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7:30 PM

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\$10 for email only

WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

Greetings everyone, and Happy New Year! Another year has gone by and a new one started. I don't know about anyone else, but where did the past year go? Time just flies by anymore. I suspect that this year will be no different, and before you know it we'll be talking about the annual Christmas party again! Speaking of Christmas and the party, which already seems like 6 months ago, I hope everyone had a joyous holiday season.

The annual Christmas gala was a lot of fun. Thank you, Ed (our VP) for putting on a great evening of food, fun, and frolic. Everyone who attended seemed to have a great time. Those that couldn't or just didn't attend, they missed a good one. However, we'll have another one next year and those that missed this year can attend then. Congratulations also go to Gene Stewart for his selection as this year's Prexie award recipient for his great service to the club over the past many, many years.

The New Year brings another round of activities for the club to enjoy. One of those activities is the monthly program put on by our club members. Right now we only have three confirmed dates, and commitments from three others. Those who have said they will do a program, but haven't committed to a date yet, please do that this month so our VP knows just what months are left open. That means that we have 3 months left to fill for this year. I ask each club member to volunteer to do a program especially if the member has never done one or it's been 3 years or more since the last one. The monthly programs, or activities, is what makes club meetings fun. They can be anything one wants to do and it can be in any format. Please everyone do your part in supporting the club and having fun.

Coming up. This month is auction month. Bring those nice lots in and let's see what happens. There will be some nicer items too, but remember that nicer items will go for more than a couple dollars, and they

JANUARY MEETING

For the first meeting of 2020 Ed Bayham will present "U.S. Navy Yangtze Patrol – 1854-1949".

2020 SCHEDULE

February..St. Louis Stamp Dealers..Gary Hendren
April.....Oil.....Jerry Schultz
July.....StampFest Mailings.....All
October.....Philatelic Jeopardy.....Guy Gasser
November.....Auction Bux Auction.....Guy Gasser
December.....Annual Christmas Party/Dinner

All other months are open at this time. Contact Ed Bayham to volunteer to give a program.

BREAKFAST CLUB MEETING

The Breakfast group meets the second Monday of the month. The next meeting is **December 9**, at the **Olive Street Café**, 12710 Olive Blvd., at **8:30 AM**. The Breakfast group meets year round.



should. March is Expo month. This year's St. Louis Stamp Expo is 27-29 March at the same location, the Airport Renaissance in Bridgeton. I know the club will be asked to provide some volunteers to support a show that is easily in the top five in the nation. More details to follow, but please be prepared to volunteer. Stampfest. August seems like a long way off, but it's not. We need a new venue to hold the show. Anyone with ideas or that knows of a place, please let our relocation committee chairwoman (Katrina) know soonest. We need to get this determined within the next 60 days at the latest.

Phil said for me to keep it shorter this month for his stuff. Done! That is all!

Guy

Did you know: It was the penalty envelopes, created March 3, 1877, that eventually forced out the Departmental Official Stamps after only 11 years (1873 – 1884).

DUES

Dues for the 2020 year are now due. We still have a number of members who haven't paid their dues for 2020. You can see what our records show by looking at the "Thru" date on the left side of the front of the envelope in which you received this newsletter. If it says "2019", you have not yet paid your dues for 2020. Please either send them to the return address shown on the green envelope or, better yet, come to the meeting this month and give them to the Secretary there. Don't miss out on what should be a fun year for the club and for some new features from time to time in the newsletter.

Dues are \$15 for 2020, with the option of a \$10 level if you choose to receive the newsletter by email only.

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.

MEETING LOCATION

Our new, hopefully permanent meeting location is Room 200 in the Kirkwood Community Center at 111 South Geyer Road in Kirkwood. Google Maps or any other navigation system will give you the best route to the building. Coming from the north down I-270 the best exit is probably Dougherty Ferry. From the south you can't exit at Big Bend, so try Watson to Geyer and straight up Geyer. From Lindbergh (Kirkwood Rd.) either Argonne or Madison will take you right to one of the drives around the building, which is on the west side of the street.

When you reach the building, pull around to the west (the "back") side of the building, which will bring you to the main entrance. Enter through the outer glass doors and turn right. Enter through the glass doors into the office area, then veer left past our banner into the short hall and the elevator will be on your left. Exit the elevator on the 2nd floor and the meeting room is right in front of you across the hall. Give me a call if you have any questions.

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