

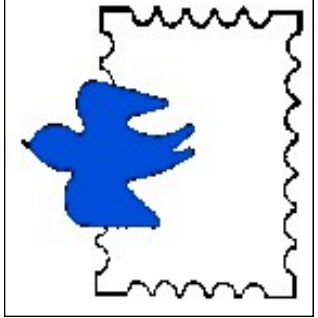
ROCKFORD STAMP NOTES

ROCKFORD STAMP CLUB

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

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

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

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

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

1st Wednesday Update: At the Wednesday **October 2nd** we had 19 members in attendance. Lately our attendance had been well off the upper 20's we used to enjoy. What's keeping you from attending? Please let us know.

Nominations need to be made at the November meeting. If you want to nominate anyone for office, please see one of the nominating committee, **Stanley Campbell, Jeff Rieken** or **Dave Archer**.

Show & Tell.....

1. **Hank Fox** - brought in match book covers with stamp advertising from **Lorne Laidlaw**.
2. **Jeff Rieken** - showed some unused WWII Prisoner of War envelopes. They had to use these approved forms to send letters home.
3. **Stanley Campbell** - a) Spanish American War checks from 1899 with extra tax stamps b) Lindbergh Flies Again 1928 Peoria cover.
4. **Steve Capone** - showed two interesting covers with tied labels. 1922 "Keep Smiling" and 1940 "Safety First / We Love our Children".

Thank you all for participating.

We still need ideas for a 2020 Stamp Show Theme. Historical, local, state, national or international. Philatelic related event, etc. Mention your idea at the meeting or let Tim know.

The **Mystery Raffle** was won by **Jerry Van Alstyne**.

Wednesday Night's Program

Do you have a stamp collecting topic you would like to share your knowledge of at our Wednesday meeting? Our members are always interested to hear about your collecting interests. Please see Frank or Tim to schedule a talk.

No volunteers yet, so please take a few moments and find something you can bring to Show & Tell!

3rd Tuesday Update: Tuesday **October 15th** we had 16 on board with former member **Jonathan Gaenzle** rejoining the club. A lively auction of 87 lots was called by **Steve Capone**. **Danny St. Jacques** brought a treat of donuts and apple fritters! **Jim Stadermann** was back after having a pace maker installed. Welcome back Jim!



C18 Oct. 2, 1933 Century of Progress Issue New York, NY. The affordable "Baby Zep"! Cat \$85 MNH.



Upcoming Area Stamp Shows

Fri-Sun Nov 22-24 133rd CHICAGOPEX

Itasca, IL. Westin Chicago Northwest, 400 Park Blvd. Chicago Philatelic Society. Hours Fri-Sat 10-6, Sun 10-4. 75+ dealers, 318 exhibit frames. Free admission. **Don't miss the Big Show! See page our for more info.**

Sat Nov 30 SUPEX

Countryside, IL. Union of Operating Engineers Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd. Suburban Collector's Club of Chicago. Bourse only.

Sat-Sun Dec 7-8 MSDA Madison Show

Madison, WI. Crowne Plaza - Madison, 4402 East Washington Ave. Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3. 15 dealers, free admission.

Join the fun, free rides to stamp shows available!

Holiday Wreaths

1st Class Forever Rate
Double sided booklet of 20
Oct 25—Freeport, ME

The 2019 contemporary holiday stamps will highlight wreaths inspired by the holiday decorating traditions of early America. Wreaths are often made from materials easily found during the winter months, including pinecones, dried flowers and berries. In clockwise order from upper left:

- The ribbon leaf wreath is inspired by French floral art. Aspidistra leaves, folded and manipulated to resemble ribbons, create a long-lasting wreath.
- Gilded pinecones and magnolia pods grace the wreath trimmed with cranberry red ribbon.
- The woodland bush ivy and red winterberry wreath presents a classic red and green palette.
- Red and gold ribbons adorns the wreath made from gilded dried hydrangea, eucalyptus and nandina foliage, red berries, and small ornaments.



