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\$10 for email only Perf-Dispatch

AUGUST 28 MEETING

Michael Karasick is going to fill us in on Argentina Revenue Stamps from the province of Santa Fe from 1896 to 1913. They include Documentary, Imports and Patents. You won't be surprised to learn they all are railroad themed, with pictures of trains.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

September....Stamp Act of 1765.....Nathan Esbeck
October.....Philatelic Jeopardy.....Guy Gasser
November.....Auction Bux.....Jerry Schultz(?)
December.....Christmas Party....Katrina Whitaker
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January...Lawrence of Arabia ..Michael Hirschfeld
April....Intro to Match and Medicine....Ron McVay
June.....TBD.....Alan Barasch

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to present programs for this year. Katrina is hard at work starting to fill out the schedule for next year. Let her know what month you want before it's gone.

WHAT YOU MISSED

Thanks to everyone who helped with the annual Lick and Stick party. There was a great turnout and everything went well. It helped that the envelopes for the letters were all franked with Forever stamps thanks to some planning ahead by our President.. Thanks again!

WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

Hello club members. It's the dog days of summer for sure, and it's still hot outside. Good grief!

I want to start this month's column with a couple of well-deserved accolades. First, let's congratulate Alex Haimann for being selected as this year's APS Ernest A. Kehr award winner! This annual award recognizes one living philatelist each year who, for a period of at least five years, has demonstrated one or more of the following: making philately attractive as a hobby to newcomers, working directly with newcomers, especially young people, and/or developing and administering programs aimed at recruiting newcomers. Anyone who knows Alex knows that he fits all three categories. Well deserved, Alex!

Second, congratulations go to Christina Esbeck for being selected as a YPLF (Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship) for this year. Christina has chosen the exhibitors track for her year in the YPLF. The YPLF is a competitive program that selects young aspiring philatelists with passion, dedication, and advanced skills for their age among other things for selection. Being selected as a member under the age of 18 is quite an honor. The club now boasts two youth members who have been selected as she joins Silas Ernst as a member of this prestigious group. This is not all though. Christina continues to dazzle us as her exhibit "Thinking of You" won the youth Champion of Champions as the best youth exhibit in all the land this year! The Champion of Champions for all categories of exhibits is awarded annually at the Great American Stamp Show (GASS). This is her second exhibit to win this award! Congratulations, Christina!

Speaking of shows, StampFest has come and gone for another year. The show went off well and I think that everyone who attended found that our new

location served us well. Unfortunately, for probably several reasons, attendance was not what I would have liked to see. There were 111 who attended the show, and 41 were club members, which is about 55% of the club. Club members, we need to do better, as in 75 to 80% of the club. I want to thank Tom Minor for heading up the show again this year, and our VP, Katrina Whitaker, for organizing the potluck dinner Saturday night. I also want to thank Barb Horter for handling the club's 10 cent table and her assistance with much of the logistics of the potluck. Thanks also go to Jerry Schultz for putting the auction together and performing as the auctioneer. Over 30 people attended the auction and the club made \$126. I also thank our many volunteers who stepped up to help with all of the other things that we needed done to run the show. The final numbers will be available on the website and presented at the meeting this month. I don't have the bottom line as of this writing, but I'm thinking that the club made around \$800 from the show.

Now that StampFest has come and gone, the next big club event is the Christmas party. The date is Thursday, 11 December at the same location as last year, "Catering To You" in Florissant. The VP will have more information on the party as we get closer. Please mark this fun and frolic event on your calendar now.

The programs for this year are filled! Thank you for those of you who volunteered. The VP is now working on programs for next year, and has filled three months. Let's get next year filled now too!

That is all!

Guy

■ DID YOU KNOW? ■

Did you know: The earliest known world philatelic exhibition took place in 1862 in London, England. However, it was not anything like the international exhibition we know today. That came later. Stay tuned.

BOURSE

The Second Saturday Stamp Bourse returned on February 8 and is now settled in at their location behind the Forest Park Bible Church. It will be held every second Saturday except for June and August to avoid schedule conflicts with other shows.

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The "Old Philatelists Eating Lunch Plus" gathering in August will be on Monday, September 8 at 11:30 at Mike Duffy's Pub and Grill in Richmond Heights. It's a fun time. Why not come on out, have a good lunch, and spend time with your stamp collecting friends.

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