



COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY
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South Carolina's Oldest Active Philatelic Society
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President's Message & Commentary

Happy Valentine's and Heart Health Month. The two themes support one another. I trust everyone enjoyed the annual Valentine's Day events and made love from the heart part of your special day.

We welcome two new members, Joy and Rob Hartman who have moved into our city and found out about us on the weblink. Welcome the Hartmans. Greet them Sunday at the meeting.

The January show is behind us but not forgotten. A theme honoring the 100th Anniversary of the US Air Mail Service was commemorated with the special cachet (From Jenny's To Jets) by our club and cancellation created for the event by USPS. We were also honored to have two representatives from USPS support the show, Leslie Wallace and Kertina Epps. Thanks you ladies for the support. To Mark Postmus, our show director, many thanks go to him for making this event a success. Please let Mark and his wife, Susan, you appreciate their efforts. We also had those contributing to the exhibits: Bob Wilson, Bill Mitchell and John Owen plus those who contributed material for the special posterboard display of SC Air Post First Flights Covers: Susan Postmus, Harvey Teal and John Owen. Members who worked the registration table, helped get the signage on the road side and at SVHS made significant contributions of their time and effort. Thank you ALL for contributing. This is a volunteer managed event and it does not happen unless members commit and then show up to get the job done. Your work is appreciated.

Dr. Harvey Teal lost his companion and wife of over 63 years last month. Harvey expressed his deep appreciation and support of members of CPS who attended services honoring his wife and the condolences offered. Harvey, we appreciate you and all of us wish you continued good health and wellness in the future even as this event closed another chapter in your life. Blessings!

News/Events

The Southeastern Stamp Expo, held the last weekend in January (26-28th), in Atlanta (Norcross) was attended by seven members from CPS: Mark & Susan Postmus, Bill Mitchell, Jim Sneed, Fred McGary, Mick Zais and your president, John Owen. Thanks to each for attending and from all accounts, this was a well attended show both by the 40 dealers and show attendees. What the SE show lacked was the presence of the USPS which cancelled their appearance and support at the last minute. Nonetheless, the show went on without USPS support. Mark Scott, show director, is to be congratulated for his "due diligence" for details and working with other support members from the greater Atlanta area and all the exhibit frames (160+) were filled with interesting and award winning exhibit of philatelic material. If you did not attend, plan to attend in **2019**. It is worth your time, effort and expense. Place it on your "to do list."

Our long time member, **Dr. Harvey Teal**, was voted with honorary membership in CPS at last month's meeting. Harvey is the longest serving member of CPS and is to be congratulated by all of us for his continuing support of historical postal history, particularly in S.C. He is a well known and recognized researcher, publisher and contributor to philatelic literature and history for well over the 60+ years. Thank you, Harvey, for your many contributions to CPS and our hobby. This honor is but a small way we thank and recognize you for your many, many years of contributing your time, expertise and love of the hobby.

In February we celebrate three birthdays, Bill Mitchell (2nd), Worden Harris (6th) and newest member, Joy Hartman (19th). Congratulations to all and may each of you have many more life celebrations.

The APS Winter Show, AmeriStamp Expo, is in Birmingham, AL next weekend (23-25). Card announcements of the show will be at the meeting check-in desk Sunday advertising the event. John Owen will be attending, exhibiting and representing CPS at the event.

Program & Refreshments

Mark Postmus will provide the featured program with Bill Mitchell doing the Show & Tell. Lewis Boatwright will provide refreshments.

Announcements

Jim Sneed has a **free** service. Stamp and other collectible supplies are ordered for members at cost plus postage. See Jim to avail yourself of this service.

FREE literature is available at meetings: previous copies of LINN'S Stamp News, sales catalogs with wonderful color photos of stamps and postal history and additional specialty society publication will await anyone who wants. Bourse by the table and see what you might be missing.

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Remember, dues for 2018 are collectible NOW and at February meeting.



Happy Birthday-Feb 8, 1910

