

March 2013 "What's Up In Our Region" Peggy Pannke-Smith RVC7@us.mensa.org

## **ELECTIONS!**

We have two candidates running to become your new Regional Vice Chair (RVC) for Region 7!

GREG KONTZ is highly qualified with experience locally (as Area Coordinator, he increased membership in his area of North Dakota with testing at the best per capita ratio nationally), regionally (learned the ropes as my Assistant RVC), nationally (presented leadership workshops at the Annual Gathering); and internationally (one of 3 American Mensans chosen to present leadership workshop at European Mensan Annual Gathering in Prague). Greg is currently Local Secretary for North Dakota Mensa and has won the prestigious Dr. Salny Award.

**JAKE WINSHIP** is an up-and-coming member, finishing his term as Local Secretary for Mid-America Mensa, one of our region's largest groups. He is an actuary with a concentration in health benefit systems. He's worked in the insurance industry in Virginia, Connecticut and Dallas-Fort Worth before returning to Kansas City and has been a fast pitch softball umpire, a sports editor and a collegiate wrestler. He's taught religious education in Texas and Kansas and also has co-served as a gifted youth coordinator for Mid-America Mensa.

## WELCOME NEW OFFICERS

JEANE THOMPSON, Local Secretary for Denver Mensa ANDRE JORDHEIM, Web Contact for North Dakota Mensa ANN KNUDSON, SIGHT Coordinator for North Dakota Mensa

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

April 28 – Culture Quest. Get a team together (your local group can sponsor you & pay the fee) for this exciting national trivia game. Money prizes for your Scholarship Fund!

June 14-16 faRGo – our Regional Gathering in Fargo ND! faRG02013@live.com

July 3-7 Culture in Cow Town Annual Gathering ag2013.us.mensa.org Register before the end of March for \$120; hotels are \$99 per night +fees.

## **WE HAVE A FACEBOOK PAGE!**

Log onto your Facebook page and search for "Mensa Region 7" to share ideas, events, etc. or just click on <a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/HeartlandMensaRegion7">http://www.facebook.com/groups/HeartlandMensaRegion7</a>. We have close to 180 very interesting members and new members every week so far!

Please send your announcements and photos of Region 7 happenings to Mensa@pegmadsen.com

OUR REGION 7 WEBSITE IS AT:

http://www.region7.us.mensa.org/

I'd love to hear from you! Contact me RVC7@us.mensa.org.