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Next Meeting: January 22, 1990 Place: Farkway Central High School Business Program: 8:00 p.m. Junior Club: 6:30 p.m.

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Junior Program: A "BASICS OF STAMP COLLECTING" videotape will be shown. Any adult interested is welcome to come early and view the video.

Program: Roger Grider will headline the January program that will deal with computer software for the collector - "How to Computerize for the 1990"s." Come and find out how computers are being used bycollectors. An APS slide program is being sought for the February program.

1990 Officers: Gary Hendren and Mat Paradise will serve another year as President and Secretary respectively and Ruthann Straight will be the Vice President and Roger Grider will be the Treasurer for 1990. Vic Silver will take over as Club Librarian. The Club wishes to thank outgoing Vice President Bob Barry and outgoing Treasurer Jerry Walterscheid for their contributions as 1989 officers.

Library: If you would like a book from the Club's library contact Vic Silver, 278-8100, prior to the meeting so that he can bring the item to you.

March Bourse: I will be asking for a volunteer to help with local publicity for the bourse. Also be thinking about a time you will be able to help at the club table or possibly set up on Mar. 2 or cleanup on Mar 4. Also, flyers will be available at the January meeting for you to distribute. Look for the notice in both Linn's and Stamp Collector.

Auction: Bring your items to sell, and get there early enough to view the items for bid.

There is a need for additional member profiles for subsequent newsletters. Please bring to the January meeting.

Dues: Your 1990 membership fee is now due. \$5.00 for individual memberships or \$6.00 for family memberships. Make checks out to The Greater St. Louis Stamp Club and send them to Roger Grider, 6402 Lansdowne, St. Louis, MO 63109 or bring to the January meeting.

Numbers in the news:
1990 paid memberships..... 1 individual
...... 0 family

December attendance ........27 Nov.Jr. Club attendance .....10

Bourse tables sold ......10 of 20

BOURSES: Feb. 11 Drury Inn - Fenton Feb. 18 St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Mar. 3-4, 1990 Northwest Plaza Spring Bourse

Member Profile: Ruthann Straight (membership #268) has been a member of the club for approximately 6 years and is just beginning a term as the club's Vice President. She is employed as a registered nurse for the St. Louis Public Schools and during the summer months serves as a staff nurse for the Bethesda Home. She is divorced, with two children and has been a resident of St. Louis all her life with the exception of the 4 years she spent at Depauw University in Greencastle, IN picking up a B.S. degree in Nursing.

Ruthann's collecting interests include foreign postal meters that she collects by country and type of impression and medical/pharmaceutical slogans on U.S. and foreign postal meters. She is just starting a topical collection of drugs and pharmacy on regular stamps.

In addition to our club, she is a member of the Mound City Stamp Club, the Webster Groves Stamp Club and Meter Stamp Society and can usually be seen at most of the area monthly bourses. She states, "I like stamps and the people who collect them."

Her one philatelic wish would be to obtain an updated Barfoot-Simon Meter Stamp Catalogue (after 1953) or if I can't have that, a complete set of back issues of Meter Stamp Society Bulletins.

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## THE GREATER ST. LOUIS STAMP CLUB P. O. BOX 1244 ST. ANN. MO. 63074

Next Meeting: February 26, 1990 Place: Parkway Central High School Business Program: 8:00 p.m. Junior Club: 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE CHECK MAP ON BACK IF YOU HAVE NOT ATTENDED A MEETING THERE.

Junior Program: We'll play the game STAMPIN' - The lively Game of Stamp Acquisition.

Program: An APS slide program "THE BLACK JACKS" will be the topic of the February program. The March program will feature the "BASICS OF STAMP COLLECTING" videotape. This is a 50 minute program featuring M  $\star$  S  $\star$  S  $\star$  H's Gary Burghoff.

Library: If you would like a book from the Club's library contact Vic Silver, 278-8100, prior to the meeting so that he can bring the item to you.

