

# Stamps & Tongs

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



## Happy New Year! 2010 USPS New Issues



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# NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Happy New Year to everyone! I feel like this will be a great year to be a member of the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society! We have a lot of big things planned for 2010. **Act soon as we have a Quarterly Auction at our January 27th meeting.** We also have a Spring and Fall bourse this year. A silent auction is also in the plan, with each member being asked to donate up to five quality lots, with the proceeds to go to the Deborah Kempston Memorial Lecture. Please take a look at pages four and five of the newsletter for the 2010 program information. There are open spots for presentations, so please consider volunteering to speak about stamps or postal history this year. I look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting! *Doug Moss*

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## 2010 DPCPS Officers & Board of Directors

Harry Pedersen - President  
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Jack Urish - Treasurer  
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## Stamp of the Month

We will have a new feature in the newsletter. Each month I (or you) will pick a stamp of the month. What makes a stamp the *Stamp of the Month*? A Stamp of the Month is something weird or surprising or odd. I found the stamp on the left in a recent mixture of French commemoratives I purchased from my favorite dealer, Douglas Dobson. It shows a famous Belgian sculpture known as the “man urinating.” Go figure. I looked the stamp up in my 2009 Scott catalog (C-F) and found it. 3340c, as part of the European Capitals issue. A search of Wikipedia also brought some interesting information about the sculpture. So be on the look out for the next candidate for the February Stamp of the Month.

## DUES ARE DUE!

Dues for 2010 membership are now due. Membership in the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society is only \$12. 2010 dues can be mailed to Sam Phillippi or paid at the first meeting in January. If you would like to mail your dues to Sam, please send a check or money order payable to the “Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society” to:

**Sam Phillippi, 2517 Ash Creek, Mesquite, Texas 75181**

A big thank you goes out to those members who have paid their 2010 dues!

## What would you do? If you won the lottery...

In the last newsletter I asked the members to share what they would do if they won the lottery and how it would affect their stamp collecting hobby. Mark Solomon provided this response:

*I have often taken a minute or two while driving along after seeing billboard advertising this week's prize and thought what would I do and stamps collecting has always been a part of that dream. After some major housekeeping expenditures. I would start out with a visit to APS headquarters and take in some classes on the hobby. I consider myself, at this point, more of an accumulator rather than a true collector and I would really like sit and listen to the experts talk. (this is one reason I really enjoy our Club meetings, they really are beneficial) Then I would like to begin to acquire those missing stamps that I can only wish for currently. Possibly just hire Tom or Jim to travel with me to auctions and shows to see what could be acquired. Sounds like a nice way to travel and at the same time enhance the collection. Plus I would have time then to actually organize all the stamps I do have so I can really see what I have acquired over the years. Well guess it is time to get back to the reality of trying to sale some insurance see you Wednesday night.*

Thanks Mark for responding. You will receive a prize at the next DPCPS meeting!

## What happened? Adventures in soaking



What happened here, I asked myself, as I went through my latest batch of kiloware that I was soaking. The image above shows a number of nice US commemoratives where the color has faded. I have been soaking stamps for about 20 years now and never, never has this happened. It seems that the DC Comics, Ben Franklin, Motorcycles, recent Airmails and the Wonders of America were ruined. The rest of my US came out okay, as did kiloware from Norway, Sweden and France. The image to the right shows the detail of the fading in C138. What is interesting about the image to the right is that all three stamps came from the same soaking bowl! I did use hot water (not boiling) to soak this batch, hoping to get some of the gum to release more easily from the paper. In the future, I will not use hot water on the above issues. Let me know if you have ever had the same problem as me. *Doug Moss*

# *Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society*

## *2010 Calendar of Events*

We are in need of 7 members to make presentations in 2010 to complete our calendar. Please see the dates highlighted in **red**. The events in **bold face** are the TSDA Stamp Fairs at the Richardson Civic Center. Please support area and Texas dealers and attend these events. Spend some money and let the dealers know you are a member of the DPCPS. Finally, the two dates highlighted in **blue** are the TEXPEX and Mid-Cities Stamp Expo. Tentative DPCPS meetings are *tentatively* scheduled at each show.

Contact Doug Moss at douglasmosse@sbcglobal.net or call him at 469-363-2684 if you have questions about the 2010 program and you want to volunteer to give a presentation.

January 11

Board Meeting at the Edgemere on Northwest Highway and Thackery

January 13

Program: Opening meeting, discussion of topics for calendar year

January 27

Program: Quarterly auction, no speaker

February 10

Program: "Plate Number Coils", speaker: Dr. Fernando Torres

**February 12-13**

**TSDA Dallas Stamp Fair at Richardson Civic Center, W. Arapaho and Central (75)**

February 24

Mini Auction & Philatelic Spotlight:

March 10

Program: "Spring Cleaning Bourse", speaker: Entire Membership

March 24

Program: Mini Auction & Philatelic Spotlight:

April 12

Board Meeting at the Edgemere on Northwest Highway and Thackery

April 14

Program: " ", speaker:

**April 16-18**

**TEXPEX 2010, Doubletree Hotel, 4099 Valley View Lane  
(I-635, Exit Midway, on the access road, Dallas, TX 75234**

April 28

Program: Quarterly Auction, no speaker

May 12

Program: " ", speaker:

May 26

Program: Mini Auction & Philatelic Spotlight:

**2010 Calendar of Events (continued)**

June 9

Program: “ ”, speaker:

June 23

Program: Mini Auction & Philatelic Spotlight:

**June 25-26**

**TSDA Dallas Stamp Fair at Richardson Civic Center, W. Arapaho and Central (75)**

July 12

Board Meeting at The Edgemere on Northwest Highway and Thackery

July 14

Program: “ ”, speaker:

July 28

Program: Quarterly auction, no speaker

August 11

Program: “ ”, speaker:

August 25

Program: Mini Auction & Philatelic Spotlight:

September 8

Program: “ ”, speaker:

September 22

Program: Mini Auction & Philatelic Spotlight:

**September 24-25**

**TSDA Dallas Stamp Fair at Richardson Civic Center, W. Arapaho and Central (75)**

October 11

Board Meeting at The Edgemere on Northwest Highway and Thackery

October 13

Program: “Fall Bourse”, dealers: James Myers and Tom Cunningham  
*Begin Christmas Dinner Reservations – Reservation Form Handout*

October 27

Program: Quarterly auction, no speaker

November 10

Program: “ ”, speaker:

**November 13-14**

**Mid-Cities Stamp Expo at Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 S. Main Street, Grapevine**

November 15

Board Meeting at The Edgemere on Northwest Highway and Thackery (nominate slate of officers for 2010)

**December 3-4**

**TSDA Dallas Stamp Fair at Richardson Civic Center, W. Arapaho and Central (75)**

December 8

Program: Holiday dinner at The Edgemere on Northwest Highway and Thackery