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Where Kirkwood Community Center
Room 200
111 South Geyer Rd.
Kirkwood, MO 63122

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

Membership \$15 for Regular members
\$10 for email only

JANUARY MEETING

One of our newer members, Keith Stevenson, has stepped up to present the January program. He will enlighten us about 19th Century French Revenues.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

February...	My Stories of Collecting.....	Greg Hake
March.....	Oil.....	Jerry Schultz
April.....	Oil (cont.).....	Jerry Schultz
May.....	London, 2022.....	Ed Pieper
June.....	TBD.....	???
July.....	StampFest Prep.....	Guy Gasser
August.....	TBD.....	???
September.....	TBD.....	???
October.....	Philatelic Jeopardy.....	Guy Gasser
November.....	Auction Bux Auction.....	???
December....	Christmas Party.....	Katrina Whitaker

SHOWS

Gene Stewart has a bourse the 2nd Saturday of each month from **9AM to 3PM**. It is now located at The Aviator South County on the northeast corner of I-55 and Lindbergh, behind The Mattress Firm. Don't miss out, and be sure to wear your mask unless you have been fully vaccinated.

WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

Happy New Year everyone! I hope that everyone had a joyous Christmas and that the New Year will be healthy and prosperous for all.

It's a new stamp year and time to get things cranked up again. This year promises to be busy and packed full of philatelic fun and frolic. My hope is that we will all enjoy what the year has in store for us and that more members of the club will be able to participate in the club's activities!

I want to start the new year off with the results of the election of the two club officers from the November meeting. Let's all congratulate our new club Treasurer, Pat Morgan. Congratulations Pat! Pat is on board and ready to get at it. I also want to thank Gary Hendren, who opted not to run again for Treasurer, for his long and faithful 28 years of service to the club as its treasurer. Well done, Gary, well done. The second officer elected was the reelection of myself as your President. It was a tough race, but somehow I managed to pull the votes to win going away! Oh wait. I ran unopposed. I guess it wasn't as close as I thought. So much for the big victory party! Either way, I thank you all for your support and look forward to leading the club for another 2 years. My goal is to only make the club better for everyone.

The annual Christmas bash went off without a hitch last month, and fun and frolic was had by all who attended. As I always seem to say, and I will continue to say, if you didn't attend you missed a great time. We had 33 signed up and 28 who attended. The sick bug got three of them and the other two just mysteriously didn't make it. I will say that the total who signed up was the most we have had in the past several years. I hope that the upward trend continues at the next club Christmas party. Let's all also thank our VP, Katrina Whitaker, for the excellent job she did putting on this shindig. She always does a good job, and I look forward to what

she has in store for us this year. Thank you, madam Vice President.

Now, here we go. This month we'll start off with the club auction. I hope that we had several who submitted lots. Then we get to do our annual voting on last year's stamp issues. We are doing that a month early this year because the deadline to submit ballots is 28 February, which is also the day of our February meeting. Those who get *Linn's Stamp Monthly*, please bring your December issue so that we will have several for everyone to look at, which will help speed up the voting process. Then last, but not least, Keith Stevenson will tell us everything we ever wanted to know about 19th Century French Revenues. I'm looking forward to learning about this seldom mentioned side of philately. I hope everyone else is too.

Phil continues to do well and will be joining us this month. He will also be collecting dues for this year from those who haven't yet paid. If you're coming to the meeting, and I hope that many are, and you haven't paid your dues (you know who you are), please bring your money and pay your dues. If you are not coming to the meeting, please mail your dues to Phil now, today! And don't try to pay by PayPal or a cash app. Phil's head might explode if you do! Right now, we only have ten who still have not paid for this year. Let's get this done so we can move on to other things.

See everyone at the meeting! That is all.

Guy

Did you know: The USPS estimates that it is losing about \$200 million a year through the use of counterfeit stamps. If one sees forever stamps or high value stamps offered anywhere at steep discounts, you can bet that they are counterfeit.

DUES

Dues for the 2022 club year are due. Over 80% of our members have already paid them, and I hope at least half the remaining members will pay them at the January meeting. You can give them to Phil Schorr during the meeting. Otherwise, you can mail them to Greater Mound City Stamp Club, 12718 St. Lazare Ln., St. Louis, MO 63127. If you still have the green dues sheet from last October, please complete it and include it. If you aren't sure if you have paid them, simply look at the left front of the green mailing envelope. If it says "Thru 2021", you haven't paid for 2022.

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