March Bourse: Thanks to Tom Rizzardo for volunteering to help with local publicity for the bourse. Also be thinking about a time you will be able to help at the club table. These times are still open: Sat -12:00-1:00, 1:00-2:00, 2:00-3:00 Sun -12:00-1:00, 1:00-2:00, 2:00-3:00

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Bourses: Mar. 3-4 Northwest Plaza Spring Bourse

Mar. 12 Drury Inn - Fenton Mar. 19 St. Aloysius Gonzaga

May 5-6 St. Charles Bourse - McKinley School

Jun. 23-4 MO Precancel Club 'Mulefest'

Bourse Profile: (The following was sent to the dealers coming to the bourse). Just a short note to let you know that all the pieces are coming together to make for an excellent bourse at the Northwest Plaza Auditorium on March 3 - 4, 1990. All 20 tables have been sold to local dealers and several out of town dealers. Over 2000 flyers have been distributed and over 1500 cards have been mailed to collectors within 125 miles of St. Louis. Linns and Stamp Collector have carried our bourse notice for 6 to 8 weeks and a news release will soon be going to area newspaper, radio, and TV people. About all that remains is for the people to turn out to look over and purchase the fine material that you are preparing to bring.

You may begin setting up your tables at 9:00 am on March 3. Coffee will be available at that time. We'll provide nametags for all of your table workers. I expect everything else to be the same as in the past. We'll have a club table to greet the visitors and register them for a door prize we'll draw for at 12:00, 2:00, and 4:00 each day. There will be special give-a-ways for the kids that attend. Payment for any remaining balance for your table(s) will be due by the end of the day on Sunday.

Below is the list of what I believe to be an outstanding group of dealers to revive the Northwest Plaza Bourse after an 18 month leave of absence. Here's hoping it is most successful to each of you.

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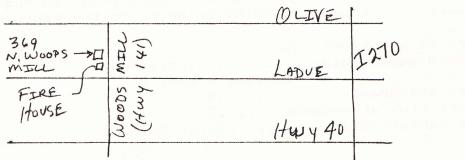
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Blue Valley Stamp Co.
G & L Stamps(2)
JWF Stamps

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St. Ann Stamp Exchange
Quality Stamps of S.L.

Stamp Corner(2) J & J Stamps Normandie Stamps Hal Lewis' Roger Grider Mike Landt Nancy Moellering Leon Jablonski Paul Oesterly Gus Salomon James Farber Dick Lightle John Marquardt Ron McVay Karen Moore Gene Stewart Brad Salus Jack Young Richard Willmarth Dennis Peoples

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Plan to attend if at all possible to support these people.



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March Bourse: By most standards and with conversations with dealers and attendees, the March Bourse was a huge success. Thanks to Tom Rizzardo and Hollister Smith for doing a terrific job in getting publicity to the radio stations and newspapers. According to the info forms, many new people attended due to hearing it over the radio, seeing a notice in the newspaper or picked up a flyer somewhere. Direct mailing reached a good many of the regular people within a 125 mile radius of St. Louis.

Thanks to Mat Paradise, Ruthanne Straight, and Gary Hendren for helping set up on Friday and to Roger Grider, Tom Rizzardo, Roger Edwards, Gary Hendren and Ruthanne Straight for helping clean up after the bourse on Sunday. Thanks to members Roger Grider, Ron McVay, and Nancy Moellering for purchasing tables at the Bourse. We were pleased to see many members drop by for a few minutes or several hours.

