

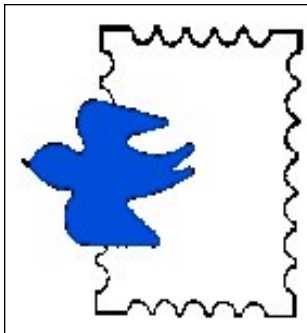
ROCKFORD STAMP NOTES

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Monthly in person meetings & auction: **To Be Determined**

Wednesday, November 18th

7:00 pm - ZOOM Meeting

Tuesday, November

CANCELED

Virtual Meeting Wednesday, November 18th

Due to the Covid-19 situation we are not ready to have in person meetings yet. We have scheduled a Virtual meeting for Wednesday, November 18th at 7:00PM. You do not need to have a camera on your computer to participate but you must have a microphone.

To participate in the meeting you will need to send an email to Frank Schmitt at pre-vent1@comcast.net no later than Tuesday, November 17th.

Frank will reply with the link to the meeting. On the day and time of the meeting, re-open his email and click on the link. If you have ZOOM loaded on your computer it should take you to the meeting. If you don't know, click on the link a few minutes early and it will instruct you on how to load ZOOM and then take you to the meeting.

If you have any questions about ZOOM, contact Frank at 815-226-4391 or Tim at 815-670-5869 (after 7pm).

This is easy, free and RISK free! Please make an effort to reach out via this call to your friends and fellow members. We all miss you!

Wednesday ZOOM Presentation Where are you?

We have had very low turn out at our first ZOOM meetings. Just six and five members. I know a lot of you have the capability to join the meeting. Let's go for a big turnout this time!

During a ZOOM meeting anyone can "Share their Screen" and show stamps or covers or make presentations from files or images on their computer. Everyone is welcome to have a show and tell, whether in a file to share or just hold it up to the screen for all to see.

Join in and enjoy being "together" with your fellow members and have a nice evening with your stamp friends.

Philately on the Internet

Last month we discussed some of the available information on a variety of websites to enjoy our hobby. Many national clubs are growing their internet content to help us through these uncertain times.

Stamp Club presentations are taking place every week. In addition there are Blogs and Chat Rooms that focus on our wonderful hobby.

You can spend many hours looking at, listening to or participating in one of these internet based activities. Try it, you might get hooked!

If you have seen something you found interesting, or know of regular meetings or presentations that are going on, please share it with me so I can pass it along to everyone in a future newsletter.



Now this is a beautiful stamp! One of my favorite stamps! E8.

Super Jumbo XF+ centering.



Upcoming Area Stamp Shows

Looks like almost all shows are canceled through the end of 2020! Check APS website for future shows at www.stamps.org.

President's Corner - Frank Schmitt

Greetings fellow Rockford Stamp Club members:

Our great threat and enemy COVID-19 is still with us and seems to be making a fierce attack on us again. Obviously, the Rockford Stamp Club will not have any in-person meetings until a resolution (vaccine) is found and we can once again meet in relative safety. No need to further comment on this matter.

We hosted our second ZOOM meeting on October 21st and had five people in attendance. We had a very pleasant time socially and also enjoyed a wonderful presentation on Civil War Revenue Stamps presented by Tim Wait. The presentation was very informative and had many beautiful examples presented on exhibit pages for our viewing. **We are scheduling another ZOOM meeting for November 18th and I encourage everyone that can attend to do so.** These meetings are accessible on desktops, laptops, tablets, and cell phones with an internet connection. Details for the ZOOM meeting are contained elsewhere in this newsletter.

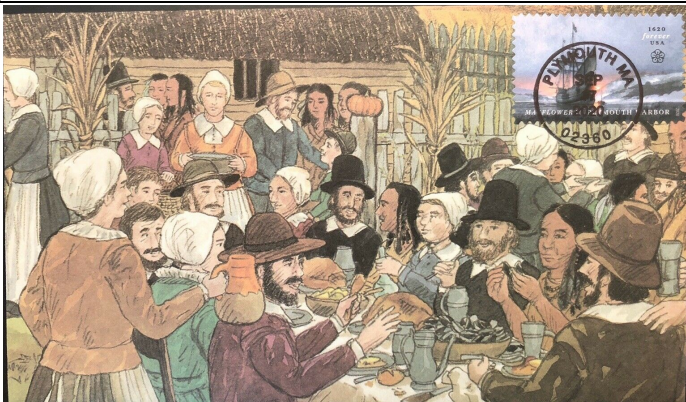
If you have internet access you have many opportunities to explore many areas of stamp collecting. During this pandemic many associations have updated their websites and content. There are many educational opportunities, auctions, stamp purchasing websites and really pretty much anything you could possibly want. In speaking with some members, they have been finding great material on-line and some at bargain prices. Take an hour or more and explore.

I know that none of these options replaces the good old-fashioned in person club meetings or shows but it is reality for today. With that in mind I recall back to my childhood when, at least my only access to stamps, was from matchbook covers and magazine advertising for packet and/or approval offerings. I recall the excitement of sending in the coupon with the required 25 cents and anxiously awaiting the arrival of an unknown treasure to be explored. I checked the mailbox every day starting the day after I posted my order. Oh, the excitement on the day the treasure arrived. Every other activity was placed on hold until a cursory inspection of the contents was made. If it was an approval packet, I then had to seek out a source of funding to purchase those must have treasures which was not always the simplest task at 8 years old. Generally cashing in pop bottles or securing a loan from Mom or Dad, \$2.00 was such a large amount back then.

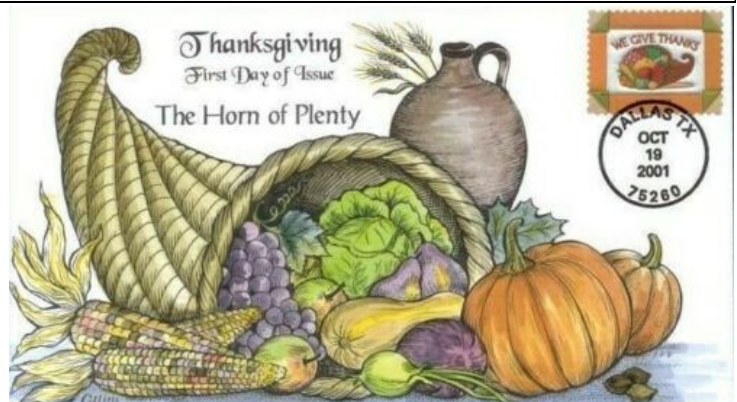
Maybe becoming involved in activity of this sort via internet will generate some of that missing excitement for you. Don't forget your local stamp shop and your favorite dealers though, they will also fulfill your current needs and hopefully guarantee that they will also survive this pandemic.

Happy collecting, stay safe, stay healthy!

Happy Thanksgiving



Sep. 17, 2020 - Mayflower in Plymouth Harbor
Hand Painted Bella Cachets #1 of 1



Oct. 19, 2001 - We Give Thanks
Hand Painted Fred