The Chattanooga **Stamp Chronicle**

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Official Journal of the Chattanooga Stamp Club

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE HICKORY VALLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 6605 SHALLOWFORD RD., CHATTANOOGA, TN. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM, MEETING BEGINS AT 7:30 PM -- VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

August 11	Monthly Meeting
Program	
September 8	Monthly Meeting
Program	John Burnett

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Chattanooga Stamp Club memberships are on a calendar year basis. Yearly dues are \$10.00; send all monetary donations and membership dues to the club's Treasurer:

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THE CHATTANOOGA STAMP CHRONICLE

The Chattanooga Stamp Club is affiliated with the American Philatelic Society. The club has been dedicated to the study, preservation, and promotion of the philatelic hobby since 1932.

SOUTHEAST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

The Southeast Federation web site is a source for information about stamp collecting activities in the region. Visit at: www.sefsc.org/federation-clubs.html

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

American Philatelic Society (APS) is he largest nonprofit stamp collecting Foundation of philately in the world., With about 32,000 members as of 2014 worldwide.

Visit at: www.Stamps.org.

MINUTES OF JULY MEETING

20 members were present for the July meeting when it was called to order by Richard Barr with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 PM.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$887.00, with no checks outstanding.

To date we have 28 members paid up for 2016, plus 4 Life Members.

Dan Chaij gave a report from the South East Federation which will have a show in January with better judging. It will be at the same hotel with about 20 Vendors thus far.

July 30th there is a Show in Charlotte.

August 6th and 7th there is a Show in Cincinnati.

For next months meeting Pat and Mike will bring Snacks and Drinks. Thank you for Volunteering.

Point was brought up to consider inviting Coin Collectors to a meeting or Just a Social gathering as a way to foster good relations and possibly get new members.

Pat will check if Collegedale Library will allow us to put in a Show & Tell Display about Stamp Collecting.

Meeting adjourned for Snacks & Drinks.

Jim Hogue gave an interesting talk on Charles Lindbergh Covers.

Enclosed is a list of Albums still available from Willis Monk. The thought being if each of us could buy one it would greatly help Susan out financially. Please give some serious consideration to this.

Tom Matuszak

Election year comment!

America is a country which produces citizens who will cross the ocean to fight for democracy but won't cross the street to vote.

Refreshments for August meeting:

Snacks: Pat Coverdale Drinks: Mike Ezell

HELP WANTED!

Be a published author! Contribute to your stamp club newsletter. Tell us about an interesting item in your collection or an interesting story about some other aspect of our hobby. Don't feel comfortable about whether what you write is good enough? Send your rough draft and it can be edited for publication.

JULY 2016 STAMP ISSUES



July 6 - Star Quilts

July 13 - Jaime Escalante





July 15 - Pickup Trucks

July 31 - Henry James



YOUR NEWSLETTER ONLINE!

The Chattanooga Stamp Club Newsletter is now available online! This is a benefit of membership in the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs. Access the web site at:

http://www.sefsc.org/federation-clubs.html

Newsletters from November, 2015 thru June, 2016 are available now. Earlier editions will be added from time to time. Other club newsletters are also online and you can get news from other stamp clubs at this site.

OBITUARY

(A belated announcement of the passing of another member of the Chattanooga Stamp Club)

Milton Dewayne Seagraves Chattanooga, TN

Milton Dewayne Seagraves, age 80, died March 26, 2016.

Dewayne was a graduate of Fulton High School and held Bachelor and Master's degrees from the University of Tennessee. He was retired from Texaco Oil Co. and worked many years at H&R Block in Georgia. Dewayne was an avid stamp collector, and he and Doris were active in competitive square dancing both in Georgia and in Chattanooga.

STAMP(S) OF THE MONTH



Scott #3945-48, October 3, 2005

"Be a Stargazer: Let the Stars Guide You into Stamp Collecting!" - correlates to the issuance of the four unique mythological Constellations commemorative postage stamps, based on artistic depictions of star maps.