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Numbers in the news:

1990 paid memberships.......25 individual

..... 2 family

February attendance ......13

Feb. Jr. Club attendance ....9

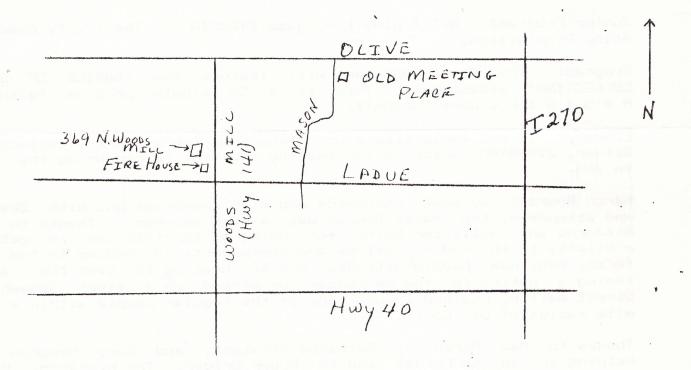
Bourses: Apr. 8 Drury Inn - Fenton

Apr. 22 St. Alousius Gonzaga

May 5-6 St. Charles Bourse - McKinley School

Jun. 23-4 MO Precancel Club 'Mulefest'

Member Profile: (none on file at this time)



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## THE GREATER ST. LOUIS STAMP CLUB

Next meeting: April 23, 1990 Place: Parkway Central High School Business Program: 8:00 p.m. Junior Club: 6:30 p.m.

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JUNIOR PROGRAM: How to set up a stamp exhibit will be discussed. The May meeting will feature the Junior Club Stamp Exhibit.

PROGRAM: The April meeting will feature member Ron McVay talking about the United States 90 cent issues. As always Ron will have several outstanding stamps available for viewing to help illustrate his talk. May will feature visitor Charles L. Grassmin on the stamps of North Borneo. June will feature a program on Fancy Cancels presented by George Taubel.

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AUCTION: Bring your items to sell, and get here early enough to view the items for bid.

There is a need for additional member profiles for subsequent newsletters. Please bring to the April meeting.

DUES: This will be your last newsletter based on 1989 dues. Your 1990 membership fee is now overdue. \$5.00 for individual memberships or \$6.00 for family memberships. Make checks out to The Greater St. Louis Stamp Club and send them to Roger Grider, 6402 Lansdowne, St. Louis, MO 63109 or bring to the next meeting.

### NUMBERS IN THE NEWS:

March Jr. Club attendance ...... 8

BOURSES: Apr. 22 St. Aloysius Gonzaga--5628 N. Magnolia

May 5-6 St. Charles Bourse--McKinley School

May 13 Drury Inn--Fenton May 20 St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Jun. 23-4 MO Precancel Club 'Mulefest"--Midway Motor Lodge

MEMBER PROFILE: (none of file at this time)

## NEW ISSUE CALENDAR:

Apr. 18 \$.25 Marianne Moore commem. in Literary Arts Series

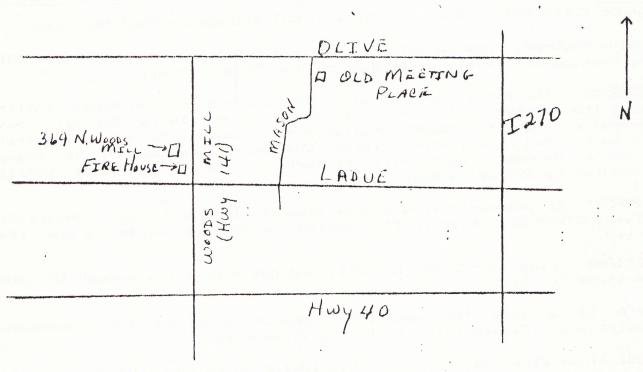
Apr. 20 \$1.00 Seaplane in Transportation Series

Apr. 26. \$.25 Lighthouses booklet of 5 commems.

May 18 \$.25 Flag self-adhesive, ATM-compatible, sheet of 12

Jun. 1 \$.25 Rhode Island Statehood Bicentennial commem.

Jun. 2 \$2.00 Bobcat definitive



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Next meeting: May 29, 1990
Place: Parkway Central High School
Business Program: 8:00 p.m.
Junior Club: 6:30 p.m.

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JUNIOR PROGRAM: The May meeting will feature the Junior Club Stamp Exhibit. All members are invited to arrive a little early to view the exhibits.

