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ANOTHER MCSC EXPO (2022) ENJOYED BY ALL

By Paul Witthoeft

The 35th Annual Mid-Cities Stamp Expo, again honoring 'Veterans,' returned at about the previous year's levels, on November 11-12, 2022, at the Grapevine Convention Center, staffedby members of the Mid-Cities Stamp Club (MCSC). Expo is still our only local stamp show in Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW).

This year's exhibition and bourse included the usual collector attractions: silent auction, mixture pick, chance board, beginning collector's center, exhibits, and more (26) dealers. Dealers at the show were from Texas, Oklahoma and other states as far as Maryland, California (3) and Arizona. Our members Tom Cunningham and James Myers were among the busy dealers.

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DPCPS 2023 ELECTION RESULTS

By Stan Bartnikowski

At the December 14th holiday party, the election for 2023 DPCPS officers and board members was held, with the following result::

President	Bill Laupus
Vice President	Rick Hosler
Secretary	Fernando Torres
Treasurer	Rod Gabel
Directors	
3 Years	Al Dlhy
2 Years	Sam Phillippi
1 Year	Joe Baker

Congratulations to the new (or renewed) officers and board members! We wish them success in the year 2023 in making the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society an even better stamp club. Please support their efforts.

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2023 DUES ARE DUE!

If you haven't paid your DPCPS membership dues for 2023, you are 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 Fernando Torres 6191 Preston Haven Drive Dallas, TX 75203

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.

February 8	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *How Well Do You Know Your Stamps?*, presented by Goeff Owens
February 22	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *Behold! A New Country*, presented by Jack Urish
March 8	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *Quarterly Auction*
March 22	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
April 7-8	**DALLAS TSDA**, DoubleTree Hotel, 1981 North Central Expy, Richardson, TX 75081. (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4).
April 12	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
April 26	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
May 10	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
May 12-13	**SAN ANTONIO TSDA**, Norris Conference Center, 618 Northwest Freeway Loop 410 (across San Pedro from NorthStar Mall), San Antonio, TX 78216 (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4)

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Treasurer – Rod Gabel *(gabelassoc@sbcglobal.net)*
Past President – Stan Bartnikowski *(stan.bartnikowski@gmail.com)*

DPCPS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Joe Baker • Al Dlhy • Sam Phillippi

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, contact Fernando Torres (214) 663-7304 or fernando.torres@sbcglobal.net. For a membership application write to: Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society, c/o Fernando Torres, 6191 Preston Haven Dr., Dallas, TX 75203.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

BY BILL LAUPUS

I hope that everyone has enjoyed a wonderful Holiday/ Christmas season and best wishes for a Happy and Successful New Year. I would like to thank all of our board members who have worked very hard to ensure that our club continues to grow and prosper and welcome to our new board members. I would also like to thank all our committees, Stan Bartnikowski and Jack Urish who have contributed greatly to our club.

Thanks again to Al Dlhy, Perry Denton, my wife Susan and all who participated in our very successful auction on November 9th. We are very grateful to George and Janet Clayton for again hosting our very successful Holiday Dinner at The Edgemere on December14th. A fun time was had by all with great food and wine, many wonderful gifts and the election of our 2023 officer.

Many thanks to Rick Hosler and Joe Patterson for their extraordinary efforts in preparing our new Club Directory complete with photographs and personal information including collecting interests for each member. Directories were distributed at our January meetings. Please attend our February meetings and pick up your new directory if you did not do so in January.

Thanks to Don Wolman for presenting Little Windows on a Big World on January 11th and thanks to our honored guest Ray Cartier for presenting Bomber Warbirds of AF Plant #4 on January 26th.

Please consider presenting a program in the coming year. Our new Vice President would greatly appreciate your cooperation in volunteering to present a program in 2023. Stan would also greatly appreciate members submitting articles for future newsletters. Participation in the program portion of our meeting is a great way to express your passion and knowledge of our hobby. Submitting articles for the newsletter is another awesome way to share your stamp collecting interests.

