

OCTOBER MG Halloween party!

The October MG will again be our ever popular Halloween costume party. Joe Turlo will host this year at his haunted residence in Norfolk. The date is Saturday October 28th, and the time is 7:30pm. Directions are posted on the next-to-last page of this edition.

We will have a cash prize for the best costume or couple-costume, and there will be lots of pranks and surprises in store for those hardy souls who dare to venture to this morbid gathering. Even if you don't want to dress up, come on out and see what creative minds your fellow Mensans have with their over-the-top costumes.

Bring a side dish to share, such as blood pudding or finger foods: our host will provide ice for severed limbs, mixers, cups and cauldrons, and maybe Bloody-Marys. Of course, spouses and fiends, er friends are always welcome. First timers are especially encouraged to attend, it's time we had a little "new blood" in the chapter.

Steve Toth

Activities director

Tidewater Mensa regrets to announce the passing of Mensa Life Member Philip J. May on August 20, 2017. He implemented a robotics program with students at Phoebus High School, and he spoke about that program at several Tidewater Mensa events. Phil retired from the U.S. Navy as a Chief Warrant Officer.

The following is from one of our scholarship recipients:

Dear Scholarship Committee,

I am writing to thank you for your generous \$500 Grosswirth-Salny scholarship. This scholarship gives me the opportunity to further my academic career and to help others in my future. I will remember your kindness and generosity as I move forward in my life, and I hope to one day follow the example you've set and help students like me.

Sincerely,

Taylor Foreman

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Author is M Bruce Deitrick Price.

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