

Metropolitan Washington Mensa and Maryland Mensa Combined Calendar May, 2008

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IMPORTANT CALENDAR INFORMATION: The standard contribution is \$5, regardless of arrival/departure time, unless otherwise noted. We recommend that you contact the host prior to the event to make sure there are no last-minute changes. All events are smoke-free unless noted. For official events such as the Monthly Gathering and the Election Party, accommodations will be made if at all possible for cigarette smoking. In all cases, we will abide by the smoking regulations of the jurisdiction and/or facility we're in. All are reminded that, with the exception of official MWM events (ExComm, monthly gatherings, election parties), attendance at events is at the discretion of the host. This being said, we encourage hosts to be inclusive and welcoming. In general a spouse, significant other, family member, or guest will always be welcome. **The deadline for calendar entries is the 7th of the month preceding the targeted month.** (If your event is in January, the deadline is December 7.) We share our event calendar with our neighbors to the north, Maryland Mensa. A notation of (MM) indicates that Maryland Mensa supplied the calendar entry. A notation of (MWM-W) indicates that the event will take place in Virginia, west of the Beltway. (NM) indicates a Non-Mensa sponsored event.

NOTE: In the event there are last-minute changes, deletions or additions to the calendar, updates may be found at the mwm_calendar group of yahoo groups. http://groups.yahoo.com/group/mwm_calendar/

FRIDAY, MAY 2 – SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2008
(No other events scheduled this weekend)

Friday - Sunday EARLY CINCO DE MAYO RG

It's not too late to register for this year's Early Cinco de Mayo, May Madness with Mensa Regional Gathering. You can register through the mail until April 30, or just come out to Gaithersburg and register at the door. (see www.mwm.org for registration form and a list of programs) Still wondering what a Regional Gathering is? Imagine a party that runs nonstop for nearly 48 hours--a party with a heated swimming pool; a hot tub; 'round-the-clock food and drink; all the chocolate you could ever want; a room filled with games of chance and skill; a banquet; endless munchies, beer, wine, and soft drinks; and those crazy conversations you can only have late at night. Want to satisfy your intellectual curiosity too? Then imagine lectures and programs on everything from romantic relationships to human intelligence; from personality theory to the Theory of Everything. Best of all, these courses are not required! YOU get to choose your pleasures. That's one heck of an RG – and we have it right here in MWM territory!

MONDAY, MAY 5, 2008

4:45 PM Gifted Kids Eat Raw Fish

Would you and your gifted child like to try sushi without dropping a wad of money on something he might not eat? En Asian Bistro and Sushi Bar, at 19833 Century Blvd, Germantown, MD 20874, has a Monday night special, with selected sushi items for only \$1 each. I've eaten there, and their sushi is top-notch. Dinner with the \$1 specials starts at 5 pm, but the manager has agreed to let our Mensa group in at 4:45, so we can try the sushi experience before the very small restaurant gets very crowded. Other Japanese food is also available, as is higher-priced sushi. There is a menu, reviews, and directions, at <http://www.enbistro.com>

There is limited on-street parking, but there's a large Safeway parking lot on block away, at the intersection of Century Boulevard and Middlebrook Road. Children don't have to be Mensa members to eat sushi with us. I believe that all kids are gifted. Please join us for a new and fun experience. There is no upper or lower age limit for this activity. NOTE: Gifted Kids activities are not childcare opportunities. Children must be accompanied by an adult or responsible teen.

7 PM YSM Jazz Jam

YSM continues our jazz month celebration with a performance by King James and the Serfs of Swing at Blues Alley (1073 Wisconsin Ave, NW). Come see some of the best young jazz musicians in DC. Tickets at Blues Alley in advance or at the door. Please contact Catherine.

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008

6 PM Pizza SIG & Vicious Rumor SIG

Kevin McCall invites all to share pizza, sodas, beer, and the check at Joe's Pizza and Pasta, 5555 Lee Highway in Arlington, VA. (There is also a full buffet for those who eschew pizza.) Pizza SIG is sharing its space and membership with a new SIG: Vicious Rumor SIG. Bring an anecdote or two about your fellow M's. If you're not there, the anecdotes could be about you!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2008

Noon **Suitland Lunch Bunch**

Contact Paul Bethe for the location in or near Suitland, MD.

