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Attention all GPLA Members:

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

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

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PRESIDENTIAL VIEWPOINT

If you missed the January 19th General Membership meeting – you missed an excellent, thought provoking session with John Truempy's presentation of "Scattershooting and Legal Ethics". More than several people at the meeting (self included) went "Hmmm – I never thought of that!". For example – can you be sued for NOT installing a double cylinder deadbolt??? If you were at the meeting – you know the answer!!

Congratulations to our new Active Member, Nick Denaro, Nick was unanimously approved by the membership present! Welcome, Nick, as an Active Member of GPLA!! Hmmm – committee possibilities???

Cliff Shafer, our General Chairman for the 2015 GPLA Convention (September 30th through October 3rd) had a very productive Committee meeting where the theme for the upcoming convention was chosen. I have also just learned that Cliff, working from the UK where he's teaching, has obtained an Honorary Chairman!! I'll defer to Cliff to announce this!

Our program for our General Membership Meeting on Monday, February 16th, 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!!

I'd like to remind everyone that GPLA has scholarship's (two full days of classes at our 2015 Convention) available to GPLA

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Minutes of the January 2015 GPLA General Membership Meeting

The January GPLA General Membership Meeting was held at Headquarters January 19, 2015, and was called to order by President Orvis Kline at 7:33 pm. Bruce Wallen led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 4 guests, instructors John Truempy and Mary Kay Hamilton, Clark sales representative Scott Roop, and former member Nick Lonchar.

Program: John Truempy gave a 1-hour presentation on locksmithing ethics, as relates to business practices and building codes.

Minutes: Motion by Cliff Shafer to accept the minutes as published, seconded by Dana Barnum, and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Martin Arnold was absent, so Orvis reported that the current finance report was approved at the recent Board meeting.

Correspondence In & Out: None, other than an email to Orvis from Gary Eckersall.

President's Report: Orvis reported he was happy with the meeting turnout. Daood Nasir is retiring. There was some discussion about having to pay for auto key codes now.

Health & Welfare: Cliff reported that Ed Fitzgerald had been in the hospital for a day or two, but it turned out to be nothing serious. Also, Ron Blevins' mom passed away.

Newsletter: Mike Nimmo is looking for someone to take his place, as he continues to be swamped at work with extensive travel requirements.

Convention: Cliff announced the first committee meeting will be Jan. 29, and next year's convention will be September 30 – October 3.

Membership: Mike reported that Gabriel Kanes of Exelkey has passed the vetting procedures and will now be submitted for the background check. Scott Roop submitted his application for membership. Shop Member Nick Denaro was voted in as a full member by unanimous vote. Since originally submitting his Apprentice membership application he has accumulated 5 certificates, and since all the other requirements for membership are the same, his application was changed to Active Member.

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

Program: Mark Bolno is looking for a replacement as chairman. Meantime, Mark suggested maybe a member who specializes in a certain area, or who has a few time saving techniques, could give a short program. Murray Bilker is working on putting a program together.

Good of the Association: Orvis mentioned Just Cars, and so Joe Reustle mentioned SAVTA.

50/50: Several people won various prizes.

At 9:12 pm the President called for a motion to adjourn. Sven Hellwig made the motion, seconded by Barry, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Dayton, Recording Secretary

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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

Calendar of Events

February 16	GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
March 16	GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
April 20	GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
April 20-25	SAVTA Convention	Reno, NV

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NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2015

GPLA HEADQUARTERS
8015 CRAIG STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA

SCHEDULED PROGRAM:

Murray Bilker presents

“Commercial Door Servicing”

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