

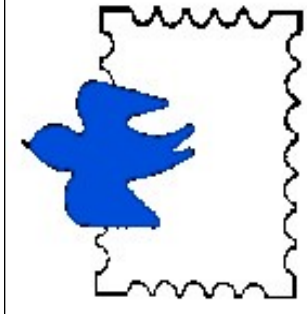
ROCKFORD STAMP NOTES

ROCKFORD STAMP CLUB

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Monthly meeting/auction at Ken-Rock Community Center, 3200 11th St., Rockford, IL

Wednesday, June 5, 2019

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

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

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

1st Wednesday Update: The Wednesday May 1st meeting had 21 members in attendance and 49 lots in the auction. Not much new or old business. Discussed number of lots for the auction, raised the limit to 15 per member on Wednesday night, and considering changing the Wednesday meeting start time to 6:30.

Show & Tell.....

1. **Hank Fox** - a) 1831 Train 1st class carriage vs 2nd class b) 1958 Lincoln Douglas debate covers
2. **Stanley Campbell** - Civil War illustrated envelopes, patriotic covers advertising voting and American Flag used from Rockton.

Thank you all for sharing. It's YOUR turn next month!

Tammy & Tim have lost their mojo on the **Mystery Raffle**. For the second month in a row it was won by **Dave Archer**.

Remember we DO NOT have a July Wednesday night meeting., only the Tuesday meeting. Get your fill up of stamp collecting fun at the June Wednesday meeting.

3rd Tuesday Update: At the Tuesday May 21st we had 20 members and 90 auction lots. **Winston Ackmann** had a good group as club lots that raised \$17.25 for the club. Thank you Winston! Marianne Miller, Winnebago, IL Postmaster passed on two peoples names who were interested in the club. Hank contacted them and **Lynn Rhode** came to the Tuesday meeting.

The American Philatelist

The May issue of the APS magazine had a nice picture of Tim giving Susan Jones one of her awards at the banquet and a very nice article about our 2-3-4 frame competition and how nationally recognized philatelists have been exhibiting at our show. This is great free advertising for the show!



Upcoming Area Stamp Shows

Fri-Sat-Sun May 31 Jun 1-2 COMPLEX '19

River Grove, IL. Guerin College Preparatory High School, 8001 W. Belmont Ave. Hours Fri-Sat 10-6, Sun 10-4. 35+ dealers, judged exhibits, free admission. Phone 773-775-2100.

Sat-Sun Jul 6-7 MSDA Milwaukee Summer Show

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

Sat-Sun Jul 27-28 MSDA Summer Show

Wheeling, IL Ramada Inn, 1090 S. Milwaukee. Hours Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3. 15 dealers, free admission.

Wednesday Night's Program

Matt Mace will be giving us an interesting presentation on a mystery topic. You better come to the meeting to find out what he has to say!

Join the fun, free rides to stamp shows available!

USS Missouri

1st Class Forever Rate
 Pane of 20
 Jun 11—Honolulu, HI



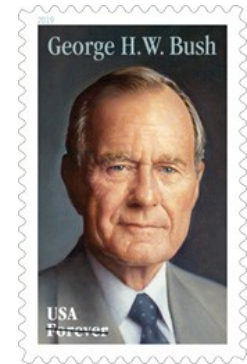
The **USS Missouri (BB-63)**, America's last battleship, is the subject on an issue that coincides with the 75th anniversary of the ship's commissioning on June 11, 1944. The stamp art depicts *Missouri* in the disruptive camouflage she wore from her commissioning until a refit in early 1945. *Missouri* earned numerous combat awards and citations during her decades of service, which include World War II, the Korean War and Operation Desert Storm. She played a momentous role when she hosted the ceremony marking Japan's surrender and the end of World War II. Designed by art director Greg Breeding, the stamp features a digital illustration by Dan Cosgrove.

Frogs

1st Class Forever Rate
 Pane of 20
 Jul 9—Boise, ID



Frogs are seen on four new stamps in a booklet of 20, featuring digital illustrations of four North American frogs: the Pacific tree frog, the northern leopard frog, the American green tree frog and the squirrel tree frog. Working with a primarily green color palette and touches of brown, artist Nancy Stahl captured the essence of each animal with enough important defining features to make each recognizable. Art director William J. Gicker designed the stamps.