6:30–10 PM **Games Night**

Potomac Community Center, 11315 Falls Rd., Potomac, MD (240-777-6960). Take I-270 exit for Montrose west, go left on Falls Rd, PCC is on left after about 1.4 miles. Ask for "Board Games" at front desk. \$2 toward room rental. Non-members welcome. Contact Perry Farrar. (Theme on second Wednesday.)

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2008

6:30 PM **Harford County Camaraderie (MM)**

Link up with northern Maryland's Mensans for dinner and friendly, thought-provoking conversation at the Grand Buffet in the Festival at Bel Air mall, Bel Air, MD (MD Route 24 and Bel Air South Parkway). The menu features oriental and other foods, all at reasonable prices. Just as in Frederick, no reservation needed: simply ask for Mensa—the manager and natives are friendly. Please contact Barry Williams for more information.

7 PM **ExComm Meeting**

MWM's governing body meets at Amphora in Vienna. (Please contact Herb Guggenheim for directions.) All members of Mensa are welcome. Contact LocSec Herb Guggenheim before the meeting if you wish to put an item on the agenda. See CAPM page 2 for contact information.

7:30 PM **South Mountain/Western Maryland Mensa (MM)**

Join Mensans from western Maryland and West Virginia, or ones who wish they were, at the Pizza Hut on U.S. Route 40 on the west side of Frederick, MD (1220 West Patrick Street; 301-695-0100). No reservation needed: just ask for Mensa—the manager and natives are friendly. We're usually in the party room in the back, and we usually order pizzas to share from the menu. Cost for the evening will be in the \$6 to \$8 range. For directions and answers to Mensa-at-Pizza Hut questions, please contact Bill or Jan Todd.

FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2008

6:30 PM **First ~~Second~~ Friday Film Fun (MM)**

Come to the Charles Theater, the 60-year-old Baltimore icon at 1711 North Charles Street (near the intersection with Lanvale Street), to choose and watch a distinctive film with other Mensans. Afterwards, we'll go to a nearby restaurant or coffee shop and share our thoughts about what we just saw. Please tell Mary Sherry if you plan to go. {*We're making a one-week shift in First Friday Film Fun for May only, to avoid overlapping the RG.*}

7 PM **Friday Night Salon**

Enjoy stimulating conversation, as well as the best in French country cuisine at La Madeleine Cafe, 7607 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814, at the corner of Old Georgetown & Commerce and just one block from the Bethesda Metro stop on the Metro red line. Park in La Madeleine's own parking lot, on the street, or in the newly renovated (and inexpensive) public garage on Woodmont Ave. Our format: We begin with casual conversation. After about an hour, we segue into a question-and-answer period. Each participant writes down a question he or she wants the whole group to address; this guarantees that people get a chance to talk about something they're interested in. Questions are submitted anonymously, then read aloud. No pressure – just fun – and being on time is not a requirement! If you have questions, please call Herb Guggenheim. This event is wheelchair-accessible.

7 PM **YSM Wine Dinner**

YSM will attend a wine tasting and dinner at Olives (16th and K Sts., NW). Please contact Catherine.

7:30 PM **DC Happy Hour**

This long-running weekly get-together convenes at Zorba's Cafe, www.zorbascave.com, 1612 20th St., NW, just north of Dupont Circle in Washington, DC. Contact Stefan Patejak for information.

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2008

Noon Brunch in Northern Virginia

At the Matsutake Restaurant, 4121 Wilson Boulevard in Arlington across from Ballston Mall. Sushi and other Japanese buffet for \$12.95. Free garage parking on N. Stuart with validation. Parking at Ballston Mall for \$1. RSVP to Rose Chu by Sat May 10th 11am.

12:30 PM BLAMs Go Shooting

(Blazing Lightly Armed Mensans) Target shooting at the NRA's state-of-the-art range, held monthly on the second Saturday. Women, men, novices, first timers, liberals, conservatives, young, old and experienced shooters attend this event. 5-7 Mensans and their guests usually attend, but often more. For many this is their only Mensa activity. Gun ownership not required, nor is NRA membership. Noobies should arrive at noon for their safety orientation, and can expect training on a variety of rifles and pistols. The range staff knows us well, so tell them you're with Mensa when checking in. Wheelchair accessible. Free garage parking. Metro pickup available (Vienna Station). RSVP helpful. Lunch afterward to shoot the manure. Contact Adam Beslove. NRA HQ 11250 Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax, VA 22030.