The stamps feature four different, well-known constellations that can be seen from the northern hemisphere. Each one correlates with one of the four seasons of the year.

These constellations have inspired imaginations through the millennia. They have helped mark time and served as reminders for certain agricultural tasks and festivals. They have also served as guideposts for travelers at night and helped astronomers, both ancient and modern, find their way around the heavens above.

UPCOMING SHOWS

September 24-25, 2016 MEMPHEX 2016 The Memphis Stamp Collectors Society annual Stamp & Postcard Show, Agricenter International, 7777 Walnut Grove Road, Memphis Tennessee 38120, Dick Scott,

Aug 6-7
CINPEX 2016. Wyoming Civic Center, 1
Worthington Ave., Wyoming, OH. Hrs:
Sat. 10AM-5PM, Sun. 10AM-3PM.
Greater Cincinnati Philatelic Society. Jill
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If you would like to review any of the following, call Tom Matuszak at 423-582-0968 and he will bring them to the August meeting.

NAME	No of Vol	Country
Scott	3	Africa
Scott	1	Spain
Scott	1	US 1847-1984
Scott	1	US 1985- 1997
Scott	1	US BOB & Post Cards
Scott	3	US BOB & Post Cards
New World	1	India
Master Global	5	World
	1	Australia 1913-1990
	4	Portuguese Colonies
	1	Mexico
	1	Canada
	1	Canada Stk Book
Int Jr Album	1	Bulgaria to Ivory
Comp World Widee		New
Modern Post Albun		Empty
	14	World Stk Books
	1	Venezuela
	1	Turkey
	1	Denmark
	1	First day
Citation	1	·
	2	Romania
	1	Butterflies
Statesman	1	partial
	1	Pakistan
	1	Poland Stk Book
	1	Coil Stamps
	1	Belgium / Bavaria
	1	Israel
	4	Argentina
	1	Honduras
	1	Slogans
	1	South Africa
	1	SW Africa
	1	South America Envelopes
	1	USSR
	3	Hungary & Stk Book
	1	El Salvador
	1	Columbia (Folder)
	2 2	Nicaragua (folder)
		Great Britain
	1	Jamaica
	1	Guatemala
	1	Middle East
	4	Brazil
	2	Venezuela
	1	Turkey
	1	Ireland
	1	Finland
	2	Italy

First Day Coverage

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Looking Forward To Boston

World Stamp Show- NY 2016 is now over and the philatelic world looks ahead to the next American world stamp show to be held in Boston, Massachusetts in 2026 during the sestercentennial of the American Revolution. You read correctly: sestercentennial means the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary. As a matter of fact, the USPS has already issued one stamp directly related to the sestercentennial of the America Revolution — the Stamp Act commemorative issued on May 29, 2016.

In 1926, both a philatelic exhibition in New York City and a World's Fair in Philadelphia were held in honor of the occasion.

In 2016 the USPS issued forty-nine stamps at WSS-NY 2016, two of the stamps were directly related to the WSS. In 1926, the USPOD issued two stamp designs, one which publicized the Philadelphia World's Fair (Scott 627). The other — a regular stamp and a souvenir sheet — honored the sesquicentennial of the Battle of White Plains (Scott 629–630), but was placed on sale at both New York City and White Plains. The 1926 stamp show took place from October 13 to 23 at the Grand Central Palace.

You might expect the Liberty Bell commemorative would have been issued on July 4, 1926, the actual sesquicentennial of the ratification of the final draft of the Declaration of Independence. However, the stamp was issued on May 10, 1926 so that the entire nation could be informed of the upcoming world's fair which opened on June 1, 1926, and ran through December 1, 1926.

The stamps were first placed on sale at Boston, the revolutionary era hot bed of political intrigue, Washington, the nation's capital, and Philadelphia.

