

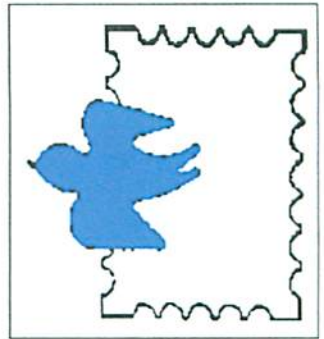
# ROCKFORD STAMP NOTES

## ROCKFORD STAMP CLUB

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Monthly meetings at Ken-Rock Community Center, 3200 11th St., Rockford, IL

### Wednesday, June 1, 2016

6:00 pm - Buy, sell and trade  
View auction lots  
7:00 pm - Meeting & auction

### Tuesday, June 21, 2016

9:30 am - Buy, Sell and trade  
View auction lots  
10:00 am - Meeting & auction

**1st Wednesday Update:** The Wednesday May 4th business meeting was attended by 28 members. The club Treasury stands at \$3,428.02 after all show expenses are in. This is now at a comfortable balance to weather any future show shortfalls. Auction Chairman, **Frank Schmitt** gave an interesting report about the 2016 auction. We cleared \$222 vs \$189 last year with 85 more lots. \$110 was the highest winning bid.

Show & Tell items were presented by **Stanley Campbell**  
1)Registered letter from the Belgian Congo to David Meltzer, a long time Belvidere stamp collector and dealer  
2)PO Announcement from 1873 by the 2nd Assistant PM informing why a route was changed in Sauk County  
3) Philipine Guerilla Currency. **Steve Capone** showed a "Keep Smiling" label tied to a letter from 1922. **Tim Wait** showed a fancy cancel G P, for Garden Prairie, IL in Boone County from the 1930s.

The raffle raised \$57 and was won by **Matt Mace**.

### **16 Page Exhibit Frames**

Compex, the Chicago region's combined stamp show was held last weekend in Arlington Heights. They have finally decided to sell off some of their frames and we are first in line. I am negotiating to purchase 50 sixteen page frames to replace the nine page narrow wooden frames we have had for over 50 years! This will allow us to once again have a competitive exhibition and continue to build The Rockford Stamp Show into a regional show destination. Look for more info in August.

### **No Wednesday Night Meeting in July**

Remember we do not have the Wednesday night meeting in July due to the 4th of July holiday. The Tuesday group still meets. Mark your calendar to NOT attend!

**3rd Tuesday Update:** At the Tuesday May 17th get together we had 14 members. Club earned \$23.50 from the auction. We had the first ever **Tuesday Mini-Mystery Box raffle**. The club earned \$6.50 and the winner was **Larry Hammes**. Look forward to more Mini-Mystery Box raffles in the future.

Remember, we do have the Tuesday morning meeting in July. There is no newsletter in July so you'll just have to remember extra long! **The date is July 19th.**

### In Memorial



Club Member, **Harry Fletcher**, Eagle Scout and gifted track coach passed away April 29th after starting a track meet in Rockford. Harry was a regular Tuesday morning attendee with Herb and Lorne. Harry was active in the Boy Scouts for 68 years! He will be missed.



### Upcoming Area Stamp Shows

#### **Sat-Sun Jun 25-26 - MSDA Milwaukee Show**

Milwaukee, WI. 6401 S. 13th St. Crowne Plaza Milwaukee Airport. Hours Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3. 15 dealers, free admission.

#### **Sat-Sun July 9-10 - MSDA Summer Show**

Prospect Heights, IL. Country Inn & Suites, 600 N. Milwaukee Ave. Hours Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3. 18 dealers, free admission.

Join the fun, free rides to stamp shows available!

# U.S. 2016 New Issues

## Indiana Statehood June 7—Indianapolis, IN



This stamp celebrates the 200th anniversary of Indiana's statehood.

Known as the Hoosier State, Indiana became the 19th state of the Union on December 11, 1816. According to the USPS, "Indiana has often been considered the heartland of America...Its fertile soil has long made it ideal for crops like corn, which remains a staple of Indiana's agricultural economy." For this reason, the stamp features a photograph of the expansive cornfields near Milford, Indiana, at sunset. The state also is known for the Indianapolis 500 and its devotion to basketball. Issued in PSA pane of 20.

## EID Holiday Greetings June 10—Dearborn, MI



This stamp commemorates the two most important festivals—or eids—in the Islamic calendar: Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha. The gold-colored calligraphy on the stamp was created by world-renowned calligrapher Mohamed Zakariya. It reads Eidukum mubarak, "May your Eid be bountiful (or blessed)." The calligraphy on previous Eid stamps issued by the USPS read Eid mubarak, "may the religious holiday be blessed."

To the right of the script, a stylized olive branch rendered in gold carries connotations of abundance, family, hospitality, and peace. Issued in PSA pane of 20.



## Soda Fountain Favorites June 30—Elliston Place Soda Shop, Nashville, TN

The U.S. Postal Service celebrates soda fountain favorites with five examples of the cool, fizzy confections: a double-scoop ice cream cone, an egg cream, a banana split, a root beer float, and a hot fudge sundae.

During the 17th and 18th centuries, scientists and physicians touted the curative properties of mineral water. As the 19th century progressed, thousands of soda fountains sprang up inside American restaurants, candy shops, department stores and pharmacies. By the late 1800s, Americans had long since begun drinking carbonated beverages for their pleasant taste.

By the turn of the 20th century the ice cream soda had become a fountain staple. While the number of soda fountains has decreased, soda fountain culture lives on in homes, restaurants, and ice cream parlors. The joy of sharing a soda or a sundae is an indelible American tradition. Issued in PSA panes of 20.

## Jaime Escalante July 13—Washington, DC



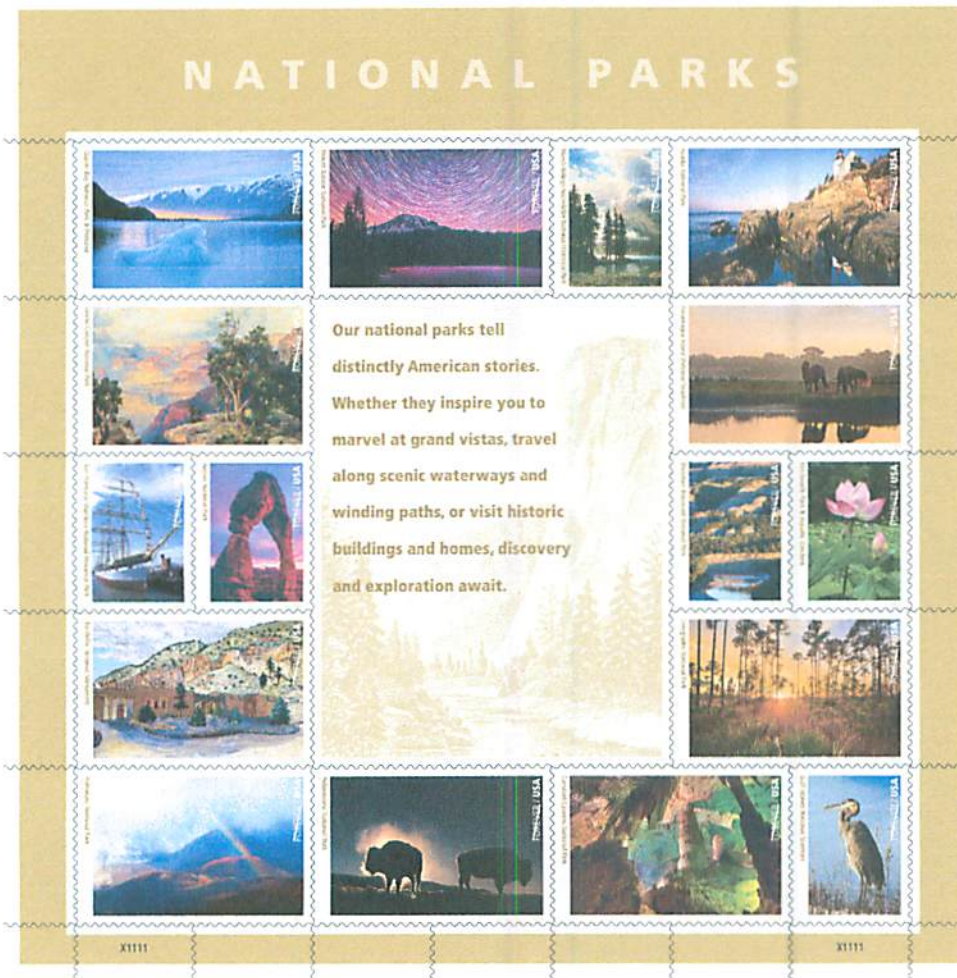
Born to two schoolteachers in La Paz, Bolivia, Jaime Escalante migrated to the United States in 1963, and in 1974 obtained a teaching position at Garfield High in East L.A., a school with high dropout rates and gang violence. He was assigned to teach basic math to students who appeared to be undisciplined and uninterested. Using a variety of unusual methods—bonding with students over their shared love of the Lakers basketball team, dressing as a chef and using cooking as a way to teach percentages, competing against his students in sporting events and teasing them about their habits and tastes; he motivated students to attend class to learn.

In 1988 the story of the dedicated teacher and his highly motivated students was told in the movie, *Stand and Deliver*, and the book *Escalante: The Best Teacher in America*. In 1998, he retired from teaching in the U.S., and a year later was inducted into the National Teachers Hall of Fame. He died on March 30, 2010.

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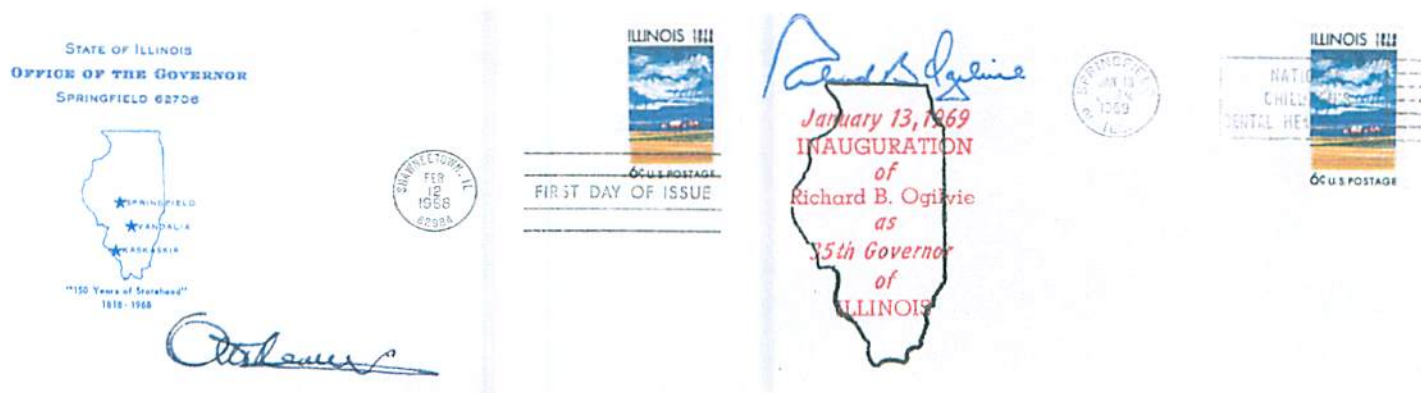
## National Parks Centennial June 2—New York, NY

As reported in the May, *Rockford Stamp Notes*, here is a picture of the complete sheet showing all 16 images in the forthcoming National Parks issue.



- Acadia National Park, Bar Harbor, Maine
- Arches National Park, Moab, Utah
- Assateague Island National Seashore, Maryland & Virginia
- Bandelier National Monument, New Mexico
- Carlsbad Caverns National Park, New Mexico
- Everglades National Park, Florida
- Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, Alaska
- Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona
- Gulf Islands National Seashore, Florida and Mississippi
- Kenilworth Park & Aquatic Gardens, D.C.
- Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park, Woodstock, Vermont
- Mount Rainier National Park, Washington
- Haleakalā National Park, Hawaii
- San Francisco Maritime National Historic Park, California
- Theodore Roosevelt National Park, North Dakota
- Yellowstone National Park, ID, MT and WY

## Illinois Governors



**Otto Kerner Jr.** (August 15, 1908 – May 9, 1976) was the 33rd governor of Illinois from 1961 to 1968. In 1968 he was convicted of 17 counts of mail fraud, conspiracy, perjury and related charges. He was sentenced to three years in federal prison and fined \$50,000. The first of four of the last Illinois Governors' to go to prison!

**Richard Buell Ogilvie** (February 22, 1923 – May 10, 1988) was the 35th governor of Illinois and served from 1969 to 1973.

**Samuel Harvey Shapiro** (born **Israel Shapiro**) (April 25, 1907 – March 16, 1987) was the 34th Governor of Illinois, serving from 1968 to 1969. This is an elusive signature!

# RECENT ACQUISITIONS (or Neat Stuff I Really Like) By Tim Wait



Rec. No. 47283

APRIL 30 1942

This communication returned to sender because it is addressed to an enemy or enemy-occupied country. Personal messages of not more than 25 words may be sent through the American Red Cross. Information may be obtained from the nearest Red Cross office.

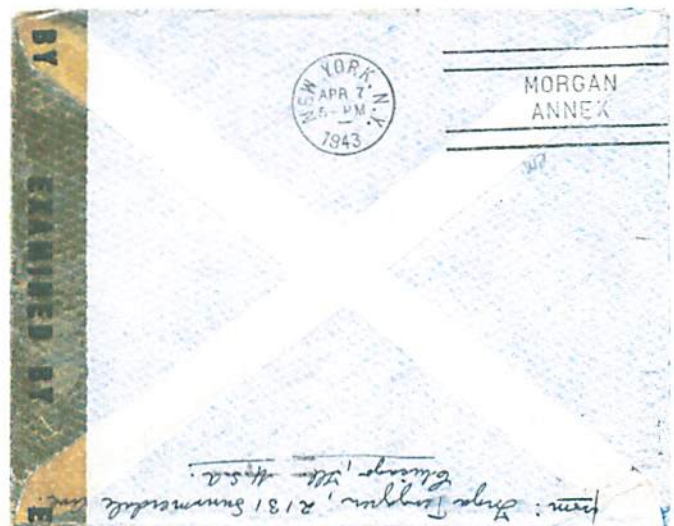
Form NC-12  
5907

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**Registered airmail letter** mailed April 27, 1942—Brooklyn, N.Y. (Sta. C) - To Sweden. Received New York, U.S.A. Reg'y Div. April 27 and New York, U.S.A. Foreign April 27. Examined April 30 in New York by Inspector #5907 resealed and "RETURNED TO SENDER BY CENSOR" label placed over foreign address. Postmarked May 1, 1942, New York, U.S.A. Foreign, when returned. Received May 1, 1942, Brooklyn N.Y. Reg Sec Tour 3.

Preprinted note, Form NC-12, included with letter personalized with Reg. No. 47283, date April 20 1942 and Inspector #5907 stating reason for return.

This was a very fast turn around for Suspended delivery mail. Only five days from mailing to return receipt.



Censorship Regulations prohibit the mailing of printed matter of this type to the destination shown on the cover of this communication unless specifically licensed by the Office of Censorship or by the Board of Economic Warfare.

Form 584 7937

6787 actg.

**Airmail letter** mailed April 2, 1943—Chicago, ILL. - To Europe. Since this was not registered there was no transit information required. Examined by Inspector #7937 and Form OC-15 "RETURNED TO SENDER BY CENSOR" label applied over foreign address. Machine cancel April 7, 1943 5PM New York, N.Y. Morgan Annex when returned to sender in Chicago. Again fast service to return this letter.

Preprinted note, Form 584, included with personalized Inspector #7937 and #6787 with wording, maybe a second check?

This note was different than the regular service suspended. Upon opening for inspection it was found to contain Printed Matter that was prohibited to send to the destination.

Two interesting letters that show different aspects of handling mail during WWII.



**WEB SITE UPDATE** - We are looking to get more information on the Website. Please log on and take a look. Contact Webmaster, Ted Gifford with any comments or bring it up at a meeting.

**German "Zeppelin" Stamps**

Germany first issued a set of two "Graf Zeppelin Crossing Ocean" stamps in 1928. A 1 Mark stamp in carmine was issued in 1931. The stamps were printed for a Polar Flight in 1930 and overprinted for the Century of Progress Flight to Chicago, via Rio de Janeiro, in 1933.



1st Flight to South America  
May 18, 1930  
LZ. 127



Polar Flight  
July 24, 1931  
LZ. 127



Postcard to 1st American Flight 1929.



Letter to US on 1933 Century of Progress Flight.

**MEMBER AD**

**For Sale:** World Wide off paper 4oz special \$6.95. Contact DR Arnquist 815-226-9020.

**MEMBER AD**

**Wanted:** Old letters from Boone & Winnebago County, IL. Contact Tim Wait at 815-670-5869 or email t.wait@comcast.net.

**NEW MEMBER AD**

**Wanted:** FDC-Doris Gold Cachet Unaddressed and signed by Doris Gold. Cash or trade. Contact Hank Fox at one of the meetings.

**THANK YOU - ROCKFORD 2016 STAMP SHOW DEALERS**

We had a great show with 14, yes 14 dealers on Saturday with two not being able to stay for Sunday. All the dealers were doing brisk business Saturday morning, which continued throughout the weekend.

**New for 2016**

David Alex  
Glenview, IL  
847-291-7826

**Applebox Philatelic's**

Richard Duda  
Mt. Prospect, IL  
847-439-7614

**Farrell Stamps**

Len Farrell  
Brookfield, IL  
708-280-7114

**John's Stamp Den**

John Steele  
Washington, IL  
309-444-8247

**Alroy Stamps**

Al Lenz  
Schaumburg, IL  
847-524-0147

**Geezer's**

Dave Birch  
Oakwood, IL  
217-260-9375

**Rockford Coin & Stamp**

Steve Jennings  
Rockford, IL  
815-282-4444

**Pfohl's Stamps**

John "Kermit" Kirpes  
Dubuque, IA  
563-582-6247

**Phil Edwards**

Normal, IL  
309-452-2593

**Steve Capone**

Rockford, IL  
815-394-0537

**W. H. Burdick**

Mtn. Home, AR  
870-425-7799

**Terry Kurzinski**

Cherry Valley, IL  
815-262-9117

**DMS Collectibles**

John Butler  
Normal, IL  
309-963-4248

**Newland's Stamps & Post Cards**

Jim Newland  
Peru, IL  
815-794-1984

# ROCKFORD STAMP CLUB

We invite all area collectors to join us at a future meeting of the Rockford Stamp Club. Meetings are held the first Wednesday at 6:00pm, every month except July, and the third Tuesday of every month at 9:30am, at the Ken-Rock Community Center, 3200 11th St., Rockford, Illinois. Each meeting begins with a buy/sell/trade session followed by a lively, unreserved stamp auction. Come discover the fun of stamp collecting. All ages welcome.

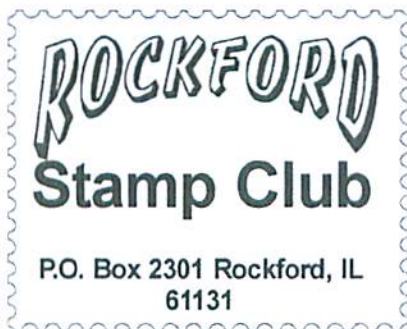
## The 2016 Club Officers

President.....Steve Capone  
779-771-9527  
Vice-President.....Frank Schmitt  
Secretary.....Tammy Copus  
Treasurer.....Hank Fox  
815-397-0573  
Director.....Matt Mace  
Director.....Tim Copus  
Director.....Terry Kurzinski  
Webmaster.....Ted Gifford  
Show Chairman.....Tim Wait  
815-670-5869

## Perry Arnquist Award Recipients

1991 Perry Arnquist Emeritus	1999 Dwane Kaplenk*
1992 Evert Thelene *	2000 Thomas Johnston
1993 Donald Arnquist	2001 Mike Peters
1994 Otto Ehlers *	2002 Craig Edgington
1995 Dick Wibom	2003 Earl Button
1996 Dan Hammell *	2004 Timothy Wait
1997 Robert Rosell *	2012 Tim Gallagher *
1998 Matt Mace	

\* Closed album



**MAY Meetings**

**Wednesday, Jun 1 and Tuesday Jun 21**

**See YOU there!**