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PRESIDENTIAL VIEWPOINT

This month's meeting is our annual Headquarters clean up meeting! With a decent turn out, the cleanup doesn't take long and refreshes our meeting location! Please honor us with your presence!

There are some rewards (in addition to a clean Headquarters). Chef Clifford, our perennial Chef Extraordinaire, has been invited to exhibit his talents in Florida this year (actually – he's teaching a class in Florida) and young Chef Pierre Kline has volunteered (sort of) to step into the breach and provide us with our usual culinary extravaganza!! I can personally attest to his grill skills!! Join us for food, drink and a little work!

This will be our last meeting before we take a break for the summer. I expect our newest applicant for membership, Nick Denaro to be in attendance. Be sure to introduce yourself to Nick and ask him any questions you may have. I want to thank Bruce Wallen for volunteering to man the GPLA Booth at the Pennsylvania Burglar and Fire Alarm Association show in Reading.

I was a little disappointed that one of our members, Marty Arnold, offered to present a class on Safe Deposit lock servicing, and had to cancel it due to poor attendance!! This was a very affordable chance to gain some knowledge in this subject – and not enough folks cared about it to allow for a class to be run! I would ask you – what exactly are you looking for from your association? Please let me know so that I may try to provide what you want!

Reminder -- Our new GPLA Convention Chairman, Cliff Shafer, and his committee have been busy getting the 2014 Convention platform off the ground. They have chosen a theme for this year's convention – "The European Locksmith Federation – Celebrating 30 Years". Mark your calendars for classes on September 10th, 11th and 12th and our trade show and Banquet on Saturday, September 13th.

See you on the 16th.

Fraternally,
Orvis A Kline, CPL, CAL
President, GPLA

Minutes of the May 2014 GPLA General Membership Meeting

The May GPLA General Membership Meeting was held at Headquarters May 19, 2014, and was called to order by President Orvis Kline at 7:30 pm. There were 2 guests, John Voorhees from Haddon Lock and Jay Norton of Master Lock.

Program: Jay Norton gave a presentation on the Master Lock line, with emphasis on safety products, their new door lock line, and some other new products.

Minutes: Cliff Shafer made a motion, seconded by Tony Buenaflor, to accept the previous meeting's minutes as published in the newsletter. It passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Martin Arnold announced that the Board had accepted his report at their last meeting, and that due to the presence of guests tonight the report would not be announced. The report is available to any member in good standing on request.

Correspondence In & Out: Paul Kline – None. Cliff said that the PBFAA had emailed him and offered free booth space for GPLA at their upcoming convention on June 12 in Reading.

President's Report: Orvis asked for volunteers to man our booth at PBFAA, and Bruce Wallen offered. Joe Reustle was congratulated on his election to the SAVTA board of directors; Just Cars had over 600 attendees.

Health & Welfare: Orvis was scheduled for surgery later this week. It should be straightforward.

Newsletter: Mike Nimmo is seriously looking for articles contributed by members, and has offered to help write them.

Convention: Cliff Shafer reported all is on track for our convention to be held September 9-13, 2014. So far, Allegion and Lockmasters will be Gold sponsors, and Clark Security and Kaba will also be sponsors. Bob and Dee Mock are off to the ELF convention, and will present our plaque congratulating them on their 30th anniversary and inviting them to our convention. John Williams reported on the classes, which will include master-keying, advanced access control, basic safe, high security auto, and car remotes.

Membership: Mike Nimmo reported the Board has approved Nick Denaro's application. Having missed this meeting, Nick will now attend 2 out of the next 3 meetings after which the membership will hold the formal vote. Orvis encouraged everyone to attend these meetings so they can meet Nick.

Building: none.

Legislation PA/NJ: none

Holiday Party: Paul Kline reported the date will be Sunday, December 14, from 4-8 pm at the Pennsauken Country Club.

Program: Mark Bolno reported the June meeting will be our annual clean up and cookout meeting. Master chef Cliff Shafer has reported that he will not be able to attend, so Paul will be doing the grilling. Also, at that meeting Barry Wilensky will be conducting a mini Multi-Lock class and rekey our entrance locks with Restricted keys provided by Bill Young. July and August we are off, September will be Cliff and Mike leading a program on safes, and in October John Truempy will return with another program.

Old Business: There is still no solution yet to the PECO problem, as the landlord is still away.

New Business: None

Good of the Association: Marty Arnold is teaching a safe deposit lock course on June 14 at headquarters. Class size is limited. John reported that CPLA won a 5-day scholarship award to ALOA, but since none of their members are desirous of using it they are offering it to GPLA. The Delaware Valley chapter of ILA is dissolving. June 10 will probably be their last meeting. GPLA, SJLA, and Lehigh Valley ILA are hoping to absorb those members. Walter Lascar called Ed Fitzgerald to say hi to GPLA.

50/50: Several people won various prizes.

There was a motion to adjourn at 9:08 pm by Marty Arnold, seconded by John Williams, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Nelson Dayton, Recording Secretary

Membership Applicant to be considered at Future Meeting:

<i>Nicholas Denaro</i>	<i>Apprentice Member</i>	<i>Sponsor: Dana Barnum</i>
South Penn Lock & Safe		



GPLA Vice President Mike Nimmo (right) presents a plaque to SJLA President Jim Sundstrond commemorating the association's 25 years of Dedication to Education in the Locksmith Profession at the May 3rd Gala Event at the Renault Winery.

Calendar of Events

June 16	GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
Sept 10-13	GPLA Convention & Exhibit	Philadelphia, PA

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NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2014

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SCHEDULED PROGRAM:

HEADQUARTERS CLEAN-UP

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