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Monthly Newsletter

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The President's Dispatch

I was sorry to miss the June meeting, but I had a granddaughter's graduation to attend in California.

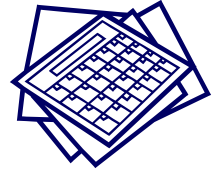
Dan did a superb job of preparing for and conducting the meeting in my absence. The collection of Ruth Gott's friend sold for \$410.00 and in the process generated \$205.00 for our club. There are a number of people to thank for this. First, thanks to Ruth and her friend who shared the proceeds with our club. Second, thanks to Van O. who generously donated the time and effort to identify the stamps for Ruth. Finally, thanks to Dan who remounted them in a stock book to facilitate viewing and made sure everyone had a chance to look at them before the auction. This collection plus other items in the auction brought a good turn out for the meeting (20+ members) where seven sellers sold 49 items. See picture to the right.

We also had several interesting items brought for members to view. Stephen Schmidt brought an example of a Scott No. UX1 postcard to show and Richard Lockman brought prepaid permitted postal covers from the 1960s that had postage due stamps applied. Bob Smith announced that the American Philatelic Society (APS) has a new program that rebates \$5.00 to clubs for every member of a club who joins the APS as a new member.

It is with regret that we say goodbye to member Stephen Shively who is moving to South Carolina. Stephen donated a number of journals to our club library from the German Philatelic Society (100s of journals), Japan Philatelic Society (approximately 50 journals) and Ethiopian Philatelic Society (25 to 30 journals). Dan will bring examples to the May meeting for the members to look at. See Dan



Club Calendar



Guests and Visitors always Welcome!

July 16th - 7 p.m.
Monthly Meeting

See President's Dispatch for details

about checking any of these journals out.

Our next club meeting will be at the Northeast State Community College Student Services Building on Thursday (July 16) at 7 PM. We will continue with special auctions, so, bring your items to the July club meeting (now a maximum of 20 per person). Please fill out the special auction sheets for your lots in advance. Please bring two copies of your auction sheets and mark the lots accordingly. July is a month with five Thursdays so we will also have a club bourse on Thursday (July 30) at 7 PM.

I am looking forward to seeing you twice this month.

Dick





Monthly Treasury Report

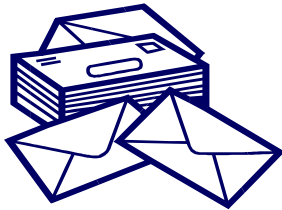
Balance on hand May 2015		\$1,402.36
Income during June		\$ 255.93
Stamp Sales	\$ 12.42	
Cash Donations	\$ 8.51	
APS Dues Rebate	\$ 5.00	
2015 Dues Paid	\$ 20.00	
Ruth's Donation	\$ 210.00	
Expenses during June		\$ 13.01
Newsletter	\$ 13.01	
Balance on hand end of June 2015		\$1,645.28

FYI: The June special auction contained 103 lots from 7 members and 49 of the lots sold for a total of \$566.08.

Stamps of the Month

by your newsletter editor

In last month's newsletter I wrote about French stamps used on catapult mail from French passenger ships and a little bit about German catapult mail. This month I thought I would write more about German catapult mail. The North German Lloyd Line started catapult mail using a HE 2 seaplane during west and east crossings of the Atlantic Ocean by the *S/S Bremen* in 1929. A catapult was then added to *S/S Europa*. The *S/S Columbus* also delivered mail by seaplane but the seaplane was not launched by catapult. These ships delivered mail via seaplanes during most Atlantic crossings in the summer months from 1930 until 1935. (The *S/S Columbus* did not deliver mail via seaplane in 1934 and 1935.) The ships started at Bremerhafen, then Cherbourg and then to New York City. There were feeder flights to Cherbourg which allowed mail to catch up with the ships before they left Cherbourg. Seaplanes took off when ships were about 500 kilometers from New York. On the eastbound crossings the seaplanes usually took off for Southampton. Sometimes they went to Köln or Bremerhafen. The surcharge to deliver a letter from Germany to New York City in this way started out at 50 Rpf. pr. 20 in 1929. In 1935 the surcharge was 25 Rpf pr. 20. In 1936 the Germany switched to using zeppelins to carry the mail across the Atlantic Ocean.



Unless otherwise indicated by announcement in the newsletter, Holston Stamp Club conducts its regular meeting on the third Thursday each month at 7 p.m.

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OUR MEETING LOCATION
Student Services Building at Northeast State Community College
Located near the Tri-Cities Airport
OUR INTERNET WEBSITE
www.sefsc.org/holston-stamp-club.html

CLASSIFIED SECTION

Items Holston Stamp Club members are interested in selling.

Charlie (Dr. Rocks) Bartlett, is having a STAMP EXTRA SUPER SALE.

U. S. Stamps—Mint (mostly never hinged)
U. S. Stamps—Used
British Commonwealth (from A to Z)
World Countries: 6 Albums (from A to Z)
Mostly at 20% of Catalogue Value (some less)
Plus extra 10% discount when purchase exceeds \$50.00

Isn't it easier to leisurely compare the empty spots in your album when you search my extras (so you don't buy duplicates)?

Bring your album(s) to my office, and I will bring my extra book(s) for you to search slowly.

I have a full set of Scott's 2012 catalogues to use.

Call me for an appointment at (276) 628-4136 at my office, 432 East Main Street, Suite G, Abingdon, Virginia (or I may be able to meet you at another location).

P.S. I can even loan you one or more of these extras books for a month if that will suit you better! I trust all HSC members to return books in a timely manner so others can use them.

Items Holston Stamp Club members are interested in buying

Dan Hubbard is always looking to purchase used stock books of all types. Contact me directly or bring them to the next meeting.

Don Ashley (e-mail dwa7@bvunet.net) wants the following:

Uncached FDCs: any quantity, preferred left side free of address. Address centered or to the right side and open flap highly desired. Please advise what you have available.

Also interested in dual FDCs for joint issues with foreign countries.

Ed Ferber is buying and selling government postal cards - US, Possessions, Canada, Caribbean islands, WW. Interested in mint and used, collections or individual cards, early or contemporary use. Greatest interest in illustrated advertisement and unusual usage (e.g.: rare foreign destination, auxiliary marking, special delivery). Please contact Ed at my.collie.dog@gmail.com or his 302-593-4192 cell phone.

Ed Ferber also desires collections or individual postal stationery items in mint, pre-printed or used condition that are unusual in some way. Seeking specialty items such as EFO, plate variety, poor inking, mis-cut, fold-over, illustrated advertisement, exposition, twice used, special delivery, postage due, auxiliary marking (missent, damaged, train late and others). Also want contemporary cards properly used in rate period with solid postmarks.

Bob Smith is looking for early USA stamps, mostly Scott No. 500 and earlier in both mint and used. See Bob at the meeting for want list.

Holston Stamp Club Special Auction – Lot Owner List

Owner Name _____ Owner Initials xx _____ Please print or type.

Owner Initials xx	Lot #	Catalog # and/or Description	Catalog Value	Catalog Used	Minimum Bid \$	Winning Bidder #	Winning Bid \$
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