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2025 ELECTIONS FOR DPCPS OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

From Rod Gabel

The current officers have each agreed to another term, so the following 2025 slate of officers for the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society (DPCPS) is proposed:

President: Fernando Torres
Vice President: Rick Hosler
Secretary: Jerry Madden
Treasurer: Rod Gabel

Sam Phillippi has completed his third year as director and has graciously agreed to serve another three years as director. Al Dlhy and Tim Waellart have agreed to continue their terms as directors. The **Directors** nominated for 2025 are as follows:

Al Dlhy (1 year)
Tim Wallaert (2 years)
Sam Phillippi (3 years)

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CLUB NEWSLETTER WINS GOLD IN APS

From the APS

The Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society newsletter; has won a Gold Award from the American Philatelic Society (APS) 2024 Star Route contest. Last year the newsletter won a Large Vermeil (which is one level below Gold). The grand prize went to the Mid-Cities Stamp Club Newsletter, edited by Peter Elias who is also a DPCPS member.



Each year, the APS has launched chapter newsletter and website competitions, named the Star Route Awards.

Since the mid-1800s, the Star Routes were the most challenging routes in the country to deliver U.S. mail. Legislation was established by Congress in 1845 calling for contractors to carry the mail with "celerity, certainty, and security.", but postal clerks weary of repeatedly writing these words in ledgers substituted three asterisks— * * * —and the phrase "Star Route" was born. Star Routes were renamed "Highway Contract Routes" in 1970, though they are still commonly known by their original name today.

The APS chapters serve and grow the hobby in those same tough terrains with that same mission.

The newsletter was rated "Very Good" to "Excellent" in the various categories. Both reviewers noted the lack of reference to the club website (*Editor's note: This is addressed*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DPCPS meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays January through October and on the second Wednesday in November and December, at the Edgemere Retirement Community, 8523 Thackery Street in Dallas, Texas. Call to order is 7:30 p.m., but most members arrive by 7:00 p.m. for socializing and trading.

Dec. 11	**DPCPS HOLIDAY DINNER** at the Edgemere. Wine reception beginning at 6:00 PM, followed by dinner at 6:30 PM
Dec. 13-14	**DALLAS TSDA,** Doubletree Hotel, Bluebonnet Room, 1981 North Central Expressway (Hwy 75 & Campbell Rd), Richardson, TX 75080 (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4)
Jan. 8, 2025	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *Quarterly auction.*
Jan. 10-11	**HOUSTON TSDA** Hilton Garden Inn – Energy Corridor, 12245 Katy Freeway (I-10 and Dairy Ashford Exit), Houston, TX 77079. (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4)
Jan. 22	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD.*
April 4-5	**DALLAS TSDA**, Holiday Inn and Suites, 3220 Craig Drive, McKinney, TX 75070 - (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4) . ***Note the new location!***

Note from the Editor: We welcome Letters to the Editor. Please send your philatelic-related letter via eMail to Stan.Bartnikowski@gmail.com.

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Vice President – Rick Hosler (*rhosler44@gmail.com*)
Secretary – Jerry Madden (*jmaddeninsurance@aol.com*)
Treasurer – Rod Gabel *(gabelassoc@sbcglobal.net)*
Past President – Bill Laupus (*blaupus27@gmail.com*)

DPCPS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Al Dlhy • Sam Philippi • Tim Wallaert

Membership in the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society is available to all persons of good character who are interested in philately. Dues are $12 per year (higher for mailed newsletters). For more information, check our website at ***DallasStamps.org*** or contact: Fernando Torres (214) 663-7304 or fernando.torres@sbc.global.net. For a membership application, visit the aforementioned website or write to: Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society, c/o Jerry Madden, 428 Valley Glen Dr, Richardson, TX 75080.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Fernando Torres

Dear Club Members,

As the year comes to a close, I'm thrilled to reflect on what a remarkable year it has been for the Dallas Park Cities Philatelic Society. With our Holiday party just around the corner, it's the perfect time to celebrate our accomplishments and express gratitude to everyone who has contributed to our success.

This past year, we've seen incredible growth, with membership now exceeding 50 individuals. Meeting attendance has been equally impressive, with over 25 members joining us regularly. This engagement is a testament to the vibrancy and dedication of our philatelic community.

