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#### <u>WIN</u> a LAB pinning kit – by just attending a GPLA Membership Meeting

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## The Professional Locksmith

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#### **BARRY'S BABBLINGS**

It's May and spring, if you can believe it. The days are getting longer and the work load heavier. I have a bunch of new home owners who buy houses in the spring and summer. Either the locks need to be rekeyed for the seller (so the Realtor can get in easily), or the buyer (so they can have peace of mind that the Realtor, or contractor, or old owner doesn't have a key). These everyday jobs are the bread and butter of our business.

The question is ... are you charging enough? Are you or your company charging what you are worth? Are you a professional, and billing appropriately? Whether you are doing safe work or commercial door work, the question is still the same.

Recently, my GE Profile oven stopped working. I called my local appliance repairman who had just fixed my washing machine a week or so earlier. His bill, by the way, was \$189 for parts and labor. He did not want to touch the oven, and suggested I call GE repair. GE repair allowed me to book on line. GE service called to confirm both the appointment and ask the nature of the problem. The option of "broiler won't light" wasn't in the scroll down menu.

A service fee of \$115, plus \$80 for an igniter, and \$95 to install the part was the initial quote. The technician arrived,

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#### Minutes of the April 2016 GPLA General Membership Meeting

The April 2016 GPLA General Membership Meeting was held at the GPLA Headquarters on April 18, 2016 and was called to order at 7:33 PM by President Barry Wilensky.

Sergeant at Arms Nicholas Denaro led us off with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Barry Wilensky welcomed the following guests Alex Howe and Nate Denver from Allegion, Sven Hellwig Jr. sponsored by Ron Marcinkowski and Michael Khutsishvili sponsored by Murray Bilker.

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** There was an update to the minutes as published.

Under Membership: Due to their sad passing the following three people were removed from Retired Status: #88 Edward Dornnisch, #78 Joel Golden and #35 Isadore Chakov (not just Removed from Retired Status)

A motion by Cliff Shafer to accept the minutes as corrected with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Murray Bilker and was passed unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Marty Arnold stated that there isn't a treasurer's report because there wasn't a GPLA Board meeting in the month of April.

<u>Correspondence In and Out:</u> The Corresponding secretary, Mike Nimmo could not make it to the meeting but he informed Barry that he sent out the GPLA newsletters, received the Florida Locksmith newsletter and also receives a copy of the New York Masters Locksmith newsletter, which he will bring to the next meeting. Orvis Kline received a letter from ALOA asking about Mike Nimmo and wanted information on an article he wrote.

**President's Report:** Barry Wilensky received an email from NBC asking for permission to use Gerald Connelly's picture from GPLA web page for a news article they are writing on Mr. Connelly.

**Education:** Cliff Shafer noted that on April 9 the mandatory licensing Life Safety course ran even though the attendance minimum was not met. Cliff also noted that on June 25 there will be a course at GPLA headquarters on Blueprint Reading and Hardware Scheduling. This course will be presented by John Truempy and Vernon Kelley.

<u>Convention:</u> Sven Hellwig stated that everything is on track for a great convention. Sven noted that there has been one committee meeting getting things rolling and the GPLA convention web site is up and running with all the up to date information. The convention theme this year is "Keeping Up With The Rapidly Changing Technology In Automotive Security". The Friday night social will be a Western theme.

**Building:** Barry stated that there is a call in to the landlord to replace some of the worn tiles.

**Membership:** Sven Hellwig Jr. put in an application as a GPLA Shop member.

**Legislation:** Nothing to report.

Bob Mock informed the GPLA general assembly about ALOA scholarships available and how the scholarships helped new Locksmiths in the past. Marty Arnold also noted that GPLA has scholarships available and there is a lack of applications.

Nate Denver and Alex Howe from Allegion gave a very informative presentation on Allegion's new line of door closers. Nate and Alex also discussed how their Wi-Fi lock system in now able to work both as an indoor and outdoor locking system.

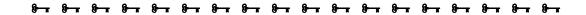
<u>Unfinished Business:</u> Orvis Kline asked convention Chairmen to inform him of updates on the convention so that he can post them on the convention website.

**New Business:** Nothing to report.

<u>Good of the Association:</u> Just Cars will be held in Orlando, Florida on April 29-30, 2016 and SAVTA will be held in Lexington, Kentucky on May 16-21, 2016. Barry stated that his father, Bernard thanked everyone for his 98<sup>th</sup> birthday card. Barry was saddened to hear that Sven just lost his brother and warmly stated our hearts, feelings and support go out to Sven.