1 PM Cheap Shows

Meet Ken Kaufman and JJ Armour for a movie at a Metro-accessible theater followed by a late lunch. Call on Friday night or Saturday morning for the show and location.

2 PM Parapsychology SIG

Phone Stanley Korn or use your ESP to reserve by preceding Thursday.

2 PM Frederick Games (MM)

Every second and third Saturday starting at 2pm and ending whenever folks want to leave, we play board, card, and strategy games, including but not limited to *Boggle*, *Jokers & Pegs*, *Scrabble*, *Spades*, and *Upwords*. A core group of six people attends most sessions. We are actively looking for new players, and you need not attend all or even most sessions to join us. You're invited to bring a game to teach the rest of the group if you wish (though the hostess tends to dislike war and fantasy role-playing games and points out that there are plenty of other venues for those). Free non-alcoholic drinks are served, and you're welcome to bring munchies to share if you care to. For more information, including directions if you decide you're interested in attending, please contact Cynthia.

7 PM SIGSIG (Saturday/Sunday Indoor Games SIG) (MM)

Ah, the merry month of May! Warm weather, blooming flowers, high school proms, and SIGSIG too! Elaine Tocco is our gracious springtime host at her Columbia home, where we'll have a fully blown case of spring gaming fever! Games, snacks, conversation, it's all there! {*We're working on the door prizes.*} Bring your own favorite games and snacks and join the fun. Call Elaine so she knows who is coming. So come what may, be there!

8 PM SATURDAY NIGHT PARTY

AN MWM TRADITION RETURNS! Come one; come all to another Saturday Night Party. Haven't been to an event in awhile? Come on out and mingle! New member trying to find your way around MWM? Welcome! Here's your opportunity to meet other Mensans! We've been having great turnouts in recent months, so don't miss your opportunity to see old friends and meet new ones. Tonight's party will have a music theme. Bring your favorite CDs and dance the night away in the Chastleton's beautiful ballroom, courtesy of Barbara Glick. For more information, please email Barbara Glick. Light fare, beer, and wine will be available. \$5 standard contribution. (NOTE: If you're a new member, you can redeem your Mensabux Coupon for free admission.)

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2008

11 AM Columbia Sunday Brunch (MM)

Enjoy brunch with Mensans in the Holiday Inn Columbia (7900 Washington Boulevard [U.S. Route 1 at its intersection with MD Route 175] in Jessup). The hotel's restaurant offers a brunch buffet with made-to-order omelets and waffles; \$13 covers buffet, beverages, tax, and tip. Please contact Dottie Kuhlman or Cindy Zelkowitz for more information or directions; or just meet us in the hotel lobby at 11.

TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008

6:30-8 PM World Affairs Discussion Group

Have you traveled overseas, or would you like to? Were you born in another country, or do you know people who were? Or, do you just like to read a lot? If you would like to tell us what you know or simply listen to others. We will meet in the Delhi Club restaurant, at 1135 North Highland Street in Clarendon, Virginia. The Delhi Club is across the street from the Clarendon Metro station -- in fact, you can see it from the front door of the station. Please feel free to call Dan Willmore if you have any questions, or go to <http://www.willmore.net/world/>, where you can find a list of topics and selected readings.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2008

Noon **Rockville Lunch Bunch**

Meet at El Mariachi in the Ritchie Center in Rockville, MD. Their phone number is 301-770-5020. Call Jewell Golden by COB Tuesday to reserve your place.

6:30–10 PM **Games Night**

See First Wednesday entry for details. Theme: Unified.

7:30 PM **Chinese Restaurant Odyssey**

To learn the location and to reserve your place (required!), call Gail Korb or Greg Key by Monday.

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2008

Noon **Silver Spring Lunch Bunch**

This lunch bunch, in the heart of the new downtown in Silver Spring, MD, is hosted by Scott Shaffer (alumnus of Asilomar). Lunch will be at the Lebanese Taverna, 933 Ellsworth Dr., Silver Spring, MD. Call 301-588-1192 or check their website http://www.lebanesetaverna.com/cafes/silver_spring for information and directions. Call Scott for reservations. There is no parking on Ellsworth, but the Wayne Ave. garage is open and next to the new downtown area.

