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\$10 for email only

JUNE MEETING

Our new member, Michael Karasick, has a large collection of poster stamps and other ephemera, mostly focusing on railroads. He will give us a look at some of the collection during our June meeting. Maybe he will inspire you to start a new collection of poster stamps on a topic that interests you.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

July.....StampFest Prep.....Guy Gasser
August.....Imperial German Navy
during the Boxer Rebellion....Ed Bayham
September.....Capex.....Ed Pieper
October.....Philatelic Jeopardy.....Guy Gasser
November....Auction Bux Auction.....Jerry Schultz
December....Christmas Party.....Katrina Whitaker

2023

Speakers needed for next year.

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. One of the dealers just might have that stamp you have been seeking.

WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

Greetings everyone! It's not summer yet, but one wouldn't know that by the weather. What a crazy spring we have had. It makes me wonder what this summer will bring. Be prepared to bake???

It is with heartache and sadness that I have to begin this month's column notifying everyone that we lost Stephen Price last month. Stephen passed away from a sudden heart attack at his home on 14 April. I sent a club wide email with this tragic announcement, but some may not have seen it.

Stephen joined the club in August, 2019. When he joined, he told me that he was looking for another club to join and had heard good things about our club. He told me later that he was glad that he joined. Since he joined our club, he regularly attended meetings and he readily volunteered to help out at all club functions. He was an avid collector most of his life of United States both postage stamps and revenue stamps. I think he dabbled a little in some foreign stamps too. Even though he suffered from other health problems, his attitude was positive and infectious for our club.

Stephen had no immediate family in the area. His brother in Chicago is handling his affairs. There were no services per Stephen's wishes. I want to thank the President of the Belleville Stamp Club for informing me of Stephen's passing. I think I can say for all that we will miss Stephen. Rest in peace.

Life goes on and we continue to move forward. Planning for StampFest continues. All the contracts have been sent out and Tom is just waiting for them to be returned so we know just how many dealers we'll have. If all the dealers asked attend, we'll have about 18 dealers selling all types of philatelic material. Again, the show dates this year are 13-14 August 2022, at the Kirkwood Community Center. Has everyone marked their calendars; reserved those dates to attend the show? I hope so as it would be great if every club member attended.

I'm still looking for someone to chair the concession stand. I'm not sure just what the fear is about taking

on this task. Perhaps some members can enlighten me. It is not as monumental as one would think. We don't want to lose having a concession stand. Who will volunteer?

This month's program promises to be very interesting. Ed Pieper is going to tell us all about the International Philatelic Exposition that took place in London a couple months ago. This is the international that moves around the world every year. The next time it will be back in the US is in 2026, and it will take place in Boston, MA.

Speaking of programs, The VP has filled the months for this year and is now working on next year. Sign up early and pick the month. Jerry Schultz has also volunteered to do the big club auction in November. Keep earning those auction bux. They will come in handy in November!

I'll be in Idaho visiting my youngest daughter during the meeting this month. I'll miss seeing everyone. The Vice President has the helm. That is all!

Guy

Did you know: The British first used red cancelation ink on the Penny Black. However, they quickly discovered that the red ink was too easy to remove to reuse the stamps so they changed to black ink. How did that work out?

STAMPFEST

StampFest, our annual show, will take place on August 13 and 14 this year. It will be held in the large gym just to your right as you enter the Kirkwood Community Center. At the July meeting we will spend most of our time preparing all the cards and letters we will mail publicizing the show. Having good attendance at the show is important so dealers will be happy to return in following years.

A big "Thank you" to Ed Bayham for agreeing to chair the concession stand. If he asks you to help with something, please be willing to step up. The concessions are an important part of having a good and successful show.

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