Our board has made significant strides in streamlining its functions, and we've embarked on transforming the DPCPS website. A special acknowledgment goes to **Art**, whose tireless efforts in building, maintaining, and supporting our website over the years have been invaluable. We are deeply grateful for his dedication and hard work.

Rick has been instrumental in curating an outstanding agenda, securing speakers whose presentations have been both informative and entertaining. These talks are at the heart of our club, setting us apart as a unique and vibrant organization within the philatelic world.

We owe **Stan** our deepest thanks for elevating our club's profile on a national level. His exceptional work editing our monthly newsletter has earned recognition from the APS and continues to make us proud. Stan's contributions are a cornerstone of our success.

The importance of a reliable treasurer cannot be overstated, and **Rod** has been exemplary in this role. His meticulous bookkeeping and thorough documentation have ensured our financial health and transparency. We are fortunate to have such a capable steward of our club's finances.

I have to give my greatest appreciation of gratitude to **Jerry**, who has been my right hand since my election as club president this year. Without him, and his unyielding support and hard work, the communication and history tracking of the club would not be a success. His dedication has been invaluable, and I am sincerely thankful for all that he does.

Our partners, the local stamp dealers—**Tom, Jim, Bill**, and others—play a vital role in enriching our community. Their unwavering support and engagement have been integral to our success, and we are profoundly thankful for their contributions.

Jack's album distribution efforts have also been a highlight, allowing members to expand their collections affordably and enjoy the priceless joy of philately. His dedication adds immense value to our club.

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SPOTLIGHT ON …

STEVE WATSON

Interviewed by Stan Bartnikowski

Steve Watson is originally from Lake Charles, Louisiana, but moved to Dallas at the age of 4. He began stamp collecting at the age of 11 or 12 but suspended his interest just after high school. He has had a career in mainframe computing, followed by a career in executive search recruitment. Steve is married with two children and two grandchildren.

Steve renewed his interest in stamp collecting about 10 years ago when he acquired his father's stamp collection along with another collection. He has been busy merging the two collections, focusing on worldwide through 1960. He has recently acquired two albums spanning 1960 through 1969 from fellow club member Perry Denton. He also has a side interest in U.S.



Steve joined DPCPS about 4 years ago and has enjoyed learning from the programs and especially acquiring stamps from Jack's Albums – which are the source of most of his stamps today.

Steve feels like he is more of a novice when it comes to collecting stamps and would like some guidance from the more seasoned members of the club on how to improve his collection. A hint to us all?

SCOTT ENGLISH PHASING OUT AS APS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

From the APS

APS Executive Director and DPCPS member Scott English announced that after nearly 10 years with the American Philatelic Society and the American Philatelic Research Library, he has made the difficult decision to move on to the next chapter in life. Scott plans to stay while the Board searches for the next Executive Director, and intends to continue to serve in the position at least until next year's Great American Stamp Show in order to ensure a smooth and successful transition.

SHOW 'N TELL

A LETTER FROM POLAND

By Stan Bartnikowski



Front of letter envelope to the author's grandfather from Chorzele, Poland on November 18, 1937



Back of letter envelope to the author's grandfather showing the originator and additional international postage.

I found the above envelope among my father's things just recently. It is probably not a significant philatelic item, but it is of personal significance to myself. It contained a letter to my paternal grandfather from his wife's brother—an envelope that escaped the cut and soak by my father, who was 18 at the time and probably not actively collecting.

My grandfather was named Juljan and was born in Raciąż,

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ART VON REYN WEBSITE WINS GOLD IN APS STAR ROUTE CONTEST

Member Art von Reyn's website "Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps" snagged a gold in the APS Star Route website competition. Art has created the website for DPCPS, as well as other websites. If you want to see the winning website, click on:

http://www.glhsonline.org/

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Not to be forgotten, but thanked for their efforts, are Stan Bartnikowski (Newsletter editor), George Clayton (Edgemere Liaison), Geoff Owens (Appraisal and Acquisition), Jack Urish (Albums) and Paul Witthoeft (Exhibits).

Thanks also for those members who have presented to the club, submitted articles and other information to the newsletter, entered auction items and/or participated in the auctions.

