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GREATER MOUND CITY STAMP CLUB

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Where Parkway Central Middle School
East side of the building
471 N. Woodsmill Road

**Tropicana Lanes – see info
on back – June & July**

When 4th Monday each month at 7:30
PM

Membership \$5 for Regular members
\$6 for the family

JULY MEETING

This month we will be preparing all the show announcements for StampFest. Come prepared to fold, stuff, seal and stamp. This is one of the most important fund raisers we have, and the more help we have the faster we can get it done.

2019 SCHEDULE

August.....Poland 1946 Air Mail...Bob Ogradnick
September....FDC Artist.....Pat Morgan
October.....Philatelic Jeopardy.....Guy Gasser
November...Auction Bux Auction.....Guy Gasser
December.....Annual Christmas Party/Dinner

BREAKFAST CLUB MEETING

The Breakfast group meets the second Monday of the month. The next meeting is **August 12** at the **new spot**, the **Olive Street Café**, 12710 Olive Blvd., at **8:30 AM**. The Breakfast group meets year round.



WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

Hello everyone! The dog days of summer have arrived. The weather has heated up and with that so do the activities of the club.

First off, please take note of the enclosure with this edition of the newsletter. It is an important recommended change to the by-laws of the club. I ask that everyone reads it carefully, and then provide any input as one thinks is necessary. Members will have until the close of the club meeting in August to submit comments and recommendations. Voting on this change will be by ballot and scheduled to take place at the membership meeting in September unless otherwise changed.

This will be the last meeting before StampFest; therefore, it's time to finalize the events for the show, get volunteers, and identify anything missed. Hopefully, there won't be anything missed. Tom will be asking for volunteers once again to support the show. Please sign up for something. A good note, so far we have 15 dealers signed up to do our show. Tom is still seeking the decisions of five others so it's possible we may end up with more than 15 providing no one drops at the last minute.

StampFest also means our annual post show dinner for club members and dealers. I remind everyone that this is a club dinner open to any club member and their family. This is a pot luck affair with the club providing the BBQ and fried chicken. Please plan on attending. This is a great time to socialize with fellow club members, family members, and the dealers who are supporting our show. The price of admission is to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert.

The program for this month's meeting will be a busy hands-on program. This is the month that we mail out the notices and letters for StampFest. As those

who have participated in this endeavor in the past know, it takes a lot of hands helping out to make this happen in a timely fashion. I ask that everyone who can make this meeting to please do. The more that show up, the faster we can get this done. Come prepared to lick'em and stick'em!

This month is also auction month, and yes there will be an auction. Anyone who has some items they want to sell, bring them in and let's see if we can find them a new home. The request for some higher cost items still remains; therefore, anyone who has some higher priced stamps, covers, or other philatelic treasures they wish to move, bring them too and we'll see what happens.

The club needs to find a new home; a new meeting place. As Ed informed everyone who was in attendance last month, and for those who were not, the Parkway school district is raising their rental fees. The head of facilities management for the district informed me that the usage fees for all non-district organizations, groups, etc. are going up August 1st. The rental price for the meeting room is increasing from \$34 a night to \$61 a night, which is almost double. The club simply cannot afford that.

The club officers have been searching for a new home without much success. Gary talked to the church across the street, and they have a vestibule they would let us use for \$40 a night. That might work, at least on a temporary basis until we find something else. It's clear that the club needs a dedicated person(s) to take this on to find us a place. Therefore, I am going to appoint a relocation committee to do just that. I will be asking for volunteers this month to take on this task for the club. Please consider volunteering.

A reminder here as well as elsewhere in this edition of the newsletter that this month's meeting will be at Tropicana Lanes. Phil will have the address listed. We have the upstairs meeting room located toward the back of the bowling alley. Upon entry, just walk to the right side of the center, go past the control desk and the restrooms, and the room is on the left.

My foray to Stamp Camp is over. It was a lot of fun and I highly recommend it for everyone. I look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting. Out!

Guy

Did you know: The 1903 2 cent shield stamp with Washington's portrait, Scott #319, was the impetus for the Washington Franklin series.

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.

JUNE AND JULY

Don't forget! During June and July we can't meet at the school since it is closed for summer vacation. We will instead meet at Tropicana Lanes, as in past summers.

Tropicana Lanes are located at **7960 Clayton Rd, St Louis, MO 63117**. Coming from West County on I-64, exit at Brentwood/Hanley. Go left (or north) on So. Brentwood Blvd about 1/2 mile to Clayton Road. Turn right onto Clayton. Once you go under the I-170 overpass you should see the sign for Tropicana on your right. We are in the meeting room at the back of the main floor.

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