Since this was in the beginning of cachets, most FDCs are uncacheted. The Philadelphia machine cancel has the slogan "sesquicentennial / exhibition/phila. / june 1 - dec. 1/ 1926."

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Mary Fields

Ex-slave Mary Fields felt at home in Montana, whether working in a convent or managing a mail route. Mary Fields, also known as Stagecoach Mary (c. 1832 - 1914), was the first African-American woman employed as a mail carrier in the United States, and just the second American woman to work for the

United States Postal Service.

Fields stood 6 feet tall and weighed about 200 lbs, liked to smoke cigars, and was once said to be as "black as a burnt-over prairie (black)." She usually had a pistol strapped under her apron and a jug of whiskey by her side.

Biography

Born a slave in Hickman County, Tennessee around 1832, Fields was freed when American slavery was outlawed in 1865.

She then worked in the home of Judge Edmund Dunne. When Dunne's wife Josephine died in 1883 in San Antonio, Florida, Fields took the family's five children to their aunt, Mother Mary Amadeus, the mother superior of an Ursuline convent in Toledo, Ohio. In 1884, Mother Amadeus was sent to Montana Territory to establish a school for Native American girls at St. Peter's Mission, west of Cascade. Learning that Amadeus was ill, Fields hurried to Montana to nurse her. Amadeus recovered and Fields stayed at St. Peter's hauling freight, doing laundry, growing vegetables, tending chickens, repairing buildings and eventually becoming the forewoman.

The Native Americans called Fields "White Crow" because "she acts like a white woman but has black skin." Local whites did not know what to make of her. One schoolgirl wrote an essay saying: "she drinks whiskey, and she swears, and she is a republican, which makes her a low, foul creature." In 1894, after several complaints and an incident with a disgruntled male subordinate that involved gunplay, the bishop ordered her to leave the convent.

Mother Amadeus helped her open a restaurant in nearby Cascade. Fields would serve food to anyone, whether they could pay or not, and the restaurant went broke in about ten months.

In 1895, although approximately 60 years old, Fields was hired as a mail carrier because she was the fastest applicant to hitch a team of six horses. This made her the second woman and first African American woman to work for the U.S. Postal Service. She drove the route with horses and a mule named Moses. She never missed a day, and her reliability earned her the nickname "Stagecoach." If the snow was too deep for her horses, Fields delivered the mail on snowshoes, carrying the sacks on her shoulders.

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Fields was a respected public figure in Cascade, and on her birthday each year the town closed its schools to celebrate. When Montana passed a law forbidding women to enter saloons, the mayor of Cascade granted her an exemption.

(Courtesy of Wikipedia)

Here is an idea of what to do with the stash of duplicate stamps that you don't know how to clean out of your crowded storage:

You can help get stamps into more classrooms across the USA

TurningPoint Foundation has given STAMPS TEACH an exciting and generous matching grant opportunity, but we urgently need the help of APS members like you.

STAMPS TEACH, a program developed jointly by the American Philatelic Society and the Smithsonian National Postal Museum's Council of Philatelists, has successfully introduced nearly 30,000 children to the joy of stamps. Providing classroom teachers with free lesson plans, worksheets, task cards, and postage stamps, the participating teachers have used these materials to teach a variety of subjects to students in 50 states.

To date, STAMPS TEACH has been funded through the generosity of American Stamp Dealers Association dealers, USPS and APS. Now STAMPS TEACH has the opportunity of qualifying for a \$25,000 matching grant thanks to TurningPoint Foundation. STAMPS TEACH needs your help.

Please give what you can using the methods below. Help expand STAMPS TEACH and enable hundreds of thousands of children to experience the joy of stamps.

Here's how you can help

- 1. You can help with a tax-deductible contribution to STAMPS TEACH.Donate online by Selecting "Stamps Teach" on the Online Donation Form OR use the printable form here to send in the mail.
- 2. Send stamps, preferably off paper, to the American Philatelic Center in care of Stamps Teach., 100 Match Factory Place Bellefonte, PA 16823