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2008

6:30 PM **Early Zorba's**

LAST OF THE SEASON! Catch an on street parking spot as such open up at 6:30PM and are quickly taken. Then come to Zorba's (see below) for an early good chicken dinner or whatever. Say 'Hi!' to the regular 'DC Happy Hour' MWM crowd and then at 8PM walk about 1 1/2 blocks to the Cosmos Club, 2170 Florida Avenue NW for the free 8:30 PM meeting of the Washington Philosophical Soc. with refreshments afterwards. Tonight we'll hear the 77th Joseph Henry Lecture: "Arsenic in Ground Water: Aquatic Chemistry and Mitigation through a Sustainable Filtration Technology" by Abul Hussam from the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, George Mason University. For talk abstract go to <http://www.philsoc.org/>. For further info, call Rebecca Prather.

7 PM **Friday Night Salon**

See First Friday entry for details.

7 PM **Meeting of the Minds**

A lively open forum for the exchange of ideas, opinions, and sentiments of all stripes, colors, and flavors. We promise eclectic ideas, a laid-back attitude, and a curious mindset. We'll meet at the Friendship Heights Boeeymonger's, 5252 Wisconsin Ave., 202-686-5805, a half block from the Friendship Heights Metro Station. Plenty of parking in nearby parking garages, and freshly made sandwiches, soups, and salads within. Beer and wine available, as well as a variety of unusual sodas. Boeey's is open until 1 a.m. on Friday nights, so come early, stay late, or meet in the middle. Wheelchair accessible. No reservations required. For more information, contact Stephanie Smilay.

7:30 PM **DC Happy Hour**

See First Friday entry for details.

7:30 PM **Maryland Mensa Monthly Meeting (MM)**

Our northern neighbors meet each month on the near side of Baltimore. You're invited to join them at the Stillmeadow Church near Catonsville, 1.2 miles inside the Baltimore beltway at 5110 Frederick Road (MD 144; exit 13 east off I-695, toward Irvington—the church is on the left-hand side). May's speaker hasn't yet been identified, but his or her name and topic will be posted in the calendar on MM's website (www.maryland.us.mensa.org) as soon as they're known. To learn more about Maryland Mensa's monthly meetings in general, contact MM Programs Officer Jean O'Donnell.

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2008

1- Late PM **Northern Virginia Board Games**

A monthly gaming group which meets in Northern VA and alternates between two homes. Always the third Sat. of each month from 1:00 till late evening. This game night is not limited only to members of Mensa. We mostly play board games such as Princes of Florence, Lowenherz, Settlers of Catan, Carcassonne, Puerto Rico, lots of other Euro-type games, RoboRally, a couple of "train games" of various lengths; and also occasionally word games, family games, or party games. We generally have between 8 and 15 people. It's a lot of affable quiet guys, a few women, and sometimes a couple of older kids who like games too. We split into groups as the number grows, according to what people want to

play. People in this group are not fiercely competitive, will teach you games, and will even help you out during play if you want. We often discuss strategy during play and sometimes people will even point out a better play to someone and let them start over if they want. There is of course no charge for this group, and it's come and go as you please. You don't have to bring any snacks unless you want to; we usually order pizza around 6:00. If you think you might be interested, please e-mail me at my work e-mail, as I don't check my personal e-mail every day. Contact: Karen Williams.

2 PM Mature Mensans (MM)

Mature Mensans of any age, but particularly those already enjoying or eligible for retirement, are invited to join host Eric McKeever in comparing notes over lunch at Pebbles Pub, 7165 Security Boulevard in Woodlawn, MD (at the intersection of Security and Rolling Road; 410-265-7878). The pub menu offers a broad selection of entrées, ranging from deli sandwiches through subs, pizza, chicken, beef, crab cakes, and broiled salmon. Please contact Eric for more information, or just to tell him you plan to come (so he'll know how many places to hold at the table).