As Past President Bill Laupus has repeatedly pointed out, all our members, no matter what their role, are sincerely appreciated.

Happy Holidays!

DPCPS NEWSLETTER GOLD STAR AWARD

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beginning with this issue).

The best/most valuable part of this newsletter in the opinion of the reviewers was:

- "Variety of member articles, e.g., Show-and-Tell. Lots of club news with meeting minutes."
- "Very well-designed! Clear structuring and nice, readable layout."

The only criticism, besides the lack of reference to the website, was "The digital format is in multiple columns and to read one must scroll down then up and down again." (*Editor's note: I have*

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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Finally, to each and every member—your enthusiasm, volunteer spirit, and active participation make this club what it is. Your commitment is the foundation of our success, and I am deeply grateful for all that you bring to DPCPS.

As we look ahead to a promising 2025, I hope to see you all at the Holiday party to celebrate this wonderful year together.

Warm regards,
Fernando Torres
President, Dallas Park Cities Philatelic Society

Only one more show this year by The Texas Stamp Dealers Association in Richardson. An opportunity to buy holiday presents for your fellow members. Or buy yourself something to wrap.

December 13-14, 2024 at
DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton Dallas-Richardson
1981 North Central Expressway
Richardson, TX

From Central Expressway, exit 26, Campbell Road, in either direction). The show is in the Bluebonnet Room, first room to the right, inside the door.

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now in Poland. He emigrated to the U.S. around 1900 and married my grandmother, Maryja Olber, originally from Chorzele , also now in Poland. (I realize Olber does not sound like a Polish name, but bear in mind that Chorzele was near Prussia in the nineteenth century).

Her brother, Antoni, remained in Poland, and sent this letter on November 18, 1937 to my grandfather who lived with my grandmother, my father and his siblings in Long Island City, Queens, New York. Curiously both men resorted to Latinized names Julius and Antonius on the envelope.

The postage rate from Poland to a foreign country at the time was 55 groszy for up to 20 grams. The letter must not have exceeded 20 grams, since the total postage was 55 groszy: 15 groszy on the front, and 40 groszy on the back. The 15 groszy was the local rate up to 20 grams, so apparently Antoni affixed the 15 groszy stamp on the front and the postal clerk added the 40 groszy additional international postage to the back.

In Memoriam

Please pray for the soul of Catherine Bartnikowski, beloved wife of our member, and editor of this newsletter, Stan Bartnikowski.

Visitation - 5pm to 8 pm Sunday December 15th at
Rolling Oaks Funeral Home,
400 Freeport Pkwy,
Coppell, TX

Mass of Christian Burial - Monday December 16th 2:30 pm at
St. Ann Catholic Church,
180 Samuel Blvd,
Coppell, TX
Reception following

Interment - Tuesday, December 17th at 10 am at
Calvary Hill Cemetery,
3235 Lombardy Ln,
Dallas, TX

VALENCIA NOTED FOR MORE THAN ORANGES

By Arthur P. von Reyn

A sweet, juicy namesake orange might come to mind when one hears of Valencia, Spain, but the historic eastern Mediterranean port and the country's third largest city has a lesser known and unwelcome distinction, a weather phenomenon officially termed DANA (Depresiòn Aislada en Niveles Altos). Also called a cold drop (gota fria), the small, cut off barometric depression usually brings heavy rainfall to eastern French and Spanish regions in the autumn.



Valencia oranges are not the only thing the namesake Spanish city is known for.

Most of the year, there is barely a trickle of water in the Turia River coursing through the city of Valencia. But the city has periodically suffered from devastating autumn floods ever since its founding in Roman times. The worst known, until October 2024, occurred in 1957, when almost three quarters of Valencia was inundated, resulting in more than 80 dead and 10-16 billion pesetas (several billion of today's dollars) in damages.

The disaster resurrected the "Plan Sur de Valencia" (Southern Plan for Valencia). a long debated and massive project to divert the flow of the Turia River from its snaking route through the ancient city center to a newly constructed channel in a sparsely populated flood plain south of town.

To contain the river, levees were constructed some distance away from the channel, much like what was done with the Trinity River in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The diversion work began in 1964 and was completed in 1973. Due to public protests, a proposal to turn the old river bed into freeways were abandoned in favor of a green belt with various public amenities; roadways was instead placed on top of the new Turia River levees.