JUNIOR AUCTION DONATIONS: Anyone interested in donating an item or two for next month's Junior Las Vegas Auction, bring them to the May meeting. Most of the Juniors are U.S. collectors.

PROGRAM: May will feature visitor Charles L. Grassman on the stamps of North Borneo. June will feature a program on Croatia presented by George Taubel, a member of the German Philatelic Society. Thanks to Ron McVay for an excellent presention last month on the U.S. 90 centissues.

NICKEL STAMP BOX: Arrive early and spend some time picking through the newly added 5-cent box. Two to three pounds of recent foreign stamps on paper has been purchased for your browsing pleasure. Pick out as many as you want for your collection and reimburse the club's treasury at 5 cents per stamp. Looks like a good selection for starters.

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AUCTION: Bring your items to sell, and get here early enough to view the items for bid.

There is a need for additional member profiles for subsequent newsletters. Please bring to the May meeting.

DUES: This will be your last newsletter based on 1989 dues. Your 1990 membership fee is now overdue. If your mailing label has 89 under your membership number, you may have forgotten to renew your membership. \$5.00 for individual memberships or \$6.00 for family memberships. Make checks out to The Greater St. Louis Stamp Club and send them to Roger Grider, 6402 Lansdowne, St. Louis, MO 63109 or bring to the next meeting. If there is any discrepancy, please contact Roger before next month's mailing.

### NUMBERS IN THE NEWS:

BOURSES: June

June 10

Drury Inn--Fenton

June 17

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Jun. 23-4 MO Precancel Club #Mulefest"--Midway Motor Lodge

MEMBER PROFILE: (none of file at this time)

The item below is a reprint from Mekeel's Weekly-May 14, 1990



This is one of those in-between issues--with too many ads for 8 pages, but too few to cover the cost of 12 pages. There were extenuating circumstances, but there's no sense going on about it. I feel as uncomfortable as you do in these cramped quarters, especially as I get used to 12 pagers.

Speaking of making do, I received a note recently from one of our many subscribers who have become friends. He indicated that he was going to give up the hobby, citing the high cost of collecting the many USPS new issues.

Why would someone totally abandon a hobby because he could not purchase mint stamps? Is there nothing else to collect? How about Precancels?

I cite Precancels because of a newsletter that recently crossed my desk. Collectors not familiar with Precancels may wonder what

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## From The Editor's Desk

it is that causes others to "catch the bug." In addition to all the other attributes—thrill of the hunt, thousands of varieties within reach of the average collector, access to useful reference works, etc.—there also seems to be an unmatched camaraderie.

Gary Hendren, President of the Missouri Precancel Club expressed this in a past *Missouri Mule*, the newsletter of the Missouri Precancel Club:

"... Even though I have been a stamp collector for about forty years, I am a relative newcomer to precancels. Like many U.S. collectors, there comes a time when filling album spaces becomes expensive and a very slow process. It was a natural process to branch into other areas....

"I am grateful that someone pointed me in the direction of precancels and perfins. I joined the Precancel Stamp Society in September of 1986, attended the Illini Precancel Stamp Club Spring Convention..., met so many movers and shakers of precanceldom there who turned out to be such fine people, purchased a Bureau Album from George Klein, and an Illinois town and type collection from Phil Cayford, and I have been hooked ever since.

"Also in attendance at that meeting was a St. Louis contingent, all of whom have been a great help in getting me started on the right foot. By the time I left Indiana, I was an IPSC and a MPC member. Now I eagerly await the monthly-to-quarterly publications of a dozen or so precancel clubs.

"The thing that has impressed me most is the honesty, friendliness, and helpfulness of all I have made contact with. It is a refreshing experience I have not found in other philatelic organizations. I hope that never changes."

Precancels are one option for collectors on a budget. So, don't give up. C'mon back next week.

