

## October 2015

## Monthly Newsletter

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## The President's Dispatch

Unfortunately I had to miss our September stamp club meeting to attend my high school reunion. But fortunately our vice president, Dan Hubbard, took the helm and ran the meeting while Bob Smith dutifully took notes. From Bob's notes I can pass along the following about the meeting.

Dan Hubbard presided over the September meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:00. There were 15 members present.

We had one visitor, Jim Yabsley of Gray, Tennessee. Jim collected stamps as a young man and was curious about the state of the hobby these days. He wasn't sure if he wanted to start collecting again but he wanted to attend a meting and see what we were up to. He had a friend look up local stamp clubs on the Internet and found us. We were glad to have him attend.

Mike Chesman gave us some information about the name badges he volunteered to make for the club members. He handed out individual information sheets for the members to fill out and return to him at our October meeting. He will also accept the information from members in an e-mail sent to him at mike@starloremedia.com.

Dan Hubbard announced that he would travel to Richmond for an Alan Blair stamp auction the next week. He passed around an Alan Blair Auctions brochure for the auction and asked for input from members on what to look for

Paul Kuehn reported he expects to move to Florida about October
5. We will miss Paul and hope he says in touch.

Richard Jackson gave a report on his effort to start receiving American Philatelic Society Sales Division circuit books for the club. All of the paperwork had been sent in and he said he requested APS
send him the circuit books around the $10^{\text {th }}$ of each month.
Richard also gave a short report with illustrations about 1851-1857 USA stamps and their plate varieties. The ones he spoke about were specifically the $1 \phi$ Blue Franklin and the $10 \phi$ Green Washington. He explained why there are so many varieties of these two stamps and the various ways of printing these stamps and making the plates for them. He will finish his talk at the October meeting.

Our stamp club special auction followed with 98 items. About 70\% went home with new owners.

Our next club meeting will be at the Northeast State Community College Student Services building on Thursday, October 15, at 7 PM. We will continue with special auctions so bring your items to the October meeting (now a maximum of 20 per member ). Please fill out the special auction sheets for your lots in advance (two copies please ) and mark the lots accordingly. Also take note that October has five Thursdays, so, we will have a 5th Thursday club bourse on October 29 at the same place and time. Please plan your month accordingly.

I look forward to seeing you then.

## Dick

# Monthly Treasury Report 

Balance on hand end of Aug. $2015 \quad \$ 1,712.96$
Income during September $\quad \$ 2.00$
Stamp Sales $\quad \$ 2.00$
Expenses during September \$45.93
Newsletter $\quad \$ 12.26$
Member ID Holders \$28.17
New checks fee $\quad \$ 5.50$
Balance on hand end of Sept. 2015 \$1,669.03
FYI: The September special auction contained 98 lots from five members and 64 of the lots sold for a total of \$230.15.

## APS Circuit Book Announcement from Richard Jackson

The first set of APS circuit books (total of 16 ) arrived on Oct. 3. Please come to the October meeting prepared to look at stamps from: USA ( Officials, Revenues \& Back of the Book ), Hong Kong, Egypt, Southwest Africa, Natal, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, German States ( B avaria, Bremen \& Hanover), and Australia including South Australia, Antarctic Territory \& States.


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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## Stamps of the Month

by your newsletter editor
During August USPS issued a stamp for the actress Ingrid Bergman. Since it is a stamp that continues my favorite of the USPS' current series of stamps I thought I would revisit the Legends of Hollywood series. The Ingrid Bergman stamp is the $19^{\text {th }}$ in the Legends of Hollywood series. The series began with Marilyn Monroe in 1995. Since then the series has honored James Dean, Humphrey Bogart, Alfred Hitchcock, James Cagney, Edward G. Robinson, Lucille Ball, Cary Grant, Audrey Hepburn, John Wayne, Henry Fonda, Judy Garland, James Stewart, Bette Davis, Gary Cooper, Katherine Hepburn, Gregory Peck, and Charlton Heston. What makes the series so interesting is the information in the selvage of the 20 stamp sheets. The actor or actress is normally depicted in a famous movie role and a regular picture, one on the stamp and the other on the selvage. There is also a brief bio of their film careers on the selvage. Most are in color but three (Alfred Hitchcock, Katherine Hepburn and Gregory Peck are in black \& white). The Alfred Hitchcock stamp has a die cut in the upper left corner recreating his profile used in the television series, Alfred Hitchcock Presents. The pictures in the selvage for the Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman stamps are taken from the same scene in Casablanca. The Ingrid Bergman stamp is part of a joint issue with Posten AB of Sweden. Her career started there.


*OUR MEETING LOCATION*<br>Student Services Building at Northeast State Community College<br>Located near the Tri-Cities Airport<br>*OUR INTERNET WEBSITE*<br>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:
Uncacheted 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 302-5934192 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.


