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Attention all GPLA Members:

**Your 2015 Membership Roster and your official GPLA
ID card will be available at the April Meeting.**

The ID cards will not be mailed; must be picked up in person.

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PRESIDENTIAL VIEWPOINT

Spring has finally arrived!!! I think! I still have a light, medium and heavy jacket in the truck – ‘cause you just never know!!!

Lest I be accused of favoritism – there is still time to sign up for Safetech – being held in Reno, NV this year!! But you had better hurry – it starts on April 20th and runs through April 25th! Oh, by the way – if you still wanted to attend a great convention (and NOT miss our General Membership on the 20th), Just Cars will be held in Scottsdale, AZ on May 1st and 2nd. Details for Safetech is on the ALOA site while Just Cars information can be found at <http://www.justcars.us/> (some nice pictures of the area too!!)

This past month and a half has been frantic for my son Paul and me. In addition to our regular schedule – we have had to originate keys for 41 Nissan Sentras and Versas that somehow made it to Twin Oaks rail yard (from south of the border) without their keys!! Now – I can see where it’s possible to stick a key in your pocket and no one might notice – but there were also 3 cars without batteries! How in the blazes do you sneak a car battery off the rail car without someone noticing??

Our program for our General Membership Meeting on Monday, April 20th, will be “Commercial Door Servicing”, presented by longtime GPLA member, Murray Bilker! Light snacks and refreshments will be available at 7:15 PM and our program will commence at 7:30 PM! Come out and join us and learn a few things about servicing commercial doors!!

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Minutes of the March 2015 GPLA General Membership Meeting

The March GPLA General Membership Meeting was held at Headquarters March 16, 2015, and was called to order by President Orvis Kline at 7:35 pm. Paul Kline led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 3 guests, Allegion sales representative Nate Denver, former member Nick Lonchar, and Richard Hall from Marlton, NJ.

Program: Nate Denver gave a 30-minute presentation on the Schlage ND lock with Engage Technology, and on some new LCN cast aluminum door closers.

Minutes: Motion by Joe Reustle to accept the minutes as published, seconded by Barry Wilensky, and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Ed Fitzgerald reported that the current finance report was approved at the recent Board meeting.

Correspondence In & Out: Paul reported a letter from Life Retired member Marvin Weinstein, thanking him for mailing his newsletter (he is 1 of 4 who get it by "snail mail") and inviting members to call him at 856-428-6411.

President's Report: Orvis recognized new member Nick Denaro, attending his first meeting as a full Active Member. GPLA member Tom Foxwell is running for the ALOA Presidency. As Chair of the GPLA nominating committee, Orvis is soliciting members to run for office. Also, a review of the By-Laws is coming up, so if anyone wants to suggest any changes now is the time. Just Cars.

Health & Welfare: Charter Member Bernie Wilensky will be 97 tomorrow, St. Patrick's Day.

Newsletter: Mike Nimmo is looking for someone to take his place as Editor. There is a possibility that Paul may be able to do it.

Convention: Cliff Shafer announced the first committee meeting was Jan. 29, and this year's convention will be September 30 – October 3. The theme will be "Online Locksmith Forums – Information at the Speed of Light". Our Honorary Chairman will be Jay Long, founder of Clearstar. So far it looks like we will have 1 class at our HQ on Wednesday, then 3 or 4 classes each day on Thursday and Friday at the hotel.

Holiday Party: Paul reported next year's party will be Saturday, December 12, at the Cannstatter Club.

Program: Mark Bolno is looking for a replacement as chairman. Our April meeting will feature Murray Bilker.

Website: Orvis reminded us that we offer scholarships each year toward our Convention classes, and that there are applications on the website. Also, we do have a private Facebook group.

ALOA Task Force: Ron Marcinkowski reported that funds are low and the group is not currently active. Mark Baldino has been using his own funds in a lawsuit against Google and Yahoo.

Old Business: There was a discussion on member turnout at meetings.

Good of the Association: Larry Schwalb reported that "Key Me" machines are now at Rite Aid on Chestnut Street, and other Philly locations. Ed Fitzgerald thanked Bill Neff for producing this year's ID cards and the membership roster. Paul has developed a Honda information "cheat sheet" and offered it to any member who wanted a copy.

50/50: Several people won various prizes.

At 8:55 pm the President called for a motion to adjourn. Sven Hellwig made the motion, seconded by Bob Wagner, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Nelson Dayton, Recording Secretary

Calendar of Events

April 20	GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
April 20-25	SAVTA Convention	Reno, NV
May 1-2	JustCars	Scottsdale, AZ
May 18	GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
June 15	GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
July 19-26	ALOA Convention	Reno, NV
Sept 30-Oct 3	GPLA Convention & Tradeshow	Philadelphia, PA

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Another reminder to everyone that GPLA has scholarship's (two full days of classes at our 2015 Convention) available to GPLA members and members of sister Associations!! Go to the GPLA web site (gpla.org) and click on "GPLA Scholarships" in the left panel for full information and downloadable applications. Take advantage of this member benefit!

Look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

Fraternally,

Orvis A Kline, CPL, CAL
President, GPLA



Attention

All New Jersey Locksmith Licensee's South Jersey Locksmiths Association

Is having a class on Barrier Free Code, New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, Americans with Disabilities Act Code, Industrial Safety, and NJ Locksmith License Law. This class will give you ten CEU credits and fulfill the minimum required by the state of New Jersey on these five subjects. You will receive 10 CEU Hours towards your 2016 requirements. Each student will receive a code book.

When: Wednesday, April 29, 2015

Time: 7:30am to 5:30pm

Location: Winslow Family Diner
491 Williamstown Rd
Sicklerville, NJ 08081
Phone 856-875-4700

Instructor: Thomas Demont

Price: Members SJLA/GPLA/MLA \$150.00 / Non Members \$175.00 / Lunch included

Breakfast will be available during the class at the student's expense

For Class Info Contact: Jim Sundstrond at 856-854-5200

For Payment Info Contact: Fred Steinman at 609-927-5539

*****Payment must be made by April 24th to ensure receipt of your CEU certificate*****

Class Starts Promptly at 7:30am. No one will be admitted after 7:30am. No Exceptions!!

Must Bring ID and NJ State License to insure CEU Credits

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NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015

GPLA HEADQUARTERS
8015 CRAIG STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA

SCHEDULED PROGRAM:

MURRAY BILKER INSTRUCTS:

Commercial Door Servicing

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