Jr. F. Pum

## 322nd Public Auction to be held

May 31 - June 1, 1990 at the

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United States & Foreign sets - singles - collections accumulations - wholesale









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## THE GREATER ST. LOUIS STAMP CLUB

Next meeting: June 25, 1990 Place: Parkway Central High School Business Program: 8:00 p.m. Junior Club: 6:30 p.m.

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JUNIOR PROGRAM: The June meeting will feature our Annual "Las Vegas" Auction. Each person will receive \$200 at the door. Don't forget to bring the money you have accumulated over the past year. Thanks to Joe Tucker, Ron McVay, Harry Lischer, and Gary Hendren for donations for the auction.

PROGRAM: June will feature a program on Croatia presented by George Taubel, a member of the German Philatelic Society. Ruthanne Straight will present the program in July entitled "Old Gold" — A look. at European Meters. August will be "Show and Tell" month, so dust off an interesting item or two from your collection and tell the rest of us about it. Thanks to Charlie Grassman for an excellent presention last month on North Borneo.

NICKEL STAMP BOX: Arrive early and spend some time picking through the newly added 5-cent box. Two to three pounds of recent foreign stamps on paper has been purchased for your browsing pleasure. Pick out as many as you want for your collection and reimburse the club's treasury at 5 cents per stamp. Looks like a good selection for starters.

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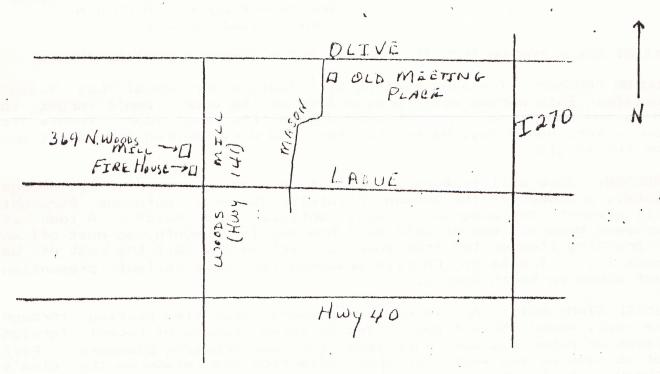
There is a need for additional member profiles for subsequent newsletters. Please bring to the June meeting.

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### NUMBERS IN THE NEWS:

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BOURSES June 23-4 MO Precancel Club 'Mulefest"Midway Motor Lodge

June 24 Stamp & Postcard Show - Ramada Inn, Fairview Hgts.
July 8 Drury Inn--Fenton
July 15 St. Aloysius Gonzaga



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## THE GREATER ST. LOUIS STAMP CLUB

Next meeting: September 24, 1990 Place: Parkway Central High School Business Program: 8:00 p.m. Junior Club: 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE CHECK MAP ON BACK IF YOU HAVE NOT ATTENDED A MEETING THERE.

JUNIOR PROGRAM: Bring your Scott's Catalogs for some more in depth work on identifying some of the tougher U.S. stamps. PROGRAM: Due to Tom Rizzardo being out of town, the program this month will be a philatelic trivia quiz with the winners picking up some NW Plaza Bourse Bucks. Thanks to Ruthanne Straight for her slide program last month on Foreign Meters.

BOURSE UPDATE: At this time there are about 20 dealers taking up 26 tables for the upcoming bourse. We will be a little crowded. Dealers will be coming in from SD, IL, IN, IA, and TX in addition to many of our regular local dealers. I'm looking forward to an excellant show. The dealer list and their specialties will be available at the meeting.

NICKEL STAMP BOX: Arrive early and spend some time picking through the newly added 5-cent box. Two to three pounds of recent foreign stamps on paper has been purchased for your browsing pleasure. Fick out as many as you want for your collection and reimburse the club's treasury at 5 cents per stamp. Looks like a good selection for starters.

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## NUMBERS IN THE NEWS:

BOURSES Sep. 29-30 Northwest Plaza Bourse

Oct. 14 Drury Inn-Fenton
Oct. 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga
Nov. 3-4 St. Charles Bourse

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Next meeting: October 22, 1990 Place: Parkway Central High School Business Program: 8:00 p.m.

