

The Chattanooga Stamp Chronicle

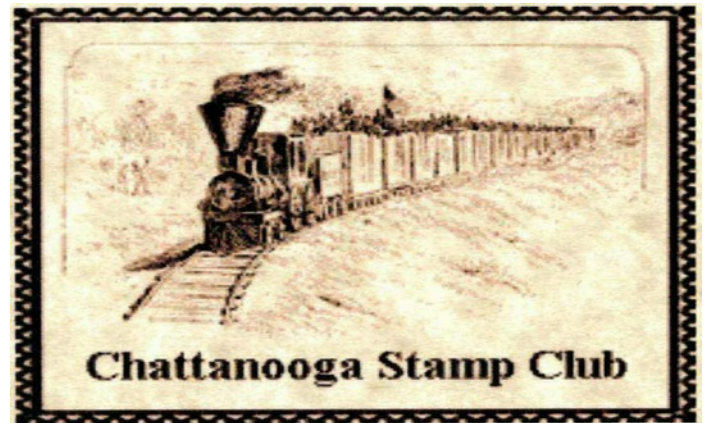
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MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE HICKORY VALLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 6605 SHALLOWFORD RD., CHATTANOOGA, TN.

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM, MEETING BEGINS AT 7:30 PM -- VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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.

October 12 Monthly Meeting
Program John Burnett, Part 2
November 9 Monthly Meeting
Program Club Auction

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Chattanooga Stamp Club memberships are on a calendar year basis. Yearly dues are \$10.00; send all monetary donations and membership dues to the club's Treasurer:

Mr. Carl Anderson, 919 Dunsinane Rd.
Signal Mountain, TN 37377

THE CHATTANOOGA STAMP CHRONICLE

The Chattanooga Stamp Club is affiliated with the American Philatelic Society. The club has been dedicated to the study, preservation, and promotion of the philatelic hobby since 1932.

SOUTHEAST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

The Southeast Federation web site is a source for information about stamp collecting activities in the region. Visit at: www.sefsc.org/stamp-clubs.html.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

American Philatelic Society (APS) is the largest nonprofit stamp collecting Foundation of philately in the world. With about 31,000 members as of 2017 worldwide. Visit at: www.Stamps.org.

Notice!

Dues for 2018 are now being accepted. Payable to our treasurer, Carl Anderson. Dues are \$10 per year for adults.

Nominations for officers will be accepted at the November meeting. Election to be held at the December meeting.

The club auction will take place at the November meeting. If you need auction cards, they will be available at the October meeting - pick up some then.

Much of the fun of stamp collecting is knowing from what countries stamps come, when they were printed, and what events they commemorate.

DANIEL FOX, *Arrowheads of the Central Great Plains*

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

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



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

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

SOUTHEAST REGION STAMP SHOWS

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
American Philatelic Society, Sheraton Birmingham Hotel, 2101 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd., North, Birmingham, Alabama 35203-1101, Barb Johnson, stampshow@stamps.org, 814-933-3803 ext. 217, <https://stamps.org/AmeriStamp-Expo-ASE>

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*

U.S. September New Issues

September 1
Father Ted Hesburgh



Make-Your-Own-Cachets

Sooner or later it happens to every first day cover collector. They get the urge to make cachets. Many only make one, while others meet with success, continue and develop a business. Whether you produce covers for one issue or dozens, it is likely you will make some discoveries about the printing medium.

One exciting discovery is that you can make cacheted FDCs relatively inexpensively. An easy method is photocopying. Some copiers will copy images directly on to envelopes. But you can always copy your design on an 8-1/2 x 11-inch sheet of paper, cut it and fold it into an envelope. My first cachets were made by this method. If you have a computer and a color printer, you can easily make your envelope with this method.

First draw an outline of an envelope on a sheet of paper, add the design, make the copies and fold them. This gives you a cacheted cover ready for the stamp and cancellation.

I have not tried colored photocopies. They would make handsome first day covers. But I am not certain how well the stamp and will adhere to the "waxy" surface of the photocopy.

Relying again on state-of-the-art technology, you can make cachets using the printer attached to your computer. This is the method I used to make my cachets. For best results use a high quality bond paper. The expense for cachets this way is minimal.

Many printers will print directly on envelopes. So you can make cachets consisting of all text. Vary the type sizes and fonts and you have an attractive design. Or you can scan images into your computer or download appropriate images from the Internet.. If so, you can add pictures to the design of your cachet.

For those who prefer more "hand made" printing methods, there is always the linoleum block, stencils, rubbings, hand drawing or painting, or using a quick printer to produce your design. Those with artistic talent make their cachet by drawing or painting the design in color onto the envelope.

To help you get started on your cachet-making adventure, read *Handcrafted Cachets: The Make-Your-Own Cachet and Envelopes Handbook* by Gene Russell. This handbook enumerates about 40 ways to produce cachets. It is available from American First Day Cover Society Sales, online at <http://afdcs.org/publications.html>

(Thanks to Marjory J. Sente for portions of this article.)