Helping lead a volunteer organization can be tough and I never take our members who give their time on our behalf lightly. I'm thankful for all our members, no matter what your role is. Whether it is big or small, you matter, and we are proud to have you here and sincerely appreciate your membership. Dedicated, active club members are the essential element in the success of any club. We are blessed to have many outstanding stamp collectors in our club.

Bill Laupus

EDITOR'S MUSINGS

BY STAN BARTNIKOWSKI

Times are a changin'. For many years I have received new issues from the United Nations in New York. Originally, they would arrive in an envelope with a nice first-day cancel on a current UN-NY issue. Later, they shifted to a New York machine cancel (no stamps). My latest set of UN new issues arrived via United Parcel Service! No wonder folks can't get interested in collecting stamps. The upside is that UPS couldn't try and fold it and stuff it in my mail box (since it wasn't U.S. Mail).

Stan Bartnikowski

MCSC EXPO (2022)

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Exhibits were only 40 frames for Expo 2022, again placed in a separate room, which opened up the ballroom space for more dealers and allowed 'social distancing'. Three APS-certified judges came from Houston and Virginia.

The awards banquet presented certificates and medals to deserving exhibitors, including Grand Award to Dr. Ben Termini for his nine-frame 'Prostitute Revenues of Rosario de Santa Fe' and Reserve Grand Award to Ray Cartier for his eight -frame space exhibit 'How We Got Men ToThe Moon'. The single-frame Grand Award went to 'Michigan Pioneer Air Mail' by Pat Walker. Ray Cartier also showed his six-frame 'Warbirds of AF Plant #4 – Fort Worth, Texas' which is the subject of his presentation to our DPCPS meeting on January 25th

The guest speaker for the awards banquet was judge John Hotchner of Falls Church, Virginia, on the future of stamp collecting – neither doomsday nor rosy, but with many possibilities. Mr. Hotchner has been an exhibitor since 1976 and an accredited APS judge since 1986, best known for his Linn's weekly "U.S. Notes" column.

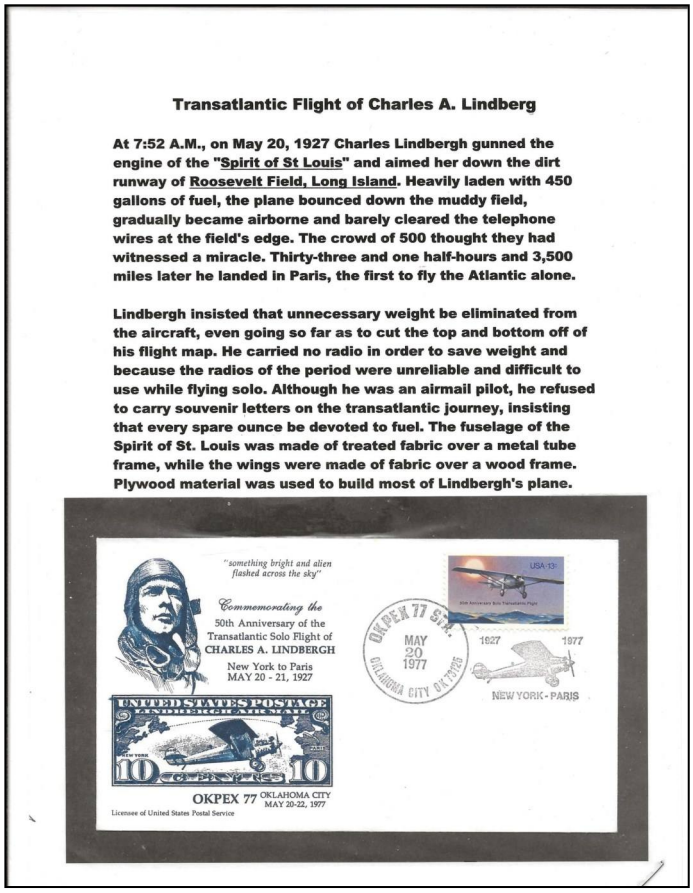
Two frames were set aside for smaller one-page or four-page exhibits. I exhibited my 'Warrior Poets' and 'Slogan Cancels'. Ray Cartier showed his 'The First Soviet Manned Program:Vostok 1-6' with cosmonaut-autographed covers. After a guest exhibit did not arrive, former MCSC member Dr. John Barrett of Biloxi filled in with an exhibit on classic 'Swiss Forgeries'.