To finance the massive project, taxes were imposed on wealth, luxury items, business licenses, hotel stays, telegraphs and mail. From 1963 to 1985, ten 25-centavo postal tax stamps and a 50-centavo telegraph stamp, all inscribed "Plan Sur de Valencia," were issued. These stamps, obligatory on letters, packages and telegraphs sent from Valencia, continued in use until 1989.



From 1963 to 1985, ten face-different 25-centavo postal tax stamps were issued to help fund the Turia River diversion project. Depicting city landmarks, objects and the coat of arms, they were required until 1989 on all letters and packages sent from Valencia .

The stamps have no country name on them and the *Scott Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue* does not list them as they were deemed to be local issues. However, the stamps are illustrated in various European catalogues as well as the long-defunct Minkus catalogues.



Only one Telegraph tax stamp was necessary, no doubt due to declining usage.

Fast forward to October 29, 2024: some areas of the Valencia region were slammed with torrential rains, where as much fell in eight hours as normally occurs in a year. Floodwaters rushed down the River Turia, its tributaries and other streams, spilling often into areas where no rain had occurred.

Thanks to the river diversion project, the central part of Valencia was spared. However, the flooding overwhelmed many other towns, especially those located south and west of Valencia, where formerly agricultural land had been converted into industrial and residential uses due to urban sprawl.

Inadequate warnings of the impending flood resulted in more than 200 lives being lost. Damages were expected to cost insurers 3.5 billion Euros (3.75 billion dollars), The severity of the flood, said to be the worst in Spain's modern history as well as in Europe in 50 years, was blamed by many on global warming.

FOR FURTHER READING:

"2024 Spanish Floods" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Spanish_floods

"Too little, too late: How Valencia's residents were trapped with no warning in Spain's deadly floods" https://www.cnn.com/2024/11/01/europe/spain-floods-warning-too-late-intl/index.html

"1957 Valencia flood" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1957_Valencia_flood

"How Valencia Turned A Crisis (And a River) Into a Transformative Park" https://metropolismag.com/projects/how-valencia-turned-crisis-river-into-park/

"Cold drop" https://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gota_fr%C3%ADa

CLUB MEETING MINUTES

BY JERRY MADDEN

September 25, 2024

The 9/25/2024 meeting of the Dallas Park Cities Philatelic Society was called to order at 7:30 PM by Vice President Rick Hostler at the Edgemere Senior Living center. The Secretary moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting which was approved unanimously. Rick announced that under new business the next meeting of the society will be our quarterly auction. There was no new business. Stuart announced that he has old Scott Catalogues for sale. Rick then announced the subject for the meeting was B philatelic terms and countries. Don started out by discussing Bulgaria and Bulgarian gold. There was an interesting discussion of Varda Gold and that there was information on it from 6500 years ago. They do not know where the tribe went that did the discovery We then had a presentation about Baden and some of their old stamps from the 1850-1860 time frame were shown We also discussed their baths which are world famous and about the Black Forest which is in Baden. It was not mentioned but they have excellent cakes and chocolates. That is something I remember as a teenager. We then had some interesting discussion of Boy Scout stamps Then Bill Davis showed a very interesting cover he had from the time of the buffalo soldiers. It was a cover addressed to General Benjamin Grierson who led the 1863 raid through Mississippi that supported the movements of the army of General Grant into central Mississippi from the Mississippi River to Jackson and the back to surround Vicksburg, and on the 4th of July 1863 to capture the city and open up the Mississippi River to the gulf for the union army.

We then had Geoff's auctions and thank all the participants ad then we closed with Jack's albums. President Torres closed the meeting at 8:25PM.

Respectfully submitted Jerry Madden Secretary.

Board members are reminded of the board meeting prior to the meeting for October 9th.

October 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 PM by President Torres The Secretary moved suspension of the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and the vote was unanimous. There was no old or new business. The treasurer gave the Treasurer's Report. Geoff indicated there were some items for the auction from his current collection we were offering for the club but that the Saint Vincent album which has a value over $2,000 would be held off until the next meeting. Jack presented a new country that started issuing stamps. Rick gave a brief announcement about the Holiday Dinner and asked for help and thanked George for all his work he has done on the dinners. Rick indicated the next meeting would be on C countries and stamp related information.

