National Stamp Collecting Month is observed next on Sunday, October 1st, 2017. It has been observed every October since 1981.

October is... National Stamp Collecting Month

National Stamp Collecting month began as a joint venture of the Council of Philatelic Organizations and the United States Postal Service® back in 1981. Then-Postmaster General William F. Bolger published a statement in the Postal Bulletin proclaiming stamp collecting as the world’s most popular hobby, and urged employees and customers alike to discover the joy of stamp collecting the hobby of a lifetime. Since then, the Postal Service has continued to promote October as National Stamp Collecting Month.
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING

The September Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mike Ezell, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

19 members were present.

1 new member Jim Roberts was accepted into the Club.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer reported a balance of 1002.50, with 7 members already paid up for 2018. This report was also approved.

SE Federation meeting was postponed, no further information.

Auction cards are available for the upcoming November Auction.

Meeting adjourned for Drinks and Snacks.

John Burnett then presented a very informative topic of Stories on Covers.

The Highlight of his talk was the "Homework" he gave out. These Stories will be given at our next meeting.

Tom Matuszak

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By Ashley Powers, Los Angeles Times

The Lady Liberty of the Las Vegas Strip lacks the gravitas of her East Coast lookalike. She is half the size, a century younger and represents a coarser form of democracy: the freedom to choose which slot machine gobbles up your savings. Yet the Las Vegas replica recently snatched an honor from Lower Manhattan's celebrated greeter of the tired, poor and huddled masses: a star turn on a U.S. postage stamp.

Postal Service officials, who issued the stamp in December, 2010 apparently thought the photo they'd selected was of the Lady Liberty dedicated in 1886 — not her progeny, who since 1997 has beckoned gamblers outside the New York New York Hotel & Casino, alongside an imitation Empire State Building.

Scott #4486

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Greetings,

Another month has come and gone. We are now into the Fall season and I must tell you, it is absolutely my favorite time of the year. The leaves are turning all different shades of colors, there is anticipation of the holidays, bowl games and scrumptious food on the table, oh and don’t let me fail to mention, the World Series. Hoping my Cubs can win another one!

Now that I have got you looking forward to the season, let me say that it is an honor being your club president. You are all a great group of people and I appreciate every one of you.

I want to thank all of you for the fantastic attendance that we had at September’s meeting to hear John Burnette’s presentation. Now he has challenged us to do the one-page exhibits so let’s get those done. I am looking forward to seeing those and hearing what other information John has to share with us.

Let us try to have another great attendance for the October meeting. See you there!

Mike

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January 26-28    Southeastern Stamp Expo 2018
Southeast Federation of Stamp Shows, An APS World Series of Philately Show, Hilton Atlanta Northeast, 5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Norcross, Georgia, 30092-3416
Contact Scott Mark, sestampexpo@gmail.com, or http://www.sefcs.org/

February 23-25    APS AmeriStamp Expo 2018

August 3-5    Americover 2018
American First Day Cover Society, An APS World Series of Philately Show, Hilton Atlanta Northeast, 5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Norcross, Georgia 30092-3416, Contact Chris Lazaroff, showinfo@afdcs.org, http://www.afdcs.org/show

Many interesting lines of collecting are practically closed to all but the wealthy. But stamp collecting is open to all, for the expenditure may in its case be limited at the will of the collector to shillings or pounds.

EDWARD JAMES NANKIVELL, Stamp Collecting as a Pastime