank, and funny takes on the whole man/woman thing, centering on creative disrobing, presented by former ecdysiast turned accountant M.J. Tala.

Obsessive-Compulsive Revelations

11–11:50 AM
Huron, Dungeon

This is sort of like a joke-off, except the stories are true. Reveal your personal obsessive or compulsive habits and receive a certificate suitable for framing. How you install toilet paper is just the beginning.

NOTE: Obsessive-compulsive disorder is a serious matter which may need medical attention. That is NOT the purpose of this session, nor is our purpose to make fun of those who are seriously afflicted.

Macintosh Computers

11:30 AM–12:30 PM
Erie, Dungeon

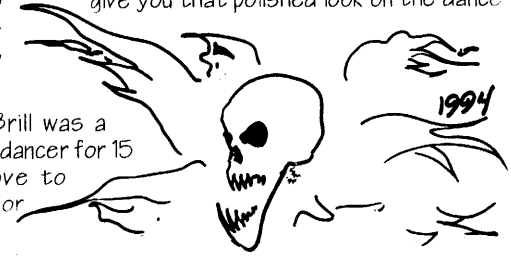
Chicago M and Macintosh consultant Alan Baltis takes attendees on a joyride down the information superhighway using the latest Power Macintosh technology. Helmets required—pocket protectors optional.

Ballroom Dance

12–12:50 PM
Narita, Hell's Kitchen

I spotted *THE ONE* across the floor;
At once my heart took wing.
Alas, I knew I'd never score
Unless I learned to *SWING!*

Do you feel the beat but don't know how to move to it? Does feeling awkward on the dance floor stop you from joining in? Would you like to move in sync with your partner? Come and learn some swing basics and have fun dancing when the music begins. You'll learn the basic swing step and some turns to give you that polished look on the dance floor. Wear smooth-soled shoes or socks to dance in.



Chicago M Darlene Brill was a competitive ballroom dancer for 15 years and would love to share her passion for dancing with you.

New Warriors

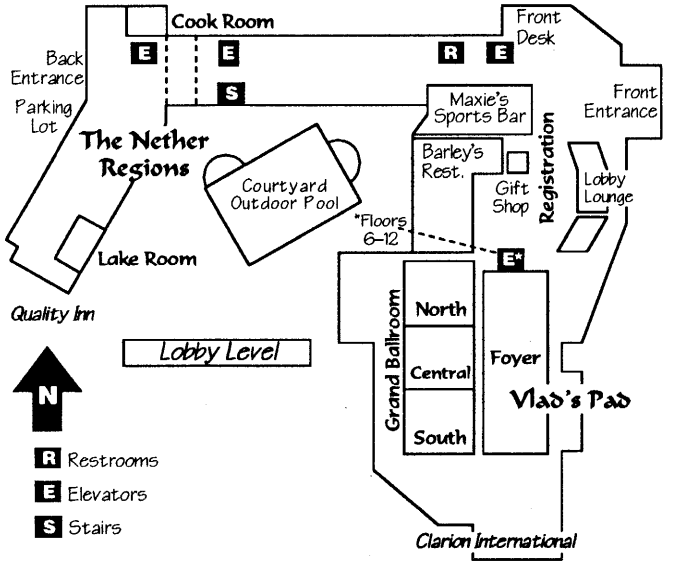
12–12:50 PM
Michigan, Dungeon

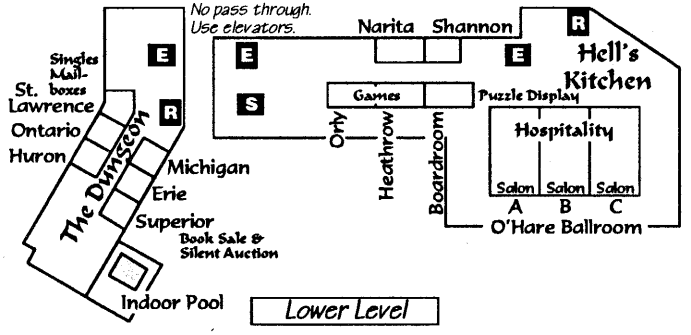
Learn the truth about "those weirdos beating drums out in the wilderness." Barry Weiss is a Chicago member of this men's group.