DPCPS also participated again with our 'Club Frame' to show our members' varied interests, receiving thanks from exhibits chairman Ray Cartier for our support of the Expo and exhibiting, and also a nice 'Certificate of Participation' from MCSC.

Our 'Club Frame' included a title page providing time and location of our DPCPS meetings and a roster of our fifteen pages from eleven participating members, shown in the next column.

Most of these pages were shown earlier in the *Stamp & Tongs* issue of August 2022 from our 'Club Frame' at OKPEX 2022 in June. Images follow for the six pages (*) which were not previously published in the newsletter.

1	Bill Laupus	Celebrating Lindbergh's Flight – OKPEX 1977*
2	Bill Laupus	"City of Memphis" R.P.O. Cover (1947)
3	Rick Hosler	Transpacific Airmail – the China Clipper
4	Rick Hosler	U.S. Bicentennial on stamps of Nicaragua*
5	Stan Bartnikowski	Polish city of note : Tarnów (established 1105)*
6	Stan Bartnikowski	General Haller's Blue Army
7	Stuart Barzune	Austria F.D.C. – Grossglockner Road (1960)
8	Geoff Owens	Geoff Owens Mauritius #1 & #2 on Cover (Replica) (1847)*
9	Jack Urish	Zara – Unlisted *BesetzuAg* Error (Croatia, 1943)
10	Joe Baker	Bahnpost - German Train Cancellations
11	Chris Titus	U.S. Revenues - Private Playing Card Stamps*
12	Don Wolman	Provinz Laibach – Occupied Slovenia (1945)
13	Perry Denton	U.S.P.S. Souvenir Page - Inventors (1983)
14	Paul Witthoeft	Combat Cover from F.A.C. in VietNam (1970)*
15	Paul Witthoeft	World Jamboree - PortPaye - Sweden (2011)



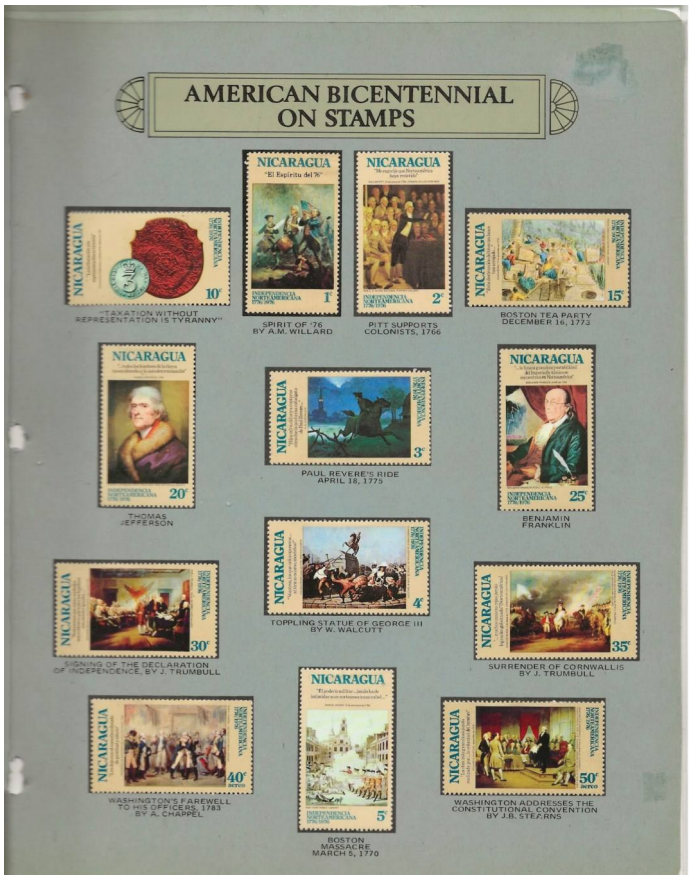
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USPS POSTAGE RATE HIKE

