

# Stamps & Tongs

The E-mail Newsletter of the  
Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society



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## DPCPS sponsors 21st annual TPA Contest

For the second year in a row, the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society (DPCPS) has sponsored the Texas Philatelic Association Youth Holiday Stamp Design Contest. For 21 years the TPA has encouraged youth to enter a contest by designing a postage stamp with a winter holiday theme. For the second year in a row, the best entry was from Alex Gill of Wisconsin. His artwork will grace the cover of the November-December 2009 *Texas Philatelist*. Over one hundred youth from around the United States entered the contest. To see a copy of the TPA journal please go to [www.texasphilatelic.org](http://www.texasphilatelic.org). The committee which oversee the contest for the TPA was headed by Jerold Plumb, Sheena Bosworth and Douglas Moss. In addition to the committee, Mark Solomon, Rod Gabel and Harry Pedersen served as judges for the contest. Thanks to the hard work of Sheena Bosworth, the DPCPS secured a grant from the **British North American Philatelic Society** to help fund the contest and to promote the 2010 contest.



**Alex Gill of Wisconsin, age 15, is the overall winner of the 2009 TPA YHSDC.**



## 2010 Distinguished Sailors Issue Revealed by VSC



The Virtual Stamp Club recently revealed one of the new issues for the 2010 USPS Stamp Program. The Distinguished Sailors issue is the third in a series saluting military heroes. There is a Texas on the stamp, Doris (Dorie) Miller of Waco, Texas. Miller was awarded the Navy Cross at Pearl Harbor for his heroic actions that infamous day. He later served on the USS Liscome Bay, which was sunk by a Japanese submarine on November 24, 1943. Miller is the second Texan to appear in the Distinguished Military series. Audie Murphy of Greenville, Texas was featured in the Distinguished Soldiers stamp in 2000. The Air Force is the only branch of the service not recognized with their own stamps.

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## Notes from the Editor



The nominations are in for the 2010 Officers and Board of Directors. A big thank you goes out to Rod Gabel who has served his term as President of the DPCPS. Harry Pedersen has been nominated to serve as the next DCPS president. Doug Moss has decided to step down from the board of directors and accept the nomination to be the next vice-president. The board of director nominees are Scott Hunter, Jerold Plumb and Dr. Harold Boehning. We will vote on these individuals at the December Holiday Dinner this Wednesday.

Just a reminder that dues are due. Dues are important in that they help the club buy albums that are supplied to our members who get stamps at a great discount. And dues help lower the cost of our holiday dinner. So please pay your dues as soon as possible. Dues are only \$12 for 2010, no inflation at the DPCPS!

Speaking of dues, I received my APS membership renewal for 2010. I have not decided to rejoin. They are quite pricey at \$48 (four times the cost of our DPCPS membership). I really enjoy the magazine, but maybe my money can be spent in better ways. I still have 20 days to think about it. See you Wednesday night at the dinner (dress up!).-DCM

### December 2009 Philatelic Calendar

**December 9** Fourth Annual Holiday Dinner at the Edgemere. Dinner is served at 6:00 pm. The price for the dinner is \$20 for members and \$30 for guests.

To volunteer for a 2010 presentation or Philatelic Spotlight, contact Doug Moss.

**2010 DUES ARE DUE!** Please pay your dues promptly as the DPCPS gets ready for another great year of stamps in 2010! Dues are \$12 a year.

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**Seats are still available!**

*Fourth Annual  
Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society  
Holiday Dinner*

*December 9, 2009*

*Members \$20*

*Guests \$30*

**Contact Doug  
Moss for more  
information!**

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## **What would you do (philateli- cally) if you won the lottery?**

Let's play a game. You buy a lotto ticket and win a "modest" sum, say \$10 million after you pay your taxes. How would you spend that money on this great hobby? Would you get yourself the inverted Jenny to complete your US collection? Or would you buy a Blue Maritius (see stamp to the right)? What would I do? I would like to buy a stamp dealer inventory (Tom and Jim, please put your phones down) and spend about 6 months or so just going over everything. Then I would add to my collection, and then sell the rest. Now that I have told you what I would do, what would you do? Please send me an e-mail with your favorite philatelic lottery fantasy (FPLF) to [douglasmos@sbglobal.net](mailto:douglasmos@sbglobal.net). Everyone who sends me a response will have it published in the January 2010 issue of our newsletter. The **fifth** person to send me their FPLF will receive a special stamp prize which will be awarded at the second January meeting. So think about buying that lottery ticket and what you would do stamp-wise with those winnings. DCM



## Free Mixture Pick at first January 2010 meeting



To celebrate the new year, I will be bringing a free mixture pick to our first meeting of the year. I went to Lincoln, Nebraska this year for Thanksgiving. Every time I visit I go to an old time brick and mortar stamp shop called LinCo. I brought back a twenty pound unpicked USA mission mixture. I have set aside a good amount for the club. I will throw in some other mixes I have around the house. This will be great way to start the new year! After we get our business taken care of at the meeting, the mixture is yours.

## Yes, there will be a Scouting Centennial Stamp in 2010!



## DPCPS on Facebook

The Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society will have a Facebook page in 2010. What is Facebook? Here is what *Wikipedia* says about FB:

“Facebook is a global social networking website that is operated and privately owned by Facebook, Inc. Users can add friends and send them messages, and update their personal profiles to notify friends about themselves. Additionally, users can join networks organized by city, workplace, school, and region. The website’s name stems from the colloquial name of books given at the start of the academic year by university administrations with the intention of helping students get to know each other better. A January 2009 Compete.com study ranked Facebook as the most used social network by worldwide monthly active users, followed by MySpace.”

More details will be released in the January 2010 newsletter.