USPS Holiday Stamps

In recent years the USPS has issued a smaller selection of Holiday stamps each year. Many of the past year's issues are still on sale through their website and at some post offices.

A review of the USPS website shows these Holiday stamps for sale.

Holiday Wreaths - 2018
Christmas Carols - 2017
Sparkling Christmas - 2018
Madonna & Child - 2016 & 2018

Hanukkah - 2018 & 206
Kwanzaa - 2018 & 2016
EID - 2016

You can order at: store.usps.com.



President's Corner - Frank Schmitt

Greetings fellow Rockford Stamp Club members:

Wow, this weather sure encourages one to dig out the stamp albums and update the want lists. I know it is making me want to stay inside where it is warm and dry and change focus on my daily activities.

Although I have been an absentee President, and will continue to be for the next couple of Wednesday night meetings, it doesn't mean I have been inactive in the stamp collecting scene. On the return trip from Nashville, I was able to visit the INDYPEX '19 show in Noblesville, IN on Sunday, October 6th, the last day of a 3-day show. By all appearances it was a successful show and it was interesting to meet some different dealers than are normally in this area. I did make a couple of purchases and one dealer I met will be bringing items of interest, which he did not have with him, to CHICA-GOPEX 2019, November 22-24th, so now it is a MUST attend for me.

I was also able to attend the MSDA show in Wheeling on October 12th picking up a catalog and some supplies plus a stamp purchase or two. Whenever I travel I always check Linn's for stamp shows along my travel routes and check local directories for stamp shops and stop if I am able, it is always interesting to see what treasures you may find.

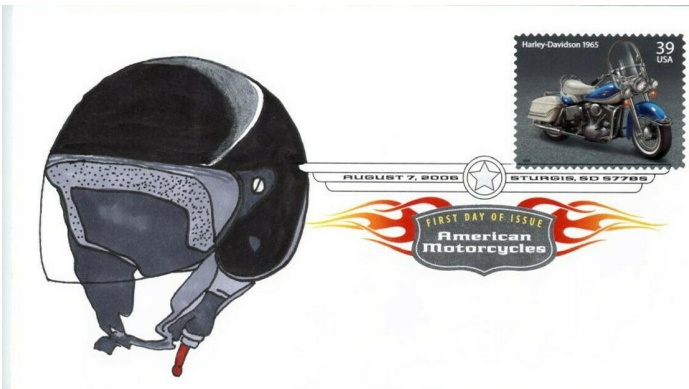
It is not too early to start planning your involvement in our upcoming Rockford 2-3-4 Stamp Expo, March 21-22, 2020. We are counting on you to volunteer in one of the many areas of needs, participating with an exhibit, participating in the silent auction (selling and buying). It is you, the members, that make the show a success with your participation and support. A big thanks to Gerald Zimmerman for storing the exhibit frames.

Keep the show and tell materials coming for sharing at the meetings and remember to get your favorite stamp to Tim to be included in the newsletter and considering sharing a snippet for the newsletter on your topical collecting interests.

Elections are fast approaching, get your nominations in to the nomination committee.

Thanks to everyone for stepping up during my absence. Happy collecting!

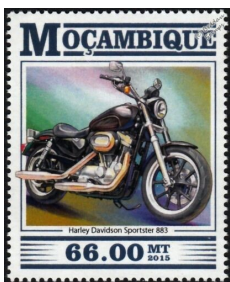
Topical Corner - Harley-Davidson Motorcycles



United States 2006
Color Postmark



Maldives 2015



Mozambique 2015

Harley-Davidson, Inc., is an American motorcycle manufacturer founded in 1903 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. It was one of two major American motorcycle manufacturers to survive the Great Depression, along with Indian. The company has survived numerous ownership arrangements, subsidiary arrangements, periods of poor economic health and product quality, and intense global competition to become one of the world's largest motorcycle manufacturers and an iconic brand widely known for its loyal following. There are owner clubs and events worldwide, as well as a company-sponsored, brand-focused museum.