50/50: The amount of \$47 was won as was various prizes were distributed

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Murray Bilker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Kline and was carried unanimously at 8.14 PM.



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had the part on his truck, and from start to finish was finished in 25 minutes. He wrote the bill up as a maintenance package (parts & labor together) and saved me about \$40. The last and final appliance repair this month was my refrigerator. After a weekend away, I came home to no lights, no ice, and no controls working. I checked the plug, outlet, and breaker. No problems there. This time I called Kitchenaid. I made an appointment and supplied them with the model # and serial #. They sent a factory subcontractor out(1 technician & 1 helper). The charge was \$109 cash only whether the problem could be resolved or not. They pulled the refrigerator out from the very tight built in space and found it was dripping in the back onto the control board. The refrigerator is 10 years old and even if the control board is replaced the leak will continue and damage the new board. Their answer was to get a new refrigerator. Only \$2999 for the one I need. They pushed the refrigerator partially back, and as they left it started to work! The lights came on, the ice maker started and the controls lit up. Magic... Only costs... \$109 cash.

My point is all these trip charges (service fees) were in the \$100 range. Is that where you are starting? Think about it. With your parts and labor are you getting \$150 or more? Think about it. Aren't you worth it? Think about it.

See you at our next meeting. Thanks to everyone that showed up last month for our program and by-law vote.

Happy Cinco de Mayo! Happy Mother's Day! Happy Memorial Day! Your President, Barry Wilensky, CRL



## WIN a LAB Color Passport .003 Pinning Kit!!

Donated by Jerry Roraback of LAB, this kit will be awarded at the November 2016 Membership Meeting

**How to win:** Every GPLA member who attends each of the May, June, September, October and November General Membership Meetings will receive a raffle ticket for each individual meeting. Those who attend all 5 meetings will receive an additional single \*bonus\* ticket. A corresponding stub will be placed in a bin and randomly selected at the November meeting to declare the winner. There will be only one winner.

Who is eligible to win: Only GPLA members in good standing are eligible to win. GPLA Officers and Board Members are not eligible to win.

Where/When to win: The more you attend over the next 5 meetings, the greater your chance to win. And ... you must be present to win at the November meeting. So come out and support <u>your</u> Association and win!!

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Security Canada Atlantic Moncton, New Brunswick September 21, 2016

Sept 28-Oct 1

Security Canada Central Toronto, Ontario October 19-20, 2016

Philadelphia, PA

## **Calendar of Events**

GPLA General Membership Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
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Blueprint Reading Class – CEU class	Philadelphia, PA
SAVTA Convention & Tradeshow	Lexington, KY
ALOA Convention & Security Expo	Orlando, FL
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**GPLA Convention & Tradeshow** 



## The Greater Philadelphia Locksmiths Association

GPLA is pleased to present a NJ Locksmith Licensing Board Approved 8-CEU Course:

### **Blueprint Reading and Hardware Scheduling**

Instructors: John Truempy, ICML, CRL, CMIL, IFDI Vernon Kelley, ICML, CPL, CFDI, CMIL, IFDI

Date & Time: Saturday, June 25, 2016 - 8 am to 5:00 pm

**Location:** GPLA Headquarters, located at 8014 Craig St. Philadelphia, PA, 19136.

Cost per Person: GPLA, ILA-DVC, MLANJ and SJLA Members: \$80.00 Non-Members: \$130.00

Class Description: This class is appropriate for all skill levels and is intended for any locksmith who does work on new construction projects. In this 1-day class, students will learn how to read and interpret blueprints, and how to read a hardware schedule. Students will also learn to create a hardware specification based on life safety codes, industry standards and the customer's needs. A GPLA certificate suitable for framing will be awarded to all students. NJ locksmith license holders will receive a 8 CEU certificate for their 2016 NJ State Locksmith License renewal.

Lunch will be provided.

NJ Locksmiths – You MUST bring yo	our license to class to receive credit.
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Name:	
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M. Leonard Singer

#### GPLA MEMBER APPLICATION FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

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#### **NEXT MEETING:**

#### MONDAY, MAY 16 LIGHT SNACKS 7:15 MEETING BEGINS AT 7:30

GPLA Headquarters 8015 Craig Street, Philadelphia, PA

**SCHEDULED PROGRAM: TBA** 

\*\* NEW contest begins \*\*
Win a LAB pinning kit
See page 4 & 5 for details

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