



# PERF-DISPATCH

## GREATER MOUND CITY STAMP CLUB

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

When 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month  
at 7:30 PM

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

### MAY MEETING

The program for this month will be on Cute Critters. It's hard to tell what sort of critters Tom Minor will be discussing, but it should be fun.

### 2019 SCHEDULE

June.....Show and Tell.....All Members  
 July.....Show Preparations.....Show Comm.  
 August.....Poland 1946 Air Mail....Bob Ogrodnick  
 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 **June 10** 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

**H**i Everyone! It's May! While that is obvious there is a reason for me pointing that out. May also means the Memorial Day holiday the last Monday of the month, which this month is the 4th Monday of the month. Therefore, as in years past when Memorial Day falls on the 4th Monday, here is a reminder that the club meeting is a week earlier, Monday the 20th. I hope everyone, if not already done, has made a note of the change.

Spring is definitely here. Although it has been a wet spring so far, the warmer weather sure is nice. Let's enjoy it for as long as we can because in another month we'll all be complaining how hot it is! Late spring and early summer is also a nice time to relax and enjoy the hobby as there is not a lot of extra things going on for the club. As we move toward the middle of summer, things will heat up again as the club prepares for StampFest.

Speaking of StampFest, preparations continue to move forward behind the scenes. Everything seems to be on track, but the show could still use a bourse chairman. I asked for a volunteer in last month's column as well as at the club meeting, but so far no one has stepped forward. Who would like to sign up and take this on? Please let me and/or Tom know. I promise that we will welcome that person with open arms!

This month is auction month. If anyone wants to see specific items appear in the auction, let the dealers in the club know. Anyone can also let our secretary know and he will send out a club wide email asking the club members to bring the type of material requested should anyone have any to auction. The consensus of the club members after the last auction remains the same. Everyone would like to see better items. Now is the chance to bring that kind of material and see what it does.

Tom Minor will present this month's program on cute critters. As with last month, I have no idea what this actually means. While one's first thought is that it has to be something along a topical theme, knowing Tom that is not necessarily the case. Tom collects some very strange and interesting items to include a lot of ephemera. Again there is only one way to find out and that's come to the meeting. I will be out of town for the next two monthly meetings so someone will have to let me know what I will unfortunately miss.

Who else would like to present a program? I think we now have September filled, which closes out this year. However, Ed will always take volunteers and schedule out into next year. Let Ed know and he can schedule anyone for the beginning of next year, which is what needs to happen to keep the programs filled and rolling forward.

I'll see everyone after my foray to Las Vegas for the national bowling tournament and then Stamp Camp in June. While I'll be away for the next two meetings, I'll be at the breakfast club meeting the second Monday of the month (come join us), and I'll be right here in my monthly column. That is all.

Guy

**Did you know: The U. S. Postal Service has issued a definitive stamp with the U. S. flag on it every year since 1963. That's 56 years in a row!**

## CLUB LIBRARY

The club library is an amazing asset for the Greater Mound City Stamp Club, but almost no one is making use of it. What can we do to get you interested in checking books out from the library? Should we highlight books on specific collecting areas in the newsletter? Are there new books you would like added to the collection such as the book on philatelic firsts Roger Grider showed at a recent meeting, the latest book on U.S. error stamps, or something else you have always wished you could read? Please give it some thought and let me know what would get you to begin using the library.

Several new books have been added to the library thanks to Marcus Meyerotto and the American Topical Association. They will soon be added to the library list on the club website.

## SHOWS

**Gene Stewart** has a bourse the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

## EDITOR'S NOTES

**Please note:** Your editor would like to enclose a philatelic article from time to time to enhance the value of the Perf Dispatch. Is this something you would enjoy? Would anyone be willing to provide an article at some point to help get this going? I will see if I can get approval to reprint some from various other places, but some from our members would really be helpful and add to the value of the newsletter.

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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