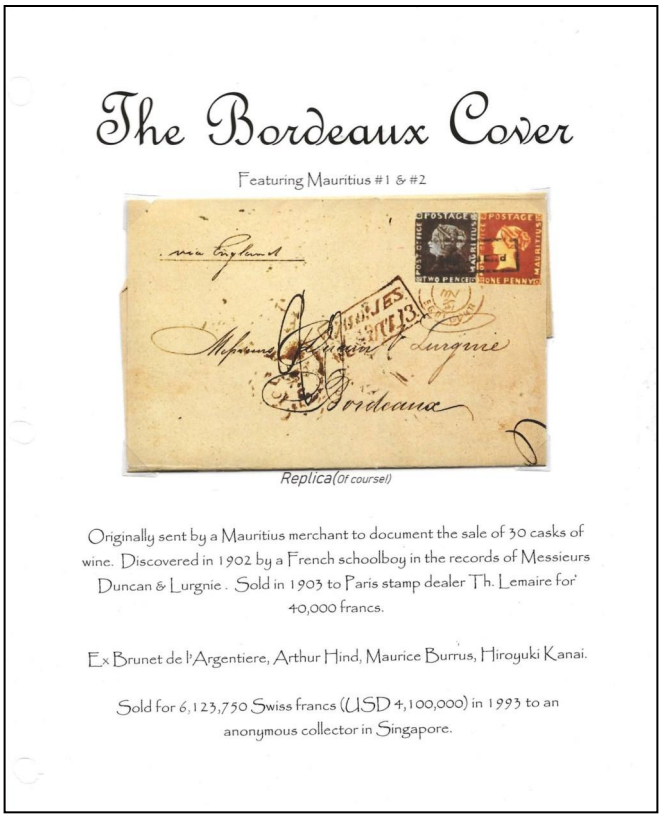
From the USPS Newsroom

Effective January 22nd, the cost of a First-Class Mail Forever stamp rose rom 60 cents to 63 cents., domestic post card rate increased from 44 cents to 48 cents, international post cards and 1 oz. letters increased from $1.40 to $1.45.

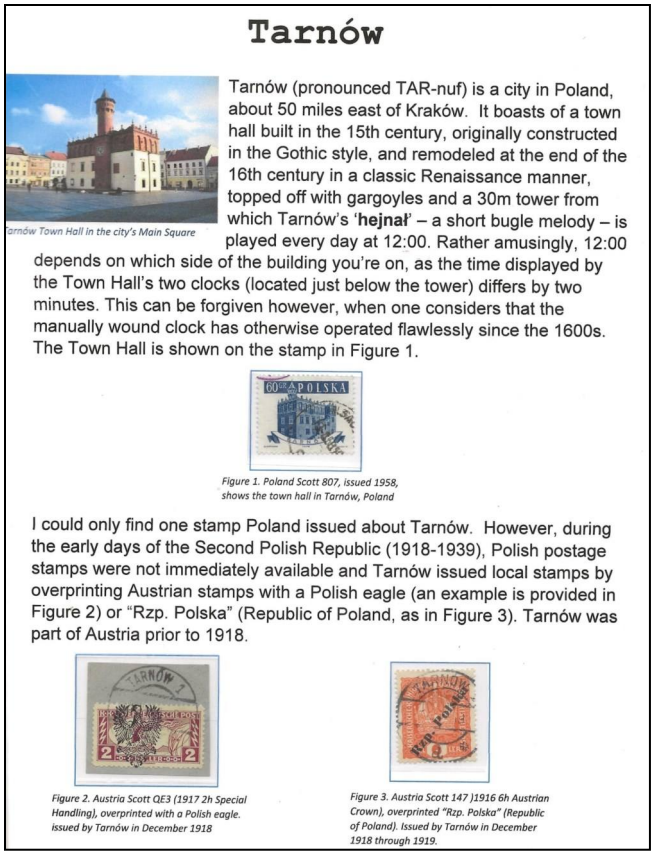
As operating expenses continue to rise, these price adjustments provide the Postal Service with much needed revenue to achieve the financial stability sought by its Delivering for America 10-year plan.



