



PERF-DISPATCH
GREATER MOUND CITY STAMP CLUB

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Where Parkway Central High School
 South end of the building
 369 N. Woodsmill Road

When 4th Monday each month at **7:30 PM**

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

Membership year runs January to December

WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and the new year is still happy. I also want to welcome our new Secretary, Dave Marsh, and our new newsletter editor, Phil Schorr, and say thank you to Alan Barash for all he has done for GMCSG during his long tenure as secretary and newsletter editor. Well done! As this new year dawns, and since there is no newsletter in December, I want to take this month's column to look at what we accomplished against our goals last year, and look at where we are going this year. I guess one could call this a State of the Club address.

My first column last year laid out my goals for the GMCSG for 2015. Does anyone remember what they are? Some may, but most probably not. After all, it has been a yearlong process and it's not like nothing took place during the year. So let's recap. Membership, attendance, and participation were the three areas I laid out goals for the club.

I challenged everyone to recruit one new member to the club and set the goal at 15 new members. The club fostered six new members last year; a good effort, but a little short of the goal. Fifteen may be a lofty goal, and I think it is doable, but maybe it was a little of a reach for the first year. I still challenge everyone to recruit one new member, and set our goal at ten new members this year. This is a little easier, but still a challenge that is achievable.

The second goal was to increase attendance at club meetings and activities through more varied activities across the board. I think we did a pretty good job of doing that, but club attendance has been down over the past year as well as attendance at activities outside of club meetings. I'm not sure why this has happened. I could use some feedback in this area. What will entice more to attend club meetings and other activities? The main reason to join a club is to participate and enjoy the social aspects as well as the philatelic aspects one receives through attendance. Let's attend.

WINTER MEETINGS

The program in January is "**The Picture Is The Same**", by Alan Barasch. This will be a review of some joint issues from around the world. There will also be an auction during this meeting.

Alex Haimann, current APS Vice President, will present the February program on "**Some February Philately – a Fun Postal History Presentation.**"

2015 SCHEDULE

January 25..... Regular Meeting
 February 9..... Breakfast Club
 February 22.....Regular Meeting
 March 8 Breakfast Club

BREAKFAST CLUB MEETING

The Breakfast group meets the second Monday of the month. The next meeting is **February 9th** 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.



SHOWS

Gene Stewart has a bourse the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Stratford Inn from **10AM to 4PM** across from the former site of the Chrysler Plant in Fenton.

I asked that everyone give something of their time and talents to support the club during the year. I think that you all did a great job in this regard. While there were a couple areas that we could still use a little more help, and a few more who could step up, by and large we had a lot of people step up and volunteer for everything from giving presentations to helping with the various tasks and activities required to support shows, club activities, and other sundry items throughout the year. This year, I ask that everyone keep it up, and those who weren't able to participate for whatever reason to find the time to do so this year.

Next month I'll cover what the club accomplished last year. Now let's do it all again, build on our successes, improve where needed, and most of all have fun along the way!

Guy

EDITOR'S NOTES

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THIS MONTH

2016 Membership Dues – By now everyone should have received the reminder we mailed in late December and most have probably already mailed their dues checks to Gary's address in Maryland Heights. Those who have not yet mailed their 2016 dues should send your check to our new Secretary at:

GMC Stamp Club
215 Spring Oaks Drive
Ballwin, MO 63011-3835

This is a good time for any of you to provide the Secretary with your current email address and your preferred phone number so our roster is accurate and enables us to reach you other than through the US Mail.

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