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Where Dielmann Rec. Complex

Dielmann West room 11400 Olde Cabin Rd. Creve Coeur, MO 63141

When 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month at **7:30 PM** 

Membership \$15 for Regular members

\$10 for email only Perf-Dispatch

## OCTOBER 27 MEETING

This month is the big Philatelic Jeopardy quiz. Right answers lead to plenty of Auction Bux to spend next month in our annual Auction Bux auction. Come prepared to show your knowledge as Guy Gasser conducts the quiz.

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

November......Auction Bux......Jerry Schultz(?) December.....Christmas Party...Katrina Whitaker 2026

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**

Nathan Esbeck filled us in on the stamps used under the Stamp Act of 1865, a tax Great Britain placed on documents in the American colonies. In part it was to help pay for the troops stationed in the colonies for their protection. Amid strong opposition from the colonies, it was soon repealed. Nathan showed us some of the stamps and proofs.

#### WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTÉ

i all! Well, it has finally arrived. The time everyone has been patiently waiting for all year that's filled with fun and frolic. Time for everyone's favorite game. Time to put on the ole thinking caps and freshen up on your philatelic knowledge because This...Is...Jeopardy! Philatelic Jeopardy! that is. Now here's your host, El Presidentè. Although, it would be pretty cool if Ken Jennings were to make an appearance. I don't think that will happen.

November will be a busy club meeting too. One will be the election of a club president and treasurer. Anyone wishing to throw their hat in the ring for either of these positions, please submit the google form received in your email or contact Carol Hesselbein directly with your intent.

November is the big auction where we spend all of the auction bux we earned throughout the year. The club will also need items to bid on during the auction. These are all donated items from you all, the club membership, so now is the time to clean out the philatelic closet to get rid of those things you no longer want. Lots can be anything philatelic or items that support the hobby like supplies and such.

Jerry Schultz has been our auctioneer the past few years, I suspect that he will continue. The point here is to let Jerry know what items you are putting in the auction so that he can set everything up before hand and have a list of the items. Any club member donating items to the auction can give them Jerry at the meeting this month, or simply bring them with you next month.

The hottest item in the auction the past 2 years has been a tray of home-made chocolate chip cookies donated by Lesa Morgan. I wonder if she will donate another tray this year? We will all know next month.

The annual Christmas party, which will be on Thursday, 11 December 2025, is on track. Doors will open at 6:30 for happy hour festivities prior to dinner. Rising costs result in the cost going up this year to \$25 per person. The club will make up the difference, which will be around \$15 a person. In the past we have had around 30 who attended. Let's see if we can get that number to at least 40. The location is at Catering To You, 12775 New Halls Ferry Road, Florissant, MO 63033. If not already on your calendar, please add it now.

After discussion with the club officers, I am proposing a change to the club by-laws. All club members will receive the proposed change in the mail explaining the change, a ballot to vote on the proposed changes, and a return envelope to mail the ballot to our secretary. Please return your ballot soonest when received. This change is basically a proposal to raise club dues by \$10.00 per year.

I want to remind everyone that those who plan on attending OPEL+ each month to please RSVP through the website or email Norb that you plan on attending. This is important so that Norb has a headcount to plan accordingly for seating, and also important to determine if anyone is attending so that people don't show up for an event that is in question due to no RSVPs.

This month's program should be clearly obvious, but just in case anyone missed it, it's Jeopardy! Due to the time it takes to play Jeopardy! the club will not hold an auction this month.

The VP is working on programs for next year, and has filled 3 months. That leaves 5 months open and looking for someone to fill them. Who wants to fill one of those months? Let's get next year filled!

That is all!

Guy



According to the American Topical Society, there have been 1007 different stamps issued to honor Princess Diana. This number may not be all of them either.



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.



The "Old Philatelists Eating Lunch Plus" gathering in November will be on Monday, November 10 at 11:30 at **Hobo's At The Legion**, 200 Main Street, St. Peters, MO. It's a fun time. Why not come on out, have a good lunch, and spend time with your stamp collecting friends. Just remember to RSVP in advance on the club website.

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