2 PM Frederick Games (MM)

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3 PM Mensans Visit the Artomatic

Spring is here and art is in the city! Artomatic (<http://www.artomatic.org/>), an annual free event showcasing artists in and around Washington, is coming to Capitol Plaza I in NE Washington. Not only will you have a chance to see the winners from the Washington Post now-annual Peeps diorama contest, but you will also see art produced by some of MWM's own. We'll meet outside the New York Avenue Metro Station on the Red Line at 3 p.m., then walk the one block to Artomatic. After we've spent a few hours viewing art, we'll meet up with MWM's Chuck Divine, who is exhibiting some of his fantastic (in both senses) photographic art at Artomatic. Around 6 p.m., we'll take the Red Line one stop to Union Station, where there are a large number of eateries to choose from. Burgers and beer, anyone? For more information, contact Stephanie Smilay.

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2008

2 PM Gen Y SIG

FREE PIZZA! Were you born between 1980 and 1992? If so, then you're a member of Generation Y. Want to meet other Mensans your age? Mark your calendar and come to a meeting of MWM's Gen Y SIG to find out who else is out there. Prospective members and guests are welcome. We'll meet at Potomac Pizza across from the Friendship Heights Metro station (Red Line), 19 Wisconsin Circle, Chevy Chase, MD, 301-951-1127. Contact Herb Guggenheim or Leslie Carroll for more information.

6 PM Gourmensans

Indulge your inner carnivore at Ben's Chili Bowl, 1213 U St NW. Ben's has been serving hot dogs, halfsmokes, and their world-famous chili at the same address since 1958. Ben's is located directly across the street from the U Street/Cardozo Metro station on the Green Line (when exiting the station, use the 13th and U exit).

6 PM Bridge SIG

Come to the home of Ron Segal and Beverly Dickerson in Oakton for friendly party bridge. \$5 standard contribution includes delicious dinner refreshments (i.e., real food), and all bridge tolls (pun intended) from MD or DC will be cheerfully refunded! We welcome all players and will try to find you a partner if needed. N/S. For other questions about this group, contact BridgeSig coordinator Sheldon Hofferman.

MONDAY, MAY 19, 2008

7:30 PM Investment & Speculation SIG

If you're so smart, how come you aren't rich? Bring a \$1 contribution to Ben Perchik's house in Reston, VA to learn how. Call Ben at for directions. Please call to confirm this event is taking place.

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2008

6:30 PM Annapolis Gourmets (MM)

May AGs are gathering at a restaurant they've not previously visited: 4 Seasons Grille, at 2630 Chapel Lake Drive in Gambrills, MD (in the Waugh Chapel Shopping Center, at the intersection of Waugh Chapel Road and MD Route 3; 410-451-5141, www.4seasonsgrille.com). The Grille's website characterizes the restaurant's internal motif as an "eclectic fusion of Mediterranean and American cuisine in a casual, inviting and affordable environment"; and notes that "From the moment you step inside, you will be mentally and delectably transported to your favorite spot on the Mediterranean". So if you're ready to beam to the rim of the Med—even if only (or perhaps *especially*) 'mentally and delectably'—please join us in this new adventure. Make your reservation without fail with Emily Joyce by Sunday the 18th.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2008

6:30 PM **Science SIG**

Meet Michael Hendrickson in the Food Court in the Ballston Common Mall in Arlington, VA for dinner and to discuss the latest science news and issues. Look for a Mensa sign and a Cap-M on the table.

6:30–10PM **Games Night**

See First Wednesday entry for details.

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2008

7 PM **Friday Night Salon**

See First Friday entry for details.

7:30 PM **DC Happy Hour**

See First Friday entry for details.

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2008

1 PM **Innovation: 2% for 100%**

Innovation melds the word "vita" ("life" in Latin) with "innovation". Our mission is to harness the independent and creative thinking to effect positive difference in the world. We believe in the we-centric instead of me-centric philosophy. We meet to have stimulating discussion about issues facing our communities and our world; to create or adopt innovative solutions to improve living and lives. All topics, ideas and discussion styles are welcome. We encourage diversity of opinion. All we ask is: respect others and don't violate the law. We will meet at Clarendon Barnes and Noble (703-248-8244; close to Clarendon Metro). Please contact Ravi Bansal to confirm the location.

7 PM **Listeners of Classical Music**

Join the Listeners of Classical Music for quiet conversation, a friendly atmosphere, snacks & pizza to share, and classical music. This month's theme is: "Music for a Garden" Bring records or CDs to share. BYOB. No donations, but you should bring a few dollars for optional pizza. LCM is located in Falls Church near Hwy 50 and the Beltway in Virginia. Call Ken Zabielski for directions and information.

