The remodeling at the Atlanta Library branch we meet at began July 15. While we are unable to meet at the library be sure to check out the other club meetings during the next 6 months. We will continue to do a newsletter.

OCTOBER IS STAMP COLLECTING MONTH. Share your hobby with a friend.

We hope to have a club holiday party in December. If anyone is able to host at their home, please let Scott Holmberg know at sdholmberg1@gmail.com.

October second meeting will be our joint Atlanta clubs meeting hosted by Button-Gwinnett Stamp Club. They meet at Mountain Park United Methodist Church. This meeting will be in the Family Life Center (where the GwinPex show is held) not at the Youth Center which is on the other side of the main church building.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 5  Stamp Trading at home of Don Laberteaux, 5008 Brandlwood Ct., Lilburn, GA from 9 – 11 a.m. Coffee, talking and stamps. Call Don at 770-381-7114 for details.

October 16  Joint meeting with Button-Gwinnett Stamp Club. Auction and Pizza provided. 7 PM at Mountain Park UMC, 1405 Rockbridge Rd, Stone Mountain, GA 30087. Usual auction limit 5 items and minimum $5 opening bid.

November 16 – 17  Stamp Dealers Association of Georgia Stamp Show. The Mansour Center, 995 Roswell St. Marietta, GA 30060. Sat. 10 am – 5 pm; Sun. 10 am – 3 pm

Exploring Stamps
By Steve Swain

In its commendable efforts to fully embrace social media and provide quality internet venues for new as well as experienced stamp collectors, the American Philatelic Society announced on July 17 its sponsorship of Exploring Stamps, a YouTube channel produced and hosted by Graham Beck. (Website address is https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkeSM6aOWfauPIGb5rPOGyA)

“We have been working aggressively to recruit and educate the modern stamp collector,” said Scott English, Executive Director of the APS. “Partnering with Exploring Stamps is another innovative tool to help collectors connect and grow in the hobby.”

As video host and producer since December 2016, Beck has taken his love of stamp collecting and made it come to life, garnering more than 580,000 video views and 6,700 subscribers to the Exploring Stamps channel. “Partnering with the APS is an exciting new milestone for Exploring Stamps and its viewers,” said Beck. “This support, endorsement and encouragement will further grow the channel and help to reach an even wider audience. It is an honor to work with the APS and I look forward to seeing where this opportunity takes us.”

From Apollo missions to Icelandic volcanoes to Zeppelin stamps, the channel covers a number of fascinating topics related to philately, often involving travel, history and special video effects. Expect highly professional, well designed, entertaining videos typically lasting from six to ten minutes, sometimes longer.

From the site’s main page, click VIDEOS to be taken to a selection of seventy-one offerings.
My first choice was Let’s Talk About Covers exploring the different types of traditional and philatelic covers, as well as the interesting histories that they reveal. At the seven-minute mark, Beck discusses and shows examples of first day covers, “the most common of all philatelic covers.” Of course, there are advertisements (thankfully brief) before a stamp video begins!

To choose a video from a topical grouping, select PLAYLISTS from the upper menu and choose from Philately 101 (11 videos) or Exploring Stamps: Season 2 (21 videos) or Stock Book Countdown (3 videos). If you have subscribed to the site, you can create your own Playlists from the available videos.

Note that while at the Exploring Stamps page you are connected to the main YouTube site. Therefore, when choosing from the left-side menu an item such as Trending, you will be taken to offerings of non-philatelic videos such as The Demogorgon or a discussion by John Oliver on Bias in Medicine. Similarly, you will see menu icons for Music, Gaming, News and Movies, all of which are not Exploring Stamps related.

For the seasoned collector, Exploring Stamps may not offer any philatelic epiphanies. But I promise the site’s content is highly entertaining and well worth a look.

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American Topical Association has moved their offices to P O Box 2143, Greer, SC 29652-2143. Jennifer Miller is the new Executive Director. If you are interested in volunteering for them, talk to Barbara Asher. She is now coordinating Taste of Topicals for ATA.
Doing good with Scooby-Doo and friends

The *Scooby-Doo!* Forever® stamp features the iconic cartoon Great Dane watering a flower, serving as a reference to the *Scooby-Doo DOO GOOD Campaign*.

The Scooby-Doo DOO GOOD Campaign aims to provide young people with tools and activities to help enrich the environment. Founded in 2018 with generationOn, the youth division of Points of Light, the campaign aims to inspire students to protect the environment, fight hunger, and serve as allies to animals.

Since he debuted as a Saturday morning cartoon in 1969, Scooby-Doo and his teenage friends — Fred, Daphne, Velma, and Shaggy — have solved case after case and delighted three generations of fans. Appearing in more than a dozen TV series, direct-to-video animated films, comic books, and live-action cinematic releases, Scooby-Doo continues to charm and entertain American audiences today.

The stamp issuance is a 12-stamp sheet and was art directed by Greg Breeding, who worked closely with Warner Bros. Consumer Products.

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While our library meeting place will be undergoing remodeling you might
consider these other club meetings in the Atlanta area:

**Cobb County Stamp Club meetings are on 2nd and 4th Sunday at 1:30 pm.
New location is 1809 Roswell Road, Marietta, GA “The Bridge Club” (next to
Restaurant Depot)**

**Button-Gwinnett club meeting at 7 PM on third Wednesday of the month at
Mountain Park UMC, 1405 Rockbridge Rd, Stone Mountain, GA 30087.****

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Our Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs includes our club’s page. The main site is
sure to check out all the other information on the site. New clubs were added to the Federation
at the January meeting. Check out where meetings are so you can visit as you travel.

If you are interested in writing for our newsletter or presenting to our club at one of our monthly
meetings, please contact me at the email below or Scott Holmberg at sdholmberg1@gmail.com
with your ideas.

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