



Garfield-Perry Stamp Club

Founded 1890

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PROSPECTUS: 134th ANNUAL MARCH PARTY AND EXHIBITION

GENERAL INFORMATION

MARCH PARTY 2024 will be held Friday, March 15, through Sunday, March 17, 2024, at the Best Western Plus - Strongsville, 15471 Royalton Rd., Strongsville, OH 44136. All social events will take place at that venue. For hotel reservations telephone 440-238-8800. **Show rate is \$114 per night prior to Feb. 22 , 2024.** Airport shuttle service is available upon request.

Activities include a show hospitality room Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, a Wine & Cheese Social on Friday after the show closes, and a Saturday complimentary Exhibitors and Judges Luncheon. **There will be an Awards Banquet, tickets \$60 each.**

MARCH PARTY 2024 is an **A.P.S. World Series of Philately (WSP) qualified show** with the Grand Award and One-Frame winners eligible to compete in the respective Champion of Champions competitions.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. This exhibit is open to all individual exhibitors who conform to the rules in this prospectus. Material exhibited must be the property of the exhibitor. Exhibits with dual (other than husband, wife and child) or corporate ownership are not eligible.
2. You should mail your Entry Form(s) as early as practical but not later than Jan. 15, 2024, to be considered for acceptance at March Party 2024. You must include a title page and synopsis to be accepted.
3. The exhibit consists of three classes. You must designate your exhibit's class.
 - a) Open Competition – 2 to 10 frames.
 - b) Youth Exhibits – for exhibitors 18 and under as of Jan. 1, 2024. No frame fees will be charged for youth exhibits. A parent or guardian must sign the entry form.
 - c.) One-Frame Exhibits.
4. You may enter one exhibit from either class a) or b) and one exhibit from class c). You must mail a separate entry form for each exhibit, along with the entry fee of **\$25.00** for the first frame and **\$11.00** for each additional frame, to Gregory Shoults, address noted above. Please make checks payable to the "Garfield-Perry Stamp Club." Applications will be reviewed by the G-P Exhibits Committee. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any exhibit at its discretion. Exhibits shown at the last two March Party shows will not be accepted unless frames remain available on January 15 or significant changes have been made since the last showing. Fees paid will be refunded in the event of non-acceptance, but will not be refunded after an exhibit has been accepted.

FRAME SIZE AND CAPACITY

5. Each frame measures 36" x 48" and will hold sixteen 8-½"x11" pages arranged in four horizontal rows of four pages. Slightly larger pages can be accommodated with some overlapping. To exhibit large or odd-sized pages you must obtain prior approval from the Committee unless you will be present to mount and dismount the exhibit. Exhibitors must use page protectors. We strongly recommend numbering exhibit pages to assure proper mounting sequence.

DELIVERY AND RETURN OF EXHIBIT'S

6. If you are sending your exhibit, you should ship it to arrive no later than March 12. You may ship your exhibit(s) to **1053 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221, c/o Rocco Caponi. Please notify exhibits chairman Greg Shoults at coilcollector@hotmail.com if you ship your exhibit.**
7. If you are bringing your exhibit to the March Party, you should plan to arrive at the Best Western Plus - Strongsville between 1:00 and 5:00 PM on Thursday, March 14. Committee members will mount your exhibit if you wish, or you may mount it yourself.
8. No exhibit will be removed from frames until the show closes at 3:00 PM Sunday and only after the exhibit area is clear of all visitors including exhibitors. In most years, all exhibitors present at the show closing have completed their exhibit removal by 3:30 PM. Exhibitors are expected to arrange their personal travel schedule or the method for return of their exhibit accordingly. Out-of-town exhibitors will be given preference at the discretion of the Committee. One designated Committee member will control the order of exhibit breakdown and will call for the exhibitor to participate in dismounting when it is his or her turn. An exhibitor may not remove an exhibit except in the presence of a Committee member.
9. At the close of the show, unless otherwise instructed, the Committee will return exhibits by Federal Express, next day priority. Exhibitors are obligated to pay return costs.

INSURANCE AND SECURITY

10. Owners must provide their own insurance. Garfield-Perry supplies professional, around-the-clock security during the entire show. However, each exhibitor, by entering the exhibit, does and shall agree that no responsibility for any loss shall be attached to the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club or the Best Western Plus - Strongsville, including their officers, members, volunteers or employees.

JUDGING

11. All exhibits will be judged by a panel of A.P.S. accredited judges, and their decisions will be final. Each exhibit will be judged on its own merits by applying the standards in the most recent edition of *The APS Manual of Philatelic Judging and Exhibiting*.
12. The jury panel will be listed at www.garfieldperry.org prior to the show.

AWARDS

13. Judges will award a One-frame Grand Award, and a multi-frame Grand Award and Reserve Grand Award. Judges will also award **Large Gold, Gold, Large Vermeil,**

Vermeil, Large Silver, Silver, Silver-Bronze and Bronze medals without regard to exhibit classification.

14. Judges will also award Garfield-Perry Stamp Club special awards for the best exhibits in the following categories: United States, Foreign, Postal History, Thematic, and Best Exhibit by an Active Garfield-Perry Member.
15. Society awards will be awarded as available and at the discretion of the jury.

GENERAL

16. **Exhibit titles and exhibitors' names will be listed on the website and in show publicity, the show program and the palmares.** You may indicate on the Entry Form whether or not to include your name in the Show Program and other show publicity. Your exhibit may be anonymous or under a pseudonym but you must provide your identity to the Exhibit Committee.
17. Exhibitors are to supply the Committee with one (1) electronic copy (PDF format) of the title page, and synopsis with the Entry Form, or as soon thereafter as practical. Title pages, synopses, and revisions will be forwarded to the judges as received. One copy of each will be forwarded to the APRL. The Committee may request additional paper copies of title pages and synopses, if needed. Any title pages, synopses or revisions received after February 15, 2024, may be ignored by the jury at their sole discretion.
18. All banquet attendees must make a reservation for the Awards Banquet by noon, March 15, 2024.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM - 2024 GARFIELD-PERRY MARCH PARTY EXHIBIT

The exact title of the exhibit: _____

Short description of exhibit: _____

Check the box if you are a member of: Garfield-Perry S.C.

Class: ___ General (Open) Competition ___ One-Frame ___ Youth – age ___ (as of 1/1/24)

___ Check if **novice exhibitor** (no prior WSP experience)

My exhibit pages are letter size ___ or my exhibit pages are a special size as follows: _____

First Frame fee (\$25): \$25.00
Additional frames: _____ x \$11: _____
Banquet ticket(s): _____ x \$60: _____
Return postage funds _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Will deliver exhibit: ___ In Person ___ By Other Delivery _____

Will pick up exhibit: ___ In Person ___ By Agent (Name _____)

___ Please return my exhibit. Type of service desired _____ Insurance Amount _____

I will attend the complimentary Exhibitors and Judges Luncheon Yes ___ No ___

My name ___ may ___ may not be listed in the show program.

My name ___ may ___ may not be listed in the palmars.

My name ___ may ___ may not be listed in other show publicity (including GP website).

I understand that the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club and its members assume no responsibility in the event of damage to an exhibit or for loss or theft. Signing this entry form denotes acceptance of the above and the rules governing the exhibition. I agree that the decision of the judges shall be final, and release and agree to hold harmless the judges, the American Philatelic Society and the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, its officers, directors, employees, and representatives from any damages, including but not limited to damages to my reputation or that of my exhibit, suffered or incurred as a result of the judging.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____ @ _____

Committee use only

Date exhibit received _____

Exhibit mounted by _____

Exhibit dismounted by _____

