



PERF-DISPATCH

GREATER MOUND CITY STAMP CLUB

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

When 4th Monday each month at 7:30 PM

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

WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

Greetings everyone! The dog days of summer continue. And it's all over but the shout'n. Stampfest that is. I think that the show turned out just fine given that the show had but ten dealers. Everything ran smoothly from the outside looking in and that's the important part.

I need to start off this month with thanking all of those who volunteered their time to make StampFest happen, and happen well. A special thank you to Tom Minor, show chairman, who also acted as bourse chairman, and facilitator of the concession stand. He took on a huge role and made it all happen. Thank you, Tom! I also want to thank Ed Bayham for stepping in to get the concession stand up and running, and Frank Kollinger who pitched in more than a helping hand. A big thank you to Jerry Schultz for running the auction from set up to final accounting of the lots sold, and Dan Baugher for keeping track of the brisk sales activity that took place. I also thank Pat and Lesa Morgan for taking care of the pot luck dinner for everyone after the show Saturday night. Those that didn't stay for it missed a good one. And last, but not least, a big thank you to those who helped with the setup, tear down, manning the entrance table, and working in the snack bar. It took the concerted effort of all to make the show happen successfully.

AUGUST MEETING

Nathan Esbeck is going to take us to the cool Antarctic in our August program. Cool sounds pretty good right about now. This program was postponed from last month due to preparing the StampFest announcements for mailing. The Show and Tell program will be rescheduled for later.

2018 SCHEDULE

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 **September 10 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.



This year 160 attended the show, which is down by seven over last year although I can't for certain account for last year's number. Breaking down the numbers, 35 attended the show for the first time and 132 attended one day while 28 attended both days. Thirty-one of the club's 60 members attended the show either as a helper, shopper, dealer, or some combination of the three. While it would have been great if all club members attended, that is a most difficult quest.

Did the show make any money? I don't know yet as not all of the expenses have been paid yet, but I'm cautiously optimistic. I'll know that answer at next month's meeting. I can tell everyone that the club did well on income outside of the dealer table fees. The club made \$353 in the auction, which brought in over \$2,000 in sales! This is the most the club has made as far back as I can remember. The 5 cent box brought in around another \$400, also a record I think, and the concession stand about \$270 gross sales.

Now that StampFest is behind us we look toward the rest of the year. Nathan will start us off this month with his chilly presentation about something to do with Antarctica. Coming up is Philatelic Jeopardy in October (category suggestions?), the big auction in November, and our annual Christmas foray in December. The club needs someone to handle the big auction in November. The task is to take in and list the lots for the auction. Who would like to volunteer?

I want to remind everyone that the club meeting location this month is back at our home base, Parkway Central Middle School.

That's enough for now. Enjoy the rest of the summer and I look forward to seeing everyone at this month's meeting.

Guy

Did you know: In January, 1914, The Post Office Dept instituted a special 4th class rate for the shipment of gold only within Alaska or from Alaska to the United States.

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 Editor know immediately; it takes USPS a couple months to send us a correction notice.

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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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