



Postmark Atlanta
Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club



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July 2019 Newsletter

Change in DATE. The remodeling at the Atlanta Library branch we meet at will begin July 15 so our last meeting is July 2. 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 2 Regular Atlanta Stamp meeting and auction. Last meeting at Atlanta Library branch at 980 Ponce de Leon. This location will be closed for remodeling for the next 6 months. Meeting starts at 7:00

July 6 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.

July 26 – 28 AMERICOVER 2019. Renaissance Saint Louis Airport Hotel, 9801 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis. If you had fun at the show in Atlanta last summer you should plan to go to St. Louis.

July 27 – 28 CHARPEX 2019 Charlotte Philatelic Society, Worrell Bldg. Central Piedmont Community College, 1228 Elizabeth Avenue, Charlotte, NC www.charpex.info/

August 1 – 4 APS Stampshow. CHI Health Center Omaha, 455 N 10th St. Omaha, NE JOINT SHOW with American Topical Association National Topical Stamp Show. www.stamps.org/StampShow www.americantopicalassn.org

August 16 – 17 GwinnPex Fall Stamp Show at Mountain Park United Methodist Church, 1405 Rockbridge Rd, Stone Mountain, GA 30087

Notre Dame Cathedral Showcased on Worldwide Stamps by Steve Swain

Soon after the horrific April 15 Notre Dame Cathedral fire in Paris, Denise McCarty of *Linn's Stamp News* provided an excellent piece showcasing French stamps either specifically commemorating the Cathedral or having some association with the Cathedral. Expanding on Denise's article, presented here are images of stamps issued by France (some of which were included in Denise's article) and other worldwide issues.



Above left is the earliest philatelic image of the Cathedral as depicted on the 25-centime French stamp commemorating the 1924 Summer Olympics in Paris. Granted, the image of the Cathedral is very much in the background of the stamp's design, but it is surely noticeable. Likewise, the small image of the Cathedral is included in the background of the French airmail stamp on the right. More obvious and detailed images of the Cathedral are shown on the French stamps below.



On several occasions, France issued stamps showcasing the Cathedral's famous stain glass artwork. The Virgin and Child image on the below left stamp (also included as a circular stamp in the right-side souvenir sheet) is the May 25, 1964 issue celebrating the eighth centenary of the Notre Dame Cathedral.



Stamps commemorating the Cathedral issued by countries other than France are numerous. Shown below are examples from Belgium, Madagascar and San Marino.



As with French stamps highlighting the Cathedral's stain glass artwork, in 1971 Ajman issued a sheet of 12 stamps displaying the Cathedral's zodiac signs stain glass art, several shown below.



The Cathedral's repair costs have been estimated to be somewhere in the range of \$8 billion, according to Reuters news service. French President Emmanuel Macron has vowed to rebuild Notre Dame's damaged portions within five years. Hopefully we will soon see stamps from many countries celebrating the rebuilt Cathedral.

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Our library meeting place will be undergoing remodeling for the next 6 months. Other club meetings that you might want to attend are:

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 www.sefsc.org. Our club's page is at www.sefsc.org/atlanta-stamp-collectors-club.html. But be 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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