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Southeastern Stamp Expo Renames Reserve Grand Award to Honor Departed Volunteer

The Southeastern Stamp Expo and the Button Gwinnett Stamp Club (BGSC) have entered into an agreement whereby the BGSC becomes the permanent sponsor of the Reserve Grand award and names the award after deceased past-president of the BGSC, David L. Hill.

Dave served the Button Gwinnett Stamp Club for many years as an officer, including the presidency. He was a Vice-President of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs, the annual sponsor of the Expo, and its predecessors, the Southeastern Stamp Show and the Peach State Stamp Show.

Hill was a devoted volunteer to the show, volunteering in a variety of roles to assist the show since its inception in the early 1990s. At the time of his passing in 2010, Dave was the show's Bourse Chair, a position he held for several years. Furthermore, he was a prolific exhibitor, having exhibited his USS Akron, China Clippers, and Graf Zeppelin Flight to Iceland exhibits at regional and national shows, with the latter winning a Vermeil at the Southeastern Stamp Show.

Going forward, the Reserve Grand award at the Southeastern Stamp Expo will be named the David L. Hill Reserve Grand award, and the Button Gwinnett Stamp Club will generously provide the funding needed to procure a quality award consistent with the caliber of the SESE's exhibition and that of a national stamp show. The BGSC has sponsored the Reserve Grand for many years, but for the 2015 SESE, club members voted to become the permanent sponsor of the award and to name it in honor of Dave.

The board of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs and the organizing committee of the Southeastern Stamp Expo are grateful to BGSC members for their generosity and the opportunity to celebrate the life of Dave Hill in perpetuity.

About the Button Gwinnett Stamp Club

Named after Button Gwinnett, a signatory of the US Declaration of Independence, the Button Gwinnett Stamp Club serves stamp collectors in Gwinnett County, Georgia. The club meets at the Lilburn City Hall on the third Wednesday of each month. The BGSC is one of the founding member clubs of the Georgia Federation of Stamp Clubs, later renamed the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs, and annually provides volunteers to help run the Southeastern Stamp Expo, held in Norcross, Georgia, a Gwinnett County city.

About the Southeastern Stamp Expo

The Southeastern Stamp Expo is an APS World Series of Philately (WSP) accredited national stamp show, held annually the last weekend in January, and features 160 frames of exhibits, a twenty + dealer bourse, seminars and youth activities. In 2015, the Expo will be held at the Atlanta Hilton Northeast, 5993 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Norcross, Georgia, on Friday, January 30th through Sunday February 1st.

About the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs

The Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs is an organization representing over 15 stamp clubs and societies in Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Alabama, which pool resources for the common goal of promoting and supporting stamp collecting activities in the southeastern region. Principal among these is the sponsorship and management of the Southeastern Stamp Expo, an APS World Series of Philately event held annually the last weekend in January.

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