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471 N. Woodsmill Road

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\$6 for the family

WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

The fun and frolic is over. There is nothing left but the shouting. Another Expo has come and gone, and we move on to the next event. So how was the show? Those members who were able to attend can give us their opinion on the main event for the year. I hope that they share their thoughts and the fun that they had at the show. I thought the show went off very well and it seemed like everyone was enjoying themselves. The key to the success of the show is the attendance and then what did those who attended think about how everything went. The few people I talked to, dealers and attendees alike, all had positive comments. I don't have the final count of paid attendees, but I know that over 525 paid to walk through the door. I think when the final count comes in the show attendance this year will be about the same as last year plus or minus a few. I also want to thank those who volunteered their time to help with the various things needed to set up, run, and take down the show. Shows of this magnitude don't run themselves. It takes people to make it happen and without our volunteers the show would soon fall apart. I especially want to thank Bob Mahoney for running the youth room this year. He was there from start to finish. I also want to thank Gary Hendren again for handling the bourse and dealers from start to finish.

MARCH MEETING

Ed Bayham is presenting the program this month on China Treaty Ports. Sounds interesting. We'll also have an auction this month.

2018 SCHEDULE

April.....Stanislaw Part 2.....Jerry Schultz
May.....Roses Part 2.....Phil Schorr
June.....TBD.....Tom Minor
July.....TBD.....Nathan Esbeck
August.....TBD.....TBD
September..Hands-On Program..Katrina Whitaker
October.....Philatelic Jeopardy.....Guy Gasser
November.....Annual Auction Bux Auction
December.....Annual Christmas Party

BREAKFAST CLUB MEETING

The Breakfast group meets the second Monday of the month. The next meeting is **April 9** at **Hilary's Roadhouse**, 11488 Dorsett Road in Maryland Heights near the intersection with Fee Fee Road at **8:30 AM**. The Breakfast group meets year round.



The end of Expo signals the start for planning for the club's next big event, Stampfest. Stampfest this year will be August 18th and 19th, and once again at Parkway Central High School. Please mark your calendars now. While it seems as though August is still a long way off, it really is not. It might be 5 months from now, but that is only five club meetings to get everything organized, planned, and all the behind the scenes activities done. So once again I will be asking for volunteers to step up and

help out with all that needs to be done. Details will follow, but I think that for those who have been in the club for more than a year have an idea already on what the club needs to do in order to make sure that Stampfest continues to grow and is a continued success.

A reminder that this month's meeting is the last opportunity to turn in ballots for the proposed by-laws changes. Ballots received after next Monday will be null and void.

It's time to say thank you and good bye to our long time club member and Secretary, David Marsh. This month's meeting will be his last as he and his wife are moving to WI at the end of the month. David has been a dedicated and loyal club member from day one. He has volunteered to help in probably every activity the club has held or participated in since he joined in 2009. He has been the secretary for the past 2 plus years and he is responsible for the successful concession stand at Stampfest the past 2 or 3 years. He has made my job as President much easier knowing that I could count on him to get things done and done well. Well done, Dave, and thank you. I speak for the club and myself when we say that you will be missed. Good luck in your new home, be safe, and God speed!

I have a family situation that I have to take care of, which will take me to Montana for several days. Therefore, I will not be able to attend this month's meeting. Have fun and I will see everyone next month. Oh, where oh where have the VP and Secretary gone? Oh where oh where can they be? Hey, I know you are out there somewhere!

Guy

Did you know: The Linn's stamp popularity poll actually started 70 years ago in 1948.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Newsletters and meeting minutes are posted on the website below.

If your Perf-Dispatch fails to arrive in a timely manner, pick up the newsletter from the web so you do not miss the meeting. If you move, please let the Secretary know immediately; it takes USPS a couple months to send us a correction notice.

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IN MEMORIAM

David Kols passed away on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018, after a long and hard fought battle with cancer. David had been a member of GMCSA since 2016, and a longtime member of Webster Groves Stamp Club. He also belonged to several other philatelic organizations. He will most be remembered as President of Regency-Superior Auctions.

David had been a contributing individual in many philatelic activities for over 30 years. It was David whose vision and tenacity started the St. Louis Stamp Expo in the 1990s, a show that over the years has grown to be one of the best shows in the United States. His love for philately and all he did for the hobby will be missed by many, if not all. Rest in peace, David, and enjoy the wonders of stamp collecting upon high.

SHOWS

Gene Stewart has a bourse the 2nd Saturday of each month from **9AM to 3PM**. It is now located at Holiday Inn South County on the northeast corner of I-55 and Lindbergh, behind The Mattress Firm. Don't miss out.

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2018 DUES

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