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Monthly Newsletter

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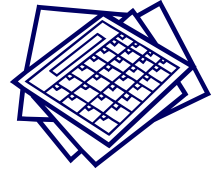
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President - Dick Odum Vice President - Dan Hubbard Secretary - Bob Smith Treasurer - Stephen Schmidt



## Club Calendar



*Guests and Visitors always Welcome!*

**July 21st - 7 p.m.**  
Monthly Meeting

*See President's Dispatch for details*

## *The President's Dispatch*

June was a very productive month for the Club. We had a well attended meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> followed by our best ever course on the 30<sup>th</sup>. I would like to make a special **Thank You** to the Nominating Committee, headed by Richard Jackson and supported by Richard Lockman and Van VanNostrand, who reported that they have slate of candidates for the August election as follows: Stephen Schmidt - President, Don Ashley - Vice President, Pat Koppel - Secretary and Richard Jackson -Treasurer. Any other member is welcome to nominate others or place himself or herself on the ballot. Paul Benson gave a interesting report on what he found when he attended the World Stamp Show in New York City. Dan Hubbard stated that he and Richard Jackson were headed to the American Philatelic Society "Stamp Camp" and they would a report on it at the July meeting. Bob Smith indicated to the members that he is focusing his collecting interests and as a result would be selling off part of his collection. We then proceeded to the special auction, which included 40 lots of Club owned material as well as a significant number of member lots. I am happy to say that all of the Club lots sold. The first 20 lots were the residual of the Club's purchase in 2015 and the final accounting indicates the Club completely recovered its investment and made a little money for the treasury. The second 20 lots were from the Club's purchase at KnoxPex earlier this year. This is the third straight month of sellouts on that material indicating the Club will quickly recover its investment there as well and a significant number of club members' collections are being enriched in the process.

The fifth Thursday bourse on the 30<sup>th</sup> was the best attended yet

and a significant number of members brought material to sell or trade. As one can see in the following picture.



We also had a visit from Mary and Bob Douglas who wanted to dispense with part of a collection Mary had inherited from her father. After examining what they had brought, an impromptu auction got underway and Charlie Bartlett was the successful buyer. This activity was followed by an excellent briefing by Richard Jackson titled, "The Story of the Legends of the West Design Error and Subsequent Recall". I always learn something from Richard and this time I learned the term "bulldogging", a steer

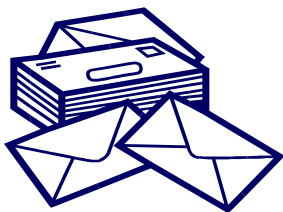
## *President's dispatch continued*

wrestling event in rodeos, originated with Bill Pickett who is the cowboy depicted on the second stamp on the second row on the USPS' 1994 Legends of the West miniature sheet. Mr. Pickett was very successful at bulldogging because he would bite a steer's lip to subdue it while he wrestled it to the ground. It was reported he observed dogs biting the lip of a steer to assist cowboys when they had to chase down stray steers. When USPS prepared the stamps that made up the Legends of the West, the picture selected for Bill Pickett was from history books but turned out the history books were wrong. USPS recalled the miniature sheets and redesigned the stamp for Bill Pickett, along with minor changes to the other stamps on the miniature sheet that depicted western legends, and reissued. Some original sheets were made available to the public. Charlie Bartlett followed with a description of what he is doing to make his duplicate stamps more accessible to club members. He showed the first couple albums that he had assembled which he will offer to members to view and buy from at future meetings.

Our next regular club meeting will be at the Northeast State Community College Student Services building on July 21 (beginning at 7 PM). We will continue with special auctions so bring your items to the July meeting (now a maximum of 20 per member). Please fill out the special auction sheet for your lots in advance (two copies please) and mark the lots accordingly.

See you there!

*Dick*



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.

**Hope to C. U. there**

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## *Treasurer's Report*

Balance on hand end of May 2016 \$2,481.23

## *Interesting Facts about Mail* *by your newsletter editor*

Did you know that camels have been used in many places all over the world to carry mail? These include locations that you may think are where camels are known to thrive which are Northern Africa, the Middle East and Central Asia. Camels were also used to carry mail in Western Australia, Southern Australia and Soviet Central Asia. Surprisingly camels were also used to carry mail here in the USA in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Camels were known to move faster, carry more freight and require less water and forage than horses or mules.



## *Stamps in Movies* *by your newsletter editor*

One of the newest fantasy/adventure movies of the summer is a joint project of Walt Disney Pictures, Dreamworks and Amblin Entertainment. The movie opened on July 1st. It's name is *The BFG*. The story for the movie comes from a very popular book for children with the same name written by Roald Dahl published in 1982. The story is about Sophie a 10-year-old girl living in an orphanage set in London at the time when the book was written who encounters a 24 foot tall giant outside of the orphanage one night and their subsequent adventures. The movie has not received good reviews but it looked like an interesting story, so, my wife and I went to see it along with some of our children and grandchildren. Early in the movie Sophie picks up mail from the mail slot in the front door of the orphanage and places the letters upright in a stand on a desk. Prominently shown on three or four envelopes as might be expected were different Great Britain Queen Elizabeth II Machin head stamps.



## 2016 Club Members

Don Ashley	Charlene McLeod
Charlie Bartlett, Jr.	David Mielke
Paul Benson	Sheila Morton
Dennis Bowman	Dick Odum
John Bradshaw, Jr.	Jay Pfeiffer
Wayne Cates	Angela Rasnake
Scott Chamberlain	Luther Rhodes
Mike Chesman	Lewis Roop
Gregory Cousins	Grant Rowland
Charles Davis	Steve Schmidt
Edward deBary	Kaly Schmidt
Dalton Gott	Calyb Schmidt
Ruth Gott	Thomas Simonson
Wayne Gourley	Marianne Simonson
Bruce Hatch	Bob Smith
Robert Haynie	Bob Soeder
Steve Helton	James Spurlock
Elmer Holcomb	John Tulloch
Dan Hubbard	Tom Ucciardi
Richard Jackson	Van (A. F.) VanNostrand, Sr.
Pat Koppel	George White
Richard Lockman	Chris White
Jesse Mason	Rex Whitfield
Jerry Mathisen	Lori Williams
Jack McDavid	

# 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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