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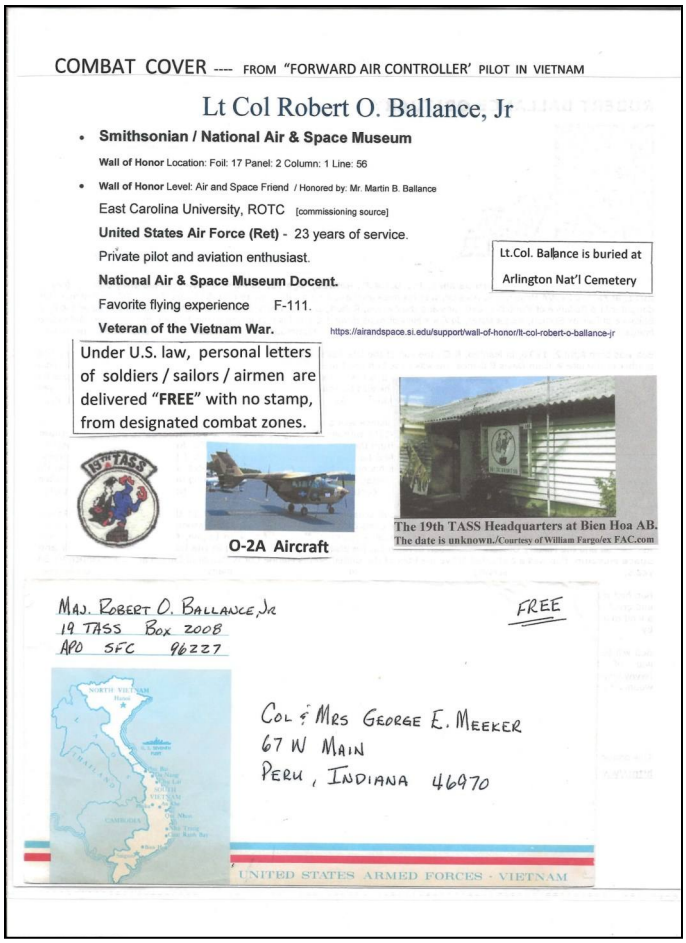
MCSC EXPO 2022—DPCPS Exhibit No. 8



MCSC EXPO 2022—DPCPS Exhibit No. 5



MCSC EXPO 2022—DPCPS Exhibit No. 11



MCSC EXPO 2022—DPCPS Exhibit No. 14

USPS REVEALS MORE STAMPS FOR 2023

From the USPS Newsroom

On December 13, 2022, .announced seven new stamp subjects for 2023.



John Lewis - This stamp celebrates the life and legacy of civil rights leader and U.S. Rep. John Lewis (1940-2020) of Georgia. Devoted to equality and justice for all Americans, Lewis spent more than 30 years in Congress steadfastly defending and building on key civil rights gains that he had helped achieve in the 1960s. Even in the face of hatred and violence, as well as some 45 arrests, Lewis remained resolute in his commitment to what he liked to call "good trouble." The stamp features a photograph of Lewis taken by Marco Grob on assignment for the Aug. 26, 2013, issue of Time magazine. The selvage showcases a photograph of Lewis taken by Steve Schapiro in 1963 outside a workshop about nonviolent protest in Clarksdale, MS. Derry Noyes served as art director for this project.

Art of the Skateboard—The bold artwork on a skateboard deck is often as eye-catching and individualistic as a skater's most breathtaking moves. These four stamps celebrate the Art of the Skateboard with vibrant designs that capture skateboarding's



UKRAINE HONORS UKRAINIAN-POLISH SOLIDARITY



From the Polonus Polish Philatelic Society (Newsletter, Fall 2022)

The illustrated cover from Kyiv to the U.S. includes Ukrainian stamps showing Polish-Ukrainian solidarity with hands and flags and the Polish inscription, "W trudnych czasach, cenimy prawdziwą przyjaźń!" which translates to "In hard times we value true friendship!".

excitement. Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamp issuance using photographs of skateboards created by artist Crystal Worl, an Alaskan whose blue and indigo salmon formline design expresses her Tlingit/Athabascan heritage; self-taught artist William James Taylor Jr. of Virginia, who created an energetic red and orange graphic abstraction; Di'Orr Greenwood of Arizona who represents her Navajo culture with a turquoise-inlaid skateboard that features eagle feathers and colors of the rising or setting sun and Colombian-born, Washington, DC-raised muralist MazPaz (Federico Frum), who painted a stylized jaguar.

Florida Everglades (Priority Mail)



Spanning some 2 million acres in southern Florida, from Lake Okeechobee to Florida Bay, the Everglades is one of the largest wetlands in the world and the most significant breeding ground for tropical wading birds in North America. This new Priority Mail stamp celebrates the Florida Everglades with stamp art that shows a sawgrass marsh as seen at sunset from the edge of a cypress dome. Designed by art director Greg Breeding, the stamp showcases a digital illustration by Dan Cosgrove. The Florida Everglades Priority Mail stamp will be issued in Homestead, FL, on Jan. 22 without a ceremony.

Tomie dePaola

This stamp honors prolific children's book author and illustrator Tomie dePaola (1934-2020), whose extraordinarily varied body of work encompasses folktales and legends, informational books, religious and holiday stories, and touching autobiographical tales. The stamp art features a detail from the cover of "Strega Nona" (1975), the Caldecott Honor winning first book in the series. Set in southern Italy, the gently humorous story focuses on Strega Nona, "Grandma Witch," who uses magic to help with matters of the heart and to cure her neighbors' ills. Art director Derry Noyes designed the stamp with Tomie dePaola's original art.



Northern Cardinal (Stamped Envelope)



The Northern Cardinal stamped envelope showcases one of the most beloved and popular songbirds native to North America. The art features a male cardinal, immediately recognizable by its crimson-colored feathers and black facial markings. Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamped envelope with Kandis Vermeer Phillips's highly realistic illustration.

Bridges (Presorted First-Class Mail)



Four new Presorted First-Class Mail stamps will be available for purchase by bulk mail users in coils of 3,000 and 10,000. The stamps feature existing photographs of four different bridges that range from modern to historic, pedestrian to car-carrying, but all are important landmarks in their communities. They are the Arrigoni Bridge in Middletown, CT; the Bob Kerrey Pedestrian Bridge in Omaha, NE; the Skydance Bridge in Oklahoma City; and the Iowa-Illinois Memorial Bridge in Bettendorf, IA, and Moline, IL. Art director Ethel Kessler designed the stamps with existing photographs.

Life Magnified

These stamps reveal life on Earth like many have never seen it. Twenty stamps feature 20 different images taken with microscopes and highly specialized photographic techniques that capture details of life undetectable by the human eye. The images show the phenomena of life in exquisitely fine detail. While stunning on their own as works of art, these images also hold scientific significance. Art director Derry Noyes designed the stamps using existing photographs.



CLUB MEETING MINUTES

BY RICK HOSLER

January 11, 2023

Happy New Year! The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Bill Laupus, President, and presiding. There were 23 members present at the Edgemere Retirement Center.

Officer Reports:

Secretary — Minutes of previous meeting were accepted without being read.

Treasurer — As of 31 December 2022 the total balance of our accounts was $11,704.68.

Program VP
Jan 11 — Little Windows on a Big World, presented by Don Wolman

Jan 25 — Bomber Warbirds of AF Plant #4, presented by Ray Cartier

Feb 08 — How Well Do You Know Your Stamps?, presented by Goeff Owens

Feb 22 — Currently Open

Mar 08 — Quarterly Auction

Membership — Currently 44 members have paid their 2023 dues.

Old Business — Twenty-one members and sixteen guests enjoyed a wonderful Holiday Dinner at the Edgemere on Dec 14.

New Business — Our 2022 Membership Directory is available for distribution. We thank Joe Patterson and Rick Hosler for their efforts

Announcements

Program — Little Windows on a Big World. Don Wolman used stamps, videos, history, culture and geography to illustrate how stamps provide insight into virtually all avenues of endeavor. Beginning with the marriage of Princess Grace and Prince Rainier of Monaco to the uninhabited lands of Antarctica and the NASA Horizon Project. Topics included postage stamp images of the tapestries of Renoir, scientific discoveries of Einstein, and the fascinating life of Will Rogers.

Jack's Albums

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

BY RICK HOSLER

Membership is now at 54 active members, since two members have deceased (see "Closed Album" below) and two members resigned.

CLOSED ALBUM

The following DPCPS members have passed away:

Gordon A. Cizon, 83, died January 31, 2022. Gordon collected Israel, UN and US. He is survived by his wife, Deidra Cizon

David Dunnigan, 81, died November 25, 2022. David collected Worldwide stamps. He is survived by his two sons Brendan and Colin.

2023 U.S. NEW ISSUES CALENDAR

This is a list of U.S. new issues expected to debut in the first few months of 2023. Forever stamps or other non-denominated stamps are listed with the current or anticipated value in parenthesis, unless otherwise noted.

Jan. 5 **Red Fox**. Two 40¢ definitive stamps (one design), pane of 20, coils of 3,000 and 10,000; BCA; Fox, AR 72051

Jan. 5 **School Bus**. Two (24¢) additional-ounce definitive stamps (single design), pane of 20 and coil of 100; BCA; High Point, NC 27260

Jan. 12 **Year of the Rabbit**. One (60¢) forever commemorative stamp, pane of 20; Lunar New Year series; BCA; San Francisco, CA 94188

Jan. 19 **Love**. Two (60¢) forever special stamps, pane of 20; puppy, kitten; BCA; Austin, TX 78710

Jan. 22 **Sailboats**. Four (48¢) postcard-rate definitive stamps (two designs), pane of 20 and coil of 100; single sailboat, two sailboats; AP; Lahaina, HI 96761

Jan. 22 **Florida Everglades**. One $9.65 Priority Mail definitive stamp, pane of four; American Landmarks series; BCA; Homestead, FL 33030

Jan. 22 **Great Smoky Mountains**. One $28.75 Priority Mail Express definitive stamp, pane of four; American Landmarks series; BCA; Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Jan. 23 **Ernest J. Gaines**. One (63¢) forever commemorative stamp, pane of 20; Black Heritage series; BCA; Lafayette, LA 70501

Feb. 16 **Women's Soccer**. Single (63¢) forever commemorative stamp, pane of 20; BCA; Orlando, FL 32862

Feb. 24 **Floral Geometry**. Single $10 stamp, pane of four; BCA; San Diego, CA 92199;

Mar. 1 Patriotic Block. One (5¢) nonprofit definitive coil stamp, coils of 3,000 and 10,000; Liberty, NY 12754

Mar. 7 **Toni Morrison**. Single (63¢) forever commemorative stamp, pane of 20; BCA; Princeton, NJ 08540

Mar. 9 **Railroad Stations**. Five (63¢) forever commemorative stamps, pane of 20; Tamaqua Station in Pennsylvania; Point of Rocks Station in Maryland; Main Street Station in Richmond, Va.; Santa Fe Station in San Bernardino, Calif.; and Union Station in Cincinnati, Ohio; Cincinnati, OH 45234.

Mar. 24 **Art of the Skateboard**. Four (63¢) forever commemorative stamps, pane of 20; Phoenix, AZ 85026

Apr. 5 **Tulip Blossoms**. Ten (63¢) forever definitive stamps, double-sided pane of 20; Woodburn, OR 97071

Apr. 24 **Roy Lichtenstein**. Five (63¢) forever special stamps, pane of 20; Standing Explosion (Red), 1965; Modern Painting I, 1966; Still Life with Crystal Bowl, 1972; Still Life with Goldfish, 1972; and Portrait of a Woman, 1979; New York, NY 10199

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.

WANTED

Postally used Hong Kong, Scott range #218 - #791. See Geoff Owens at club meetings or contact gmoptx@verizon.net.

Poland *not* listed in Scott, Imperforates, locals including Poczta Polska overprints, military stamps, POW, Displaced Persons Camps, Polish Post in Italy. Prefer postally used. No revenues. See Stan Bartnikowski at club meetings or contact stan.bartnikowski@gmail.com.