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Chicagopex November 22-24, 2019

CHICAGOPEX 2019 offers activities for New Collectors through Experienced Exhibitors, no matter what level of collector you are, CHICAGOPEX 2019 has something to offer. **The show runs Nov. 22-24 at the Westin Chicago Northwest, 400 Park Blvd. in Itasca, Ill.**

The annual philatelic exhibition and stamp show, honoring 133 years of the Chicago Philatelic Society, features five convening societies: the India Study Circle for Philately, Lithuania Philatelic Society, Polonus Polish Philatelic Society, Rossica Society of Russian Philately, and the Ukrainian Philatelic and Numismatic Society. Each group will present special exhibits of stamps and postal history as well as hold meetings open to the public.

Advanced collectors and exhibitors will want to attend on Friday at noon, when Scott Tiffney, Director of Information Services for the American Philatelic Research Library, will give a presentation on how to conduct digital research using the APRL holdings. At 2pm on Friday, Dr. Susan Smith, Winton M. Blount Research Chair at the Smithsonian National Postal Museum, will speak on "Researching Postal History Collections in Washington, D.C."

Intermediate collectors can take advantage of 318 frames of exhibits – they are open for view to show attendees all three days of the show. Saturday afternoon, the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors will hold an open forum where they provide exhibiting tips and guidance and answer questions from the audience.

While it is possible to tailor one's show plans by experience level, the Chicagopex show committee encourages attendees to be open to a variety of events. The show is an opportunity to learn from and share with other stamp enthusiasts as well as a chance to buy from more than 75 dealers from around the U.S. and some from abroad. They will offer a vast array of material to interest everyone.

The following groups are also meeting at the show (all free and open to the public): · Chicago Philatelic Society (Saturday) · Germany Philatelic Society Chapter #5 (Saturday) · Scandinavian Collectors Club Chicago chapter (Sunday) · Illinois Postal History Society (Sunday) Many of these groups feature expert guest speakers giving talks open to the public. The full schedule will appear in the show program, which will be available at the hospitality desk in the hotel's atrium. It's also available on the Chicagopex.org website.

On Saturday morning, the APS Committee for National Exhibits and Judging (CANEJ) will be presenting session entitled "Enhancing the Joy of Creating and Judging Exhibits." The U.S. Postal Service and the U.N. Postal Administration will each have booths where they will be selling a variety of stamp issues and collectable items.

2019 also marks the 53rd anniversary of the philatelic literature competition with the books and other materials on display. CHICAGOPEX judges also evaluate electronic literature such as websites, blogs and online articles.

The show also includes a youth booth with free stamps and supplies. Attendees are asked to contact the hotel to make reservations and to mention CHICAGOPEX for the special room rate. **Admission and parking are free.** Show hours are: **Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**



As you just read, Chicagopex is more than just a stamp show with dealers and exhibits. This just scratches the surface of what all is going on at the show. There are a multitude of meetings, and seminars to really learn about your hobby.

The 318 frames of exhibits show a wide variety of topics in addition to those of the convening societies. The literature competition is also interesting to see what new philatelic information is available.

As philatelic exhibits chairman I will be at the show from 8am Thursday (yes, that's when set up begins!) to 6pm Sunday (once the frames are all packed up!). Look for me if you have any questions or call me at 815-670-5869 and I can help you decide what you HAVE to see or do at the show.

Please go on the website, www.Chicagopex.org to see the schedule of events to make sure you don't miss out on something of interest. See YOU there!



GUAM - Captured June 20, 1898. Ceded to the US by treaty after the Spanish American War. The post office was under the jurisdiction of the Navy Department from 7/7/1899 to 3/29/1901, when the USPOD took over.