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2008

11AM-2 PM **Brunswick Brunch**

New Recurring Event last Sunday of the month! Hosted by Katherine DeWitt. COME OUT TO THE COUNTRY for Brunch at Beans in the Belfry, a trendy (believe it or not) café in the historic and photogenic town of Brunswick, Maryland. Enjoy a nice brunch menu with quiet jazz. Noise level does not inhibit conversation. Child-friendly with children's menu, dress-up trunk, dollhouse, kids' books and more on premises. For sample menus, directions, and a schedule of jazz artists, go to www.beansinthebelfry.com. Please e-mail me BY 10:00 AM THE SAME DAY you plan to attend so that I can give the café an approximate head count. No phone calls, please. You'll have time to get to the New Members Open House (about an hour away) or MAKE IT A FULL DAY and go on to the gift shops and antique shops in town or in Frederick, visit the Railroad Museum (www.brrm.net), the rail yards and the exterior of the historic train station – or go on the Harpers Ferry 15 minutes away, or Antietam battlefield a little farther, or Monocacy Battlefield in the other direction. For more, see the web site www.hallowedground.org. There are several wineries in Virginia and Frederick County, and a number of other great spots! There are even rafting and innertubing on the Potomac (www.rivertrail.com), and great fishing.

11:30 AM **Sunday Chinese Brunch**

Join Ruth Silverman for a Chinese buffet at Best City Buffet across the street from the White Oak Shopping Center at 11305 Lockwood Drive in Silver Spring. The buffet is about \$10. Please reserve before 9 PM yesterday (Saturday) by calling.

2-5 PM New Members Open House

NEW MEMBERS BEGIN READING HERE: Are you a new member of Metropolitan Washington Mensa? If so, those of us who've been here for a while want to meet you and welcome you to the organization. A lot of new members are mystified when they look at all the activities in the monthly calendar. They don't know which activity to attend first. We're suggesting that the New Members Open House (NMOH) is a good place to begin. The NMOH is a long-running tradition in MWM and it's the closest thing we have to a monthly general meeting so you'll see many long-time members as well as a small group of new ones. The NMOH is a casual activity, featuring light food, soft drinks, beer, and wine. There's no program per se; you just come, chat, and socialize with other Mensans. The NMOH is easy, casual, and fun.

LONG-TIME MEMBERS BEGIN READING HERE: This month's NMOH will be held at the home of Ruth Rochel Stokes. PLEASE DO NOT CALL BETWEEN 5:00PM FRIDAY AND 7:00PM SATURDAY. Smoking outside only. There are two rabbits and a guinea pig on the premises. Please do not bring in any outside food or drink. On street parking. N/S. \$5 standard contribution. (NOTE: If you're a new member, you can redeem your Mensabux Coupon for free admission.)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2008

6:30-10 PM Games Night

See First Wednesday entry for details.

THURSDAY, MAY 29

7:00 PM Eastern Shore Get-together (MM)

Curious about life in the land of pleasant living between the Chesapeake and Ocean City? Learn more about it with resident Mensans at Vinnie's LaRoma Ristorante, 934 South Salisbury Boulevard in Salisbury, MD (one block north of Salisbury University on Route 13). No reservation required. Please contact Steve McCoy for directions or other information.

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2008

7 PM Friday Night Salon

See First Friday entry for details.

7 PM Meeting of the Minds

See May 16 entry for details.

7:30 PM DC Happy Hour

See First Friday entry for details.

**7:30 PM Northern Area Friday after Work
Cards and Games Night (MM)**

What a perfect way to end your work week—going to Gary and Sheila's home on the north side of Baltimore for an evening of playing cards (games such as Hearts, Oh Hell, *etc.*) and board games (such as Taboo, Time's Up, trivia games, *etc.*). If you can't make it at 7:30, that's OK—you can come later (the games should be going on for hours). Also, you don't have to be in the northern area—all are welcome (even y'all from down South!). Please let Gary and Sheila know you'll be there. Note: Sheila and Gary have three cats in their home.

NEXT MONTH: PREVIEW

SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008, 7 PM

Saturday Night Party hosted by Joel and Teresa Kaplan in Alexandria, VA

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2-5 PM

New Members Open House at Janet Roder's home in Silver Spring, MD