Medical Ethics

12–12:50 PM
Huron, Dungeon

Paramedic, EMS Director and Chicago M John Vogel leads a discussion of current medical ethics issues, including do-not-resuscitate orders. Primary focus will be pre-hospital care.





Room	Location
Ballroom Foyer	Vlad's Pad
Boardroom	Hell's Kitchen
Central Grand Ballroom	Vlad's Pad
Cook Room	The Nether Regions
Erie	The Dungeon
Grand Ballrooms	Vlad's Pad
Heathrow	Hell's Kitchen
Huron	The Dungeon
Lake Room	The Nether Regions
Michigan	The Dungeon
Narita	Hell's Kitchen
North Grand Ballroom	Vlad's Pad
O'Hare Ballroom	Hell's Kitchen
Ontario	The Dungeon
Orly	Hell's Kitchen
Pool	The Dungeon
Registration	Vlad's Pad
St. Lawrence	The Dungeon
Salon A	Hell's Kitchen
Salon B	Hell's Kitchen
Salon C	Hell's Kitchen
Shannon	Hell's Kitchen
South Grand Ballroom	Vlad's Pad
Superior	The Dungeon

Proctored Test

12–3 PM
Cook, Nether Regions

See if you have what it takes to become a card-carrying genius. Chicago M Paul Streeter, proctor.

TOON

12–12:50 PM
Ontario, Dungeon

Chicago M Theo Hartman leads this introduction to the wacky cartoon-based role playing game, TOON.

Backgammon Tourney

1–3 PM
Game Room, Hell's Kitchen

Try this test against the best! Tournament will be single elimination and limited to the first 16 registrants. Please be sure to arrive early to ensure your spot in the competition. Sarai Gregg, coordinator.

OS/2 and The Internet

1–2:50 PM
Erie, Dungeon

The Intelligent Person's Road Map to the Information Superhighway

Chicago M Richard Hinton and Tim Sipples of IBC Corporation, Chicago, invite everyone to check out the latest version of OS/2, which includes an easy Internet dialup connection. OS/2 now includes a free word processor, spreadsheet, and other applications, and takes advantage of the SOM (structured object module), allowing for EASY exchange between SOM-aware applications without using the cumbersome clipboard.

The IBM Internet software is SLIP based, meaning that you can have your own personal Internet address from which to send messages, download files, or search databases around the world. OS/2 can be used to telnet into libraries, CD collections, and search various newsgroups at the click of an icon. Arcane Internet commands are replaced by easy-to-read icons that tell the user what is going on. You can use World Wide Web, e-mail and telnet all at the same time over the same telephone line without the ubiquitous "hourglass" telling you to wait a minute. The audience will have a chance to ask questions about the only true 32-bit object-oriented operating system available for micro-computers today . . . OS/2.

True Greed Tourney

1–3:20 PM
Ontario, Dungeon

Ohio M Mary Lee Kemper invites you to play True Greed—a dicey game of personality.

Chicago Quiz Bowl

1–6 PM
Michigan, Dungeon

Is *Jeopardy!* your idea of fun? Do you wish *College Bowl* was still on the air? Do you just ***love*** to get the answers before everyone else—even when there's no prize? If so, then this Quiz Bowl, led by Chicago M Gary Smith, is for you. Pick up a rules sheet and entry form at the registration table, get together a four-person team, then deposit the completed entry in the box at the registration table.



Teams must be entered by NOON SATURDAY.

Team playing times will be posted outside meeting room. Spectators/cheerleaders welcome to come and go at will.

Life, Liberty, & BIG BROTHER

2–2:50 PM
Huron, Dungeon

Chicago M Maggie Kohls introduces this discussion of libertarian philosophy. Panelists include: David Kelley, gubernatorial candidate from Rockford; Mike Ginsberg, Libertarian candidate for comptroller, and Ken Prazak. Note: Neither Mensa of Illinois nor American Mensa, Ltd. endorse any political party or candidate.

Massage With Skinner
2–5 PM — Lake, Nether Regions

The massage workshop will cover techniques of pleasant, relaxing (non-therapeutic, non-sexual) massage and will be presented by Skinner and Yvonnne. They have been doing massage seminars for Mensa since 1986.

The workshop will be done in three stages: an introduction to the elements of massage (30–45 min.), a demonstration of the basic strokes (15–30 min.), and an opportunity to practice the strokes you have just been shown (~1 hr.).