Al then took over the meeting for the quarterly auction. There were many items presented and it was an excellent auction with some lively bidding. Al did a great job keeping the evening moving. Due to the auction and the length of the event we did not have Jack's books but he did have items out which members could come up and take home. The meeting ended at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted Jerry Madden Secretary

October 23, 2024

The 10/23/2024 meeting of the Dallas Park Cities philatelic Society was called to order by President Torres at 7:35 PM at the Edgemere Senior Living Center, We moved and suspended the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Rick Hosler brought up our Holiday Dinner and we tentatively discussed the holiday Dinner prices which unless there is subsequent information on prices will be $10.00 for each member and guest. This is subject to change if we get further information on the cost of the event. Under old business it was announced the auction of the prior meeting raised $573.50 which was well received by the club. It was announced we will be selling the Scott Catalogues at the next meeting. We will also be collecting the $12.00 dues for 2025 at the next meeting. We are all to have Bill Davis in our prayers.

We then proceeded to our program which was for C items or countries. Bill Laupus gave the first presentation on Christmas stamps. He first introduced the Canadian stamp of 1898. He then talked about British forces in Egypt for the 1930 time period. He also brought up Austria stamps from the 1937 issues. George presented about an island near Antigua with stamps but no people. And then we heard about a cover from the USS Akron which had a tragic ending. Paul discussed Portuguese poet and Portuguese India. We also heard about US Stamp Dealers meeting in 1979 and about US cancels in Montreal. Jack talked about the new Carpatho-Ukraine stamps. Rick and Nikita also presented. Rick talked about the Canal Zone and showed a forerunner stamp from Colombia for the Canal Zone. The Canal Zone was 5 miles on either side of the canal. Nikita was our final presenter and he showed a 1932 Italian plus some Crypto items and wolf like creatures.

Geoff's auction followed and raised $46 for the club and then Art got the big volume for $330. We closed with Jack's books and ended the meeting at 8:55. Respectfully submitted Jerry Madden Secretary.

November 13, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by Rick Hosler Vice President at the Edgemere Senior Living Facility. We were in an alternate room and had to wait a few minutes so the members could get to the meeting room. We dispensed with the reading of the minutes to the previous meeting. There was no old or new business. The next meeting will be our December 11h Holiday Dinner at 6:30 PM at the Edgemere Facility. The room will be announced. We have about 45 people who have

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said they will attend but if you have not let Rod Gabel know you are coming please let him know ASAP since we have some space problems if we get many more people attending. The price is $10.00 and guests are encouraged.

Al Dhly gave a very interesting presentation about the APS Match Factory headquarters in Pennsylvania. The match factory headquarters had been a very large building that had operated for many years and was very successful until lighters came along. After WWII the company went out of business and the factory was left vacant.

The APS opened about 1890 and in 1945 had moved its headquarters to State College PA. It also received the collection of Franklin D. Roosevelt. At the time there were about 4000 members. In 1965 APS started expertizing. In 1972 the APS moved to a new building. Then later in 1982 they added another new building. In 2000 the APS started internet Sales. All of these added a need for more space and in 2002 they purchased the Match Factory. It consisted of about 8 buildings and about 5 Acres. Al visited the Match Factory in 2004 and showed pictures in the sales room. The match factory had opened in 1900 as Universal Match. It closed in 1947. At one time it had housed 400 employees. Al asked the question why did APS buy all the 18 or so buildings on the site. He also mentioned there had been a fire at the Match Company in 1914 which was not unusual for a match company. There had also been health problems due to phosphorous material in the matches. The Match Factory has been placed on the National Register of historic Buildings. After this outstanding presentation there was a lot of discussion. Jack mentioned that APS is short of money. We discussed that they accept advertising. Our club had joined in 2019 for $1,000.00 We also talked about their research library. Tom reported their expertizing service is good and that they are well recognized for their foreign stamp expertizing. Art reported he was at the Match Factory last year. Al is thanked for his great presentation.

