The President’s Dispatch

I’m sorry I missed seeing all of you in December. I went to see my Grandson graduate from Penn State University. So, I missed a good meeting but attended a great event instead. I want to thank Dan Hubbard for chairing the meeting in my absence. I understand from Dan that the pizza, sodas and white elephant gift exchange went well with several white elephant gifts swapping owners a few times before they stayed with the club members who took them home. Dan also said there were plenty of desserts which everyone brought to share. The meal and gift exchange was followed by our normal special auction. Thanks to Don Ashley, Bob Smith and Dan Hubbard for bringing the 40 auction lots of which 65% went home with a new owner.

The good news is that 14 members have paid their 2016 club dues. The bad news is that those who have not paid need to either pay our treasurer, Steve Schmidt, at the next club meeting or mail the enclosed form to our secretary, Bob Smith, at the address on the form.

Our next club meeting will be held at the Northeast State Community College Student Services building on January 21 (third Thursday of the month) starting at 7 PM. The parking permits that Northeast State issued to us last year have expired, so, a new parking permit good through the end of May is attached. Please place this permit on the dashboard of your vehicle when you park for the club meetings. We will continue with special auctions, so, bring your items to the January 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 during January the American Philatelic Society will hold its winter show, AmeriStamp Expo, in conjunction with the

Southeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs’ annual Southeastern Stamp Expo in Atlanta, Georgia on January 29 through 31 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday). The location is inside the Hilton Atlanta Hotel at 255 Courtland Street, NE. The website address for this stamp show is: www.stamps.org/AmeriStampExpo-ASE.

As you fill in your 2016 calendars, please note on them KnoxPEx 2016, celebrating the 100th anniversary of our country’s National Park Service, on March 5 and 6 in the Holiday Inn Knoxville West just off of Cedar Bluff Road at 9134 Executive Park Drive.

Dick

Pictures of the December meeting courtesy of Don Ashley.
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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**Monthly Treasury Report**

Balance on hand end of Nov. 2015 $1,651.44

Income during December $366.10
- 2016 Club Dues (10) $170.00
- Cash Donations $ 86.50
- Sale of Donated Items $ 10.85
- APS Circuit Books $ 98.75

Expenses during December $124.00
- Newsletter $15.77
- Food for Dec. Meeting $44.50
- Mike Chesman $10.00
- APS Circuit Books $53.73

Balance on hand end of Dec. 2015 $1,893.54

FYI: There were four members who altogether brought 40 items for the December meeting special auction. Twenty-six items sold for a total of $178.50.

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**OUR MEETING LOCATION**
Student Services Building at Northeast State Community College
Located near the Tri-Cities Airport

**OUR INTERNET WEBSITE**
www.sefsc.org/holston-stamp-club.html
Stamps of the Month
by your newsletter editor

Dick wrote in his President’s Dispatch about the 2016 APS AmeriStamp Expo that will be held relatively near to us in Atlanta over January 29, 30 and 31. In 2016 there is another major philatelic show that will be farther away, but not too far, that only occurs every ten years. It’s name is the World Stamp Show-NY 2016, which will be held in the Javits Convention Center in New York City (Manhattan) from May 28 through June 4 (eight days). This will be the eleventh USA International Philatelic Exhibition (IPEX). The first one occurred in 1913. The second one was in 1926 and since then an IPEX has been held in the USA during years ending in “6” or “7”.

Once every decade, the USA holds an IPEX, a philatelic event sanctioned by the Fédération Internationale de Philatélie (FIP). FIP rules limit a country to holding their events only once every ten years. World Stamp Show-NY 2016 is expected to attract interest from all over the world. It is anticipated over 250,000 people will attend the show. There will be about 200 dealers, dozens of postal administrations, seminars, auctions and 3,800 frames of competitive exhibits. The American Philatelic Society has declared WSS-NY 2016 to be the U.S. Show of the Decade. Admission is free.

The USPO and USPS have issued souvenir sheets or stamps for FIP sanctioned U.S. IPEX shows since 1936. The following were issued for 3rd (1936), 4th (1947), 5th (1956), 6th (1966), 7th (1976), 8th (1986) and 11th (2016) exhibitions. The 2016 stamps were inspired by newspaper and periodical stamps of 1865.

I am going to be at World Stamp Show-NY 2016 on May 29, 30 and 31. Maybe I will see you there?
CLASSIFIED SECTION

Items Holston Stamp Club members interested in selling.

Charlie (Dr. Rocks) Bartlett can help you fill holes in your collection.

As you may know by now, I have a six-volume set of World Stamp Albums with over 20,000 “extra” stamps ready for you to borrow and flip through at your leisure to fill in some of the gaps in your collection. You will find an abundance of pre-1900 stamps and even more dating from 1900 to 1965 with fewer after 1965. I'm still trying to work up more of the British Commonwealth countries in a separate album. But the best news is that anything in these albums is yours for only 10% of catalogue value (You Heard That Right) ten percent!

I prefer that you keep your choice of an album for only one month so that other club members can have a chance to use it also.

Isn't it easier to leisurely compare the empty spots in your albums when you search my extras so you don't buy duplicates from the club auctions since you can't remember all the stamps you already have?

Also, on many pages, there are other duplicates in the binder crease of these in-place extras from which you can make you selections.

Have Fun and Happy Collecting!

Items Holston Stamp Club members 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 302-593-4192 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.
**Membership Renewal Form**

*Dues:* $20/year ($15 email option)  
Family Membership (multiple members)  
add $5 to above

- Name (s): ________________  
- Street: ________________  
- City: ________________  
- State/ZIP: ________________  
- Email: ________________  
- Phone: ________________  
- Amount Dues Paid: $______

Send Renewal Form & Dues To:  
Bob Smith 3404 Cardinal Street  
Kingsport, TN 37660

*or bring to December meeting*

APS Member? – Yes No (circle one)  
If yes please provide APS # ________________  
Please list any other Philatelic Organizations__________________________________________________________  
Questions? – contact Bob at HSC.holstonstampclub@gmail.com
VISITOR PARKING PERMIT

Name: Stamp Club
Event: Meeting
Date(s): January - May 2016
Locations: Faculty/Staff Dining Room
Issuing Office: Office of Administrative Services

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The pass will allow you to park in any visitor, staff, or student space.

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Student Services Building
Bookstore - A218
Cafeteria - A209
Auditorium - A208
Student Development - A213

Powers Math-Science Building
Science Division - B104

General Studies Building
Center for Students with Disabilities - C2418
Advising/Assessment - C2407
Evening & Distance Education - C2404
Police and Safety - C2401
Student Support Services - C1108

Faculty Office Building
Behavioral/Social Science - F104
Financial Aid - F102
Health-Related Professions - F100
Humanities Division - F204
Mathematics Division - F116
Technical Education Division - F211

Library

Pierce Administration Building
Admissions - P203
Business Office - P105
Computer Services - P217
Employment Services - P318
Visitor Information Center - P201

Welding/Auto Lab Building

Technical Education Building

Blountville Campus Map

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