Thirteen U.S. regular issues of 1898, from 1¢ to \$1, were overprinted GUAM for use during the Navy jurisdiction. The U.S. Special Delivery "Running Messenger" of 1895 was also overprinted for use in Guam.

Collecting these stamps can be pricy and can really get expensive on cover, but there are only fourteen stamps to compete your collection!

Welcome to the Rockford Illinois Stamp Club Website

www.rockfordstampclub.com

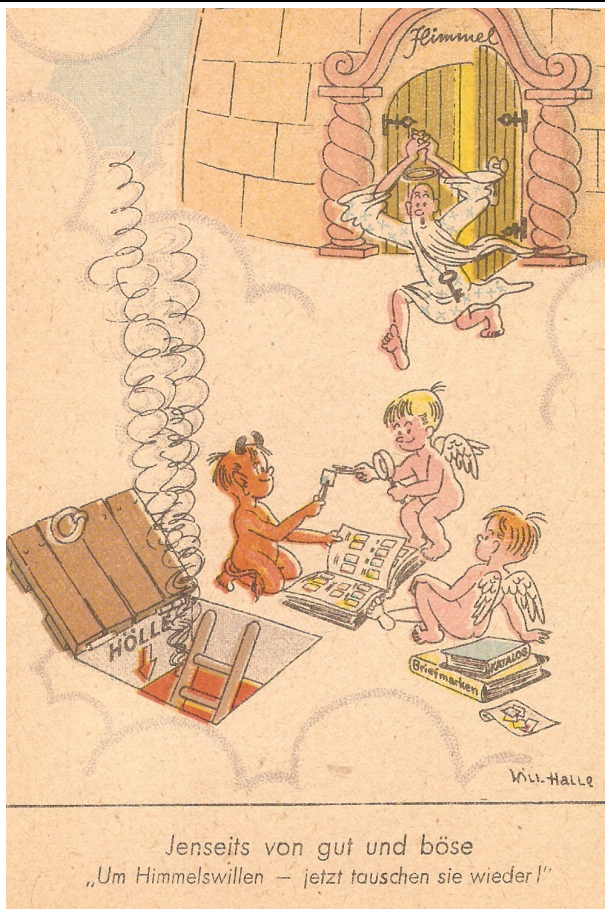
WEB SITE UPDATE - The NEW website was unveiled January 2019! We have started adding content including past issues of *Rockford Stamp Notes* and pictures. **Please let us know your comments. Tim & Frank - webmasters.**

Submitted by **Stanley Campbell**

As you can see this month, your favorite doesn't have to be a stamp!

This Swiss post card shows devils and angels sharing their enjoyment of stamp collecting, while St. Peter rushes over. Post-marked 1957, this may have been a commentary that hobbies (like stamp collecting) can bring disparate groups together.

Translation: Beyond good and evil and heavenly we will now exchange them again!



This Spot Needs A Stamp

EVERY one of you can come up with a special or favorite stamp that you can share a little story about. We have had a few in the past and I would like to build on this tradition. **Let me know what your stamp is!**

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.

Rockford Coin & Stamp

Steve Jennings
Rockford, IL
815-282-4444

Double J Stamps Jeff

Arlington Heights, IL
847-843-8700

Terry Kurzinski
Cherry Valley, IL
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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.

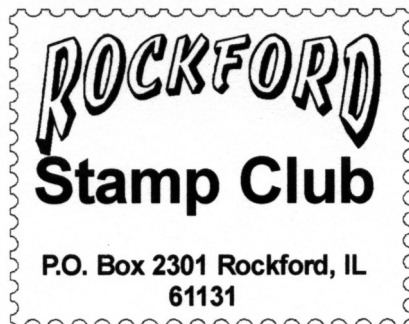
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Perry Arnquist Award Recipients

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



November Meetings

Wednesday Nov 6 — Tuesday Nov 19

**Show and Tell! Bring something to
share to the Wednesday meeting!
Everybody's doing it!**