We then moved to the rest of the meeting. Jack had some stamps he was giving out from the Sudan for anyone who wanted a sheet We then put up our old Scott Catalogues for sale. After some very competitive bidding Ivan bought the old set for $340.00. The money goes to our treasury. We had a brief discussion of the dinner coming up on the 11th of December. Rod reported we have almost 40 people coming. I reiterate that if Rod does not know you are coming please let him know soon. Jack presented his books. We started collection of dues for 2025 We have 19 paid so far. If you are coming to the dinner you can give your dues check of $10.00 to Rod then. If you are not coming please mail your membership check of $12.00 made out to Dallas Park Cities Philatelic Society to me your Secretary Jerry Madden at 428 Valley Glen Drive, Richardson Texas 75080.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

BY JERRY MADDEN

October 9, 2024

The Board Meeting of the Dallas Park Cities Philatelic Society was called to order by President Torres at 6:30 PM at the Edgemere Senior Living Center. Present members included Sam, Rick, Tim, Rod, Fernando, and Jerry. Fernando discussed the 3 Goals for our website. The website was the only item on the agenda. Denise Voss was introduced as our new website person. We discussed the various goals of the website. There was some discussion of the Holiday Dinner. The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM. Respectfully submitted Jerry Madden Secretary.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

BY JERRY MADDEN

Membership remains at 57.

EDITOR'S MUSINGS

By Stan Bartnikowski

Needless to say, I was pleased that our newsletter was presented a Gold Star Route award by the APS. However, I couldn't have done with this without support from Fernando, Rick, Jerry, Geoff, Paul, Art and John Lighthouse. Also thanks to those who have found the time to be interviewed for "Spotlight On..": Bill Davis, Howard Petschel, Ben Schkolne, Don Wolman, and Steve Watson. I sincerely hope I haven't missed any contributors. And I thank the entire membership for their warm support.

I wish you all a very happy holiday for you and your loved ones, whether it's Christmas or Hannukah! Cherish your loved ones while you can. And here's to another year of exciting and interesting stamp collecting!

FOR SALE ITEMS

Please use the stage at the meeting room to place items for sale. *Be sure to include your name and asking price!*

2025 U.S. NEW ISSUES CALENDAR

This is a list of U.S. new issues expected to debut in the next few months. Items are forever stamps with the current or anticipated value in parenthesis, unless otherwise noted.

TBD **Lunar New Year: Year of the Snake** . Forever (73c) stamp. Details pending.



TBD **Love (2025)** Forever (73c) stamp. Details pending.



TBD **Black Heritage: Allen Toussaint** Forever (73c) stamp. Details pending.



TBD **American Vistas** Presorted Standard (44c) stamp



TBD **The Appalachian Trail** . Pane of 15 Forever (73c) stamps. Details pending



TBD **1794 Compass Rose** : Global rate ($1.65) stamp. Details pending.



TBD **U.S. Flag:** Forever (73c) stamp in several formats.



TBD **Betty White** Forever (73c) stamp. Details pending.



Please make use of the table at the rear of the meeting room to place or pickup freebie philatelic items.

2025 DUES ARE DUE!

If you haven't paid your DPCPS membership dues for 2025, you are way past due! If so, please bring your $12 dues to the next meeting or send a check for $12 payable to DPCPS and sent to our new secretary

Jerry Madden
428 Valley Glen Dr
Richardson, TX 75080

CLASSIFIED ADS

One classified ad of up to 50 words, not counting name and address information, is available to members per issue on a space available basis. Submissions should arrive no later than the twentieth of the month preceding the issue date. Ads run for four consecutive issues, unless canceled before then. Submissions can be emailed to stan.bartnikowski@gmail.com or mailed to 1413 Elizabeth Dr., Carrolton, TX 75007-2828.

FOR SALE

Traveling down under? Australia coins $34.75 face for U.S. $17. New Zealand coins $33.00 face for U.S. $15. Contact Geoff Owens at gmoptx@verizon.net.

FREE

Set of new low value U.S. coils. 1c Fringed Tulip, 2c Daffodils, 3c Peonies, 5c Red Tulips, 10c Poppies and Coneflowers. ONE set free to each DPCPS member (only). Send an SASE to Stan Bartnikowski, 1413 Elizabeth Dr., Carrollton, TX 75007.