The third stage is clothing optional and doors will be locked. Only people who attended the first and second stage may participate in the third stage, and those not participating will be asked to leave. For those who have attended past seminars on massage, there will be a separate section of the room for working on advanced strokes.

See and Do . . . Country Dancing Made Easy
2–2:50 PM — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

Y'all come on down and scoot some boot with city cowgirl M.J. Tala. Country music and dancing continue to be the hottest thing going, and there are line dances easy enough for even Mensans to learn (honest!)! And we'll dazzle everyone by taking these to the dance later in the evening. Boots and hats optional . . . just bring yourself.

The Cajuns: History, Culture, Language, and Song
3–5? PM — Ballroom, Vlad's Pad

The French culture once existed along the waterways of mid-America from the Great Lakes through the Midwest and south to Louisiana, where it still exists in Cajun country. Let's recreate, for an hour or two, the ambiance of the bayous and dance halls around Lafayette in southwest Louisiana. We will explore the history of the Cajuns, find how their French culture is maintained today, and play some Cajun two-steps and waltzes on the accordion, fiddle, and guitar. "Allons à Lafayette!" Presented by The Midway Ramblers Cajun Band: Dennis Nuccio, Anthony Blair Studio, Summit; Denise Thompson, Ph.D., Triton College; and Earl Thompson, Ph.D., Elmhurst College.

Good Life, Good Death
3–3:50 PM — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

An Introduction to the Hemlock Society

The Hemlock Society supports the option of voluntary active euthanasia for the terminally ill. Joseph Schuman, attorney and syndicated columnist in the lesbian-gay community press, is vice president of Hemlock of Illinois. He'll sketch the group's position . . . and then he'll stand back. We anticipate a cordial but spirited discussion.

SHOGI–Japanese Chess
3–3:50 PM — Cook, Nether Regions

Chicago M Howard Wachtel and Tony Salvaggione lead a demonstration of the Japanese board game Shogi. It's similar to chess, but more exciting, as captured pieces can re-enter the larger playing board!

Taste of Saint Louis
3–4 PM — Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen

Come rest your arches and try the Arch's hospitality! Sneak preview of the '95 St. Louis AG!

Magic, the Tournament
3–5 (?) PM — Game Rooms, Hell's Kitchen

Try your hand at the fantasy card game that's sweeping the country. Chicago M Karl Sila will oversee the conflict. See additional info sheet at registration or in the game rooms.

SEXYG Fishbowl Forum
3–5 PM — Huron, Dungeon

ADULTS ONLY. Talk about your favorite topic while you're wide awake! What have you always wanted to ask the opposite sex? What do you feel they've always misunderstood? This is your opportunity to pose those questions anonymously and get candid and intimate answers. To enhance the participants' comfort and discourage gapers, we must insist on confidentiality and promptness. **NO ONE WILL BE ADMITTED OR READMITTED AFTER 3:15.** Please plan to stay at least to the half-time break. Facilitator: Chicago M Cathy Sterrett.

Singles Curmudgeon
3–3:50 PM — Erie, Dungeon

To be a successful single, or become non-single, you have to know who you are and be happy with that. Learn about available resources and singles techniques, including the fine art of "skimming."

Karaoke
3:30–5? PM — Ontario, Dungeon

Dayton M Cher Burnham will provide the music—YOU provide the voice. Come try this updated, uptown, upbeat sing-along of the nineties.

Bridge Lessons
4–5 PM — Cook, Nether Regions

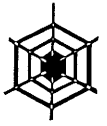
A quick-start for beginners . . . come find out what the bidding's all about! A cooperative effort led by Chicago M Marty Zwart.

Puzzle Me This
4–5 PM — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

Chicago M and enigmatologist Alan Baltis shares his fascination with puzzles of all shapes, sizes, colors, and flavors. Come strain your brain among friends!

Singles Mixer III.V
5–7 PM — Huron, Dungeon

If you missed this event on Friday, don't fret—you can still get a date for Saturday night's dance! You can meet the person of your dreams—or at least someone resembling a shadow of a cardboard cutout of your dreams—painlessly and (almost) effortlessly. (See Friday's 6 PM program description for how easy it really is.) Mailboxes will be available 24 hours a day in the St. Lawrence Room, so you can drop/get notes/replies all day and all night long! If you don't want to wait 'til Saturday night to join the fun, see Chicago M Rick Roszko, mixer coordinator—he's wearing a big "M1" button and will be roaming around all day and night.



