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Spring is here. Finally, we can get away from the fireplace and instead fire up the grills and smokers. The rabbits are running around building their warrens and harassing my dog when we go on walks. There is even a hawk building a nest in my back yard keeping an eye on them, so they won't get too out of hand. Pretty soon we'll be dying eggs, hopefully at a reasonable price, and hiding them for the kids to find.

April isn't just about enjoying our own backyard though. It also brings Mensa Cares week. Check out the Mensa website at us.mensa.org/volunteer/community-service/ to see what other groups have done in the past. If you find something fun your local group can do, let us know what you're planning.

My favorite part in this change of seasons is seeing the bright colors from the first flowers pushing out of the ground. It always gives me hope when Demeter blesses the ground on Persephone's return. Daffodils, then tulips, always sprout first here. That got me thinking of the diverse experience members of Region 7 have. From Kansas Sunflower Mensa to North Dakota Mensa, we span 5 different growing seasons. That diversity is our strength. Keep in touch with your local groups, but also reach out where you can to see how everyone else is doing. For those able to attend the AG in July, I'll see you in Chicago. Otherwise drop a line on Facebook or Mensa Connect. I would be happy to send flower pics to brighten your day.

Always keep on the sunny side. The days are growing longer, shining more light where we may have seen shadows. On the trees we can see bare branches sprouting new blossoms and hear new songs from the birds as they nestle into their nests. That can't help but remind us of the possibility renewal always brings with it. So grab that chocolate bunny (it keeps the dementors away) and let's make Mensa better this year!

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