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JUNIOR PROGRAM: No program this month.

PROGRAM: Roger Edwards will give the October program on "World War II Collectibles." Winners of last month's Stamp Trivia Contest were Ron McVay, Roger Edwards, and Jerry Walterscheid.

BOURSE UPDATE: There were 21 dealers taking up 27 tables for September bourse. Dealers hailed from SD, IL, IN, IA, and TX in addition to many of our regular local dealers. There were over people in attendance for the two day show.

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BOURSES Oct. 21 St. Alovsius Gonzaga

Nov. 3-4 St. Charles Bourse

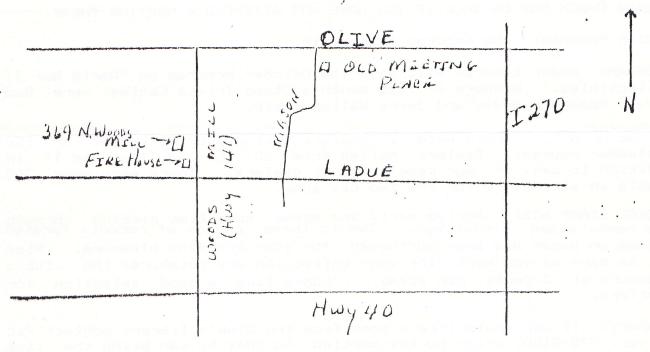
Nov. 11 Drury Inn

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BASICS OF STAMP COLLECTING COURSE: If you are new to stamp collecting, starting again after a period of inactivity, feel the need to brush up on the basics of stamp collecting, or just want to know more about the hobby. this course is for you. Among the topics to be covered are the basic terms of the hobby, sorting, soaking, and mounting stamps in an album, proper use of the perforation gauge and watermark detector, use of catalogs, albums, sources of stamps, and philatelic organizations and literature. A trip to a philatelic center and stamp bourse are included. Gary Hendren will teach this 5 night course for the Ferguson-Florissant Community School Program starting after January 1, 1991.



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Park in the lot in front of the school. Enter the doors behind the flag pole and follow the signs around the cafeteria to room 303 which is next to the school store.

## DEC 12 - CHRISTMAS DINNER



Next meeting: November 26. 1990
Place: Parkway Central High School
Junior Program: 6:30 p.m.
Business Program: 8:00 p.m.

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JUNIOR PROGRAM: Bring vour Washington-Franklin Head stamps to be identified.

PROGRAM: Hollister Smith will present the November program entitled "Vive le France" on stamps. Thanks to Roger Edwards for his most interesting October program on "World War II Collectibles." Election of officers for 1991 will be held.

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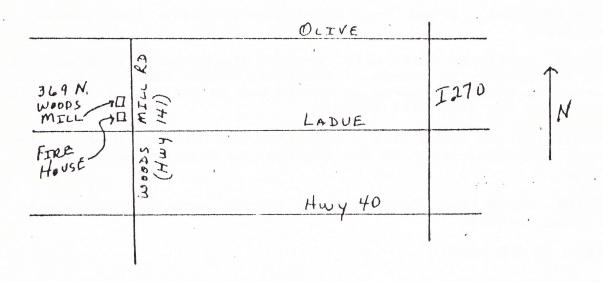
BOURSES Mar. 2-3 Northwest Plaza Bourse

Dec. 9 Drury Inn

Dec. 15 St. Alovsius Gonzada

DECEMBER DINNER: This year's dinner will be held on Monday. December 10 at the Flaming Pit Banquet Center at 11715 Manchester Road which is located about midway between Lindbergh and I-270. A cash bar will be open at 6:30 p.m. with the hot buffet style dinner served about 7:15. The cost this year will be \$4.00 for members and \$8.00 for non-members. Reservations can be made at the November meeting or sent to Treasurer Roger Grider, 6402 Lansdowne. St. Louis. MO 63109 no later than December 3. Use the enclosed form.

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