Banquet
6:30–7:30 PM — Ballroom, Vlad's Pad

The cocktail half-hour begins at 6:00 PM for anyone interested in cocktailing. At 6:30 dinner will be served to those with meal tickets. Fine dining music will be supplied by Harpist Nolan Burris.

For those of you without meal tickets, don't forget to come back at 7:30 PM to hear our keynote speaker, Marc Abrahams.

Mini-Counseling Sessions
6–9 PM — Cook, Nether Regions

Chicago M and psychotherapist Joseph Mill helps keep those psychotic (exhibitionist?) skirts under control. Seriously, though, Joseph will be available for a series of 10- to 15-minute counseling sessions to discuss your difficulties. Sign-up sheet posted noonish outside room.

Saturday Night Triple Feature Picture Show

6 PM–3? AM
Michigan-Erie, Dungeon

Chicago M Lloyd Giorando presents HalloweeM flicks. Highlights include movies 'til 11:30, HalloweeM music videos 'til 12, and *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* at midnight! Details posted outside room.

Mythic Fig Traveling Variety Showcase

7–9 PM
Narita, Hell's Kitchen

Chicago M Caroline Jaffe heads up this musical troupe, represented here by Irtnog, Pot Luck, Spelled Out, Rev. Steven Sierra, and The Thom Harris Crew. See what became of the old hippies, and get a preview of some of the silent auction "merchandise."

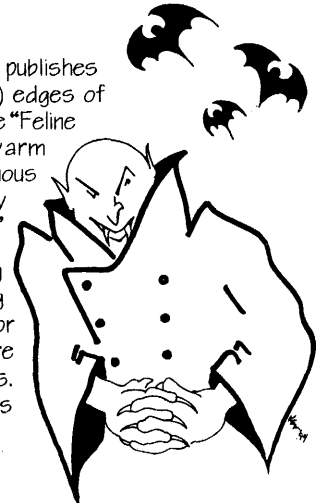
Advances in Improbable Research

7:30–9 PM
Ballroom, Vlad's Pad

Keynote Speaker: Marc Abrahams

The Annals of Improbable Research (AIR) publishes reports from the leading (and cracking) edges of science. Examples to be presented include "Feline Reactions to Bearded Men," "Lukewarm Fusion," "A Taxonomy of Barney," "Infectious Diseases in Bricks," and "The Politically Correct Periodic Table of the Elements."

Each Autumn, AIR produces the annual Ig Nobel Prize Ceremony at MIT honoring people whose achievements "cannot or should not be reproduced"; the prizes are handed out by genuine Nobel Laureates. The work of recent Ig Nobel prize winners will be shown, discussed, and dismissed.



DJ Dance II

9 PM–1 AM
Ballroom, Vlad's Pad

Crestline Entertainment returns for another session of dancing the night away.

Psychic Readings

9 PM–??
Huron, Dungeon

Natural psychics sort out your past, present and future! Love, health, finance, and spirituality are made plain by the Tarot, crystals, and the lines in your own hand.

Charades

10:30–11:30(?) PM
Ontario, Dungeon

Chicago M Jay Smith leads this classic party game.

Intelligent SM

10:30–11:30 PM
Narita, Hell's Kitchen

A panel composed of Chicago Ms Joanne Gaddy, M.J. Tala, and ??? will discuss SM, answer your questions, and provide resource info. They'll walk you through a comparison of SM, B&D, D&S, and the rest of the alphabet. Appropriate for the expert, novice, or respectfully curious. ADULTS ONLY.

Saturday Late Night Double Feature Picture Show

Midnight–??
Michigan-Erie, Dungeon

Is this déjà vu? No, it's The Time Warp! Chicago M Lloyd Giordano presents *The Rocky Horror Picture Show!*

Veggies for Non-Veggies — **Midnight–??, Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen**

Don't crash now! Here's some healthy, tasty food to keep you going strong! Middle Eastern cuisine includes hummus, baba ganoush, falafel, and more!

Carnelli — **Midnight–??, Ontario, Dungeon**

Play the title game created by DC Ms Jan Carnell and Jim Lange. Try it . . . or try it again.



Sunday Programs

Bonus Hour — **2–1 AM, Everywhere**

What other RG is so kind as to schedule an extra hour of rest (or fun!) for you to better enjoy your weekend?!!

Registration — **8 AM–Noon, Outside Gift Shop**

Puzzle Display — **8 AM–Noon, Outside Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen**

Book Sale — **9–10 AM, Superior, Dungeon**

Bagel Breakfast — **7–?? AM, Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen**

More munchies meant for morningmonsters to mange.

Developmental Games — **8 AM–Noon, Outside Hospitality, Hell's Kitchen**

Friends of Bill W. — **8–9 AM, Huron, Dungeon**

An open, "impromptu" meeting for all members of 12-step groups. Susanne H., coordinator.

Sunday True Matinée — **8 AM–??, Erie, Dungeon**

Chicago Ms Lloyd Giordano and Mark McDermott present cartoons, music videos, and movies to ease you out of party mode and back into a sedentary week. Stop by and see what's playing!

Bamboo Bridge — **9:30–10:20 AM, Michigan, Dungeon**

Christian Kramer, national director for the Bamboo Bridge organization, talks about veterans from combat zones and their readjustment/reassimilation needs in our society today.

Move Your Body Using Your Head — **9:30–11:30 AM, Lake, Nether Regions**

The Feldenkrais method designed to help participants learn more about the quality of movement to relieve stress, stiffness, and pain and to improve vitality. This workshop will be taught using Awareness Through Movement (ATM), and gently stimulate each person's abilities to organize the mind and body through structured movement sequences. (Wear clothes you can move freely in—there may be some floor exercises.)

Stephen Duke, an Associate Professor of Music at Northern Illinois University, has applied the Feldenkrais Method to the performing arts, and has a jazz saxophone CD due out in January from Sony records.

Magic Revealed
9:30–10:30 AM — Huron, Dungeon

Chicago M Bob Finnegan presents a special video tape showing how feats of magic were really accomplished, including both stage and close-up magic.

Not So Serious Bridge Tournament
9:30–11:20 AM — Ontario, Dungeon

Robert Green will host a bridge party for beginners and up. Kibitzers are welcome, too. "Tournament" is limited to the first 40 who sign up. No smoking.

Goin' to the Zoo
9:30–10:30 AM — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

A representative from the world-renowned Brookfield Zoo shows it's all happening at the zoo! Details to be posted.

Bright Floor Dancing
10 AM–2 PM — Game Room, Hell's Kitchen

Advanced Dungeons & Dragons, 2nd Ed. The construction of Lord Darthinian's Star Sword requires an unusual tempering process . . . a dragon's breath. Your party must prove very persuasive! Role playing stressed—characters provided—limited number of participants.

Michael Schneider is R.P.G.A. 5th level judge and an organizer of the Concentric '95 Game Fair.

After "Oh Sh*t"
10:30–11:20 AM — Huron, Dungeon

Mike Anderson, an Indiana EMT, will discuss what to do in an emergency, provide fundamentals of emergency care, and make you aware of how to get help and what to do while waiting.

Indian Mounds
10:30–11:20 AM — Narita, Hell's Kitchen

You don't have to travel to the Peru's Plain of Nazca to find mysterious giant animal effigies! Chicago M and professional engineer James Marshall reveals the Hopewell Indians' large earthworks in the eastern U.S. and discusses the mathematics, engineering, and astronomy required to build them.

Comic Books
10:30–11:20 AM — Michigan, Dungeon

Chicago M and collector of fine literature Alan Baltis will discuss classic writings of Western civilization, such as Spider-Man, The Fantastic Four, and The X-Men. Not for intellectuals only!

Brunch
11:30 AM–12:30 PM — Ballroom, Vlad's Pad

Break bread with your fellow Mensans one last time before breaking camp.

Awards Presentation
12:30–1 PM — Ballroom, Vlad's Pad

Who won what at HalloweeM this year.

Storytelling
1:00–3:00 PM — Huron, Dungeon

Chicago M Marty Zwart will demonstrate the secrets of good storytelling. Participants are then encouraged to try out their own skills in a warm, supportive atmosphere.



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A final word of thanks to our many volunteer GHosts and everyone else who made HalloweeM XIX a success.

50 This Coupon Entitles 50

The Bearer to

50 Chips

in the Blackjack Tournament

One Coupon Per Dealer

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We hope to see y'all in 1995 at
HalloweeM XX

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Same Bat Channel!

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