George H.W. Bush

1st Class Forever Rate
 Pane of 20
 Jun 12—College Station, TX

Bush 41 as he is informally known as to differentiate him from his son Bush 43, was a long time political servant. Born June 12, 1924, he was elected to the US House of Representatives in 1967. Ambassador to the UN, Director of the CIA, Vice-President under Ronald Reagan and President from 1989 to 1993.

Defeated by Bill Clinton, they went on to forge a significant friendship through a variety of charitable work.

He was very active in his 90's even skydiving at age 90!


Moon Landing

1st Class Forever Rate
 Pane of 20
 Jul 19—Cape Canaveral, FL

As expected, the U.S. Postal Service has announced that they will be releasing an issue to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing. There will be two different stamps. In an understandable departure from their "no living American" rules, one stamp features a photograph of Apollo 11 astronaut Buzz Aldrin in his space suit on the surface of the moon. The image was taken by astronaut Neil Armstrong. Despite much better alternatives, the other stamp reproduces a photograph of the moon taken in 2010, showing a dot to indicate the landing site of the lunar module in the Sea of Tranquility.

The Postal People state that the selva of the sheet will include an image of the lunar module, but have not yet provided the sheet image. The stamp will be issued on July 19, rather than on July 20 when the Lunar Module Eagle touched down, or July 21 when Neil Armstrong took that historic "one small step for [a] man, one giant leap for mankind."

Welcome to the Rockford Illinois Stamp Club Website

www.rockfordstampclub.com

WEB SITE UPDATE - The NEW website was unveiled January 2019! We have started adding content including past issues of *Rockford Stamp Notes* and pictures. Please let us know your comments. Tim & Frank - webmasters.

President's Corner - Frank Schmitt

Greetings fellow Rockford Stamp Club members:

We have hopefully completed winter and will be welcoming back our stamp club snowbirds to our meetings. As the nice weather arrives many put their stamp albums aside to enjoy the summer weather and vacation travel. Keep in mind we will suffer some extremely hot days during the summer season so continue to attend the meetings and auctions to accumulate an "emergency stash" of stamps, covers, and post cards to sort and mount in air-conditioned comfort. If you are traveling, remember to keep an eye out for local stamp shops, shows, and possibly a club meeting.

Unfortunately, I will not be in attendance at the June or October meetings (due to travel) or the Tuesday morning auctions due to a previous summer Tuesday morning commitment (May to October) but I will always be there in spirit.

I must also apologize for the fact that a Board of Directors meeting has not been held as had been anticipated and discussed at last month's meeting. Many members were unavailable to meet due to travel, illness or family member illnesses. The main point of discussion was to be the number of auction lots allowed at both the Wednesday and Tuesday auctions. In my humble opinion I believe this will for the most part self-regulate and is generally a non-issue. No one should ever feel or be refused the opportunity to place lots in an auction. If we have to take an extra table and some members will just have to sit in chairs on those rare occasions we have an excessive number of lots, let's just be understanding and do that. It would be nice to see more lots in the Wednesday evening meeting auctions, so all members have a better selection of lots to bid on. If you will bear with us (the board of directors) and just ride the wave for a while longer it would be much appreciated.

Matt Mace will have a presentation for the June meeting. Show and tell items are always welcomed, so bring and share your pièce de résistance. You are also always welcome to do a presentation on your area of interest or subject of choice just let us know.

Happy collecting! Remember, we do not have a July meeting, but the 3rd Tuesday auction goes on as scheduled.

ROCKFORD 2-3-4 Stamp Expo 2019 Dealers

Thank you to our 2019 dealers! All our dealers were busy selling and buying stamps, covers and other philatelic items. The dealers were also major contributors, both selling and buying in our silent auction. Dealers are the backbone of philately, working hard to make sure we can fully enjoy our hobby! Please support them throughout the year.

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ROCKFORD STAMP CLUB

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

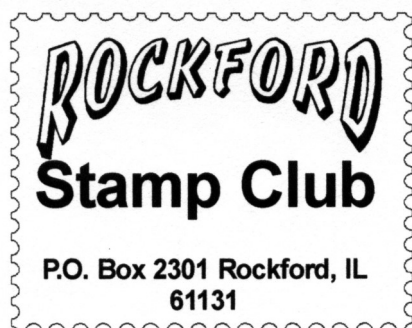
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Perry Arnquist Award Recipients

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



June Meetings

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**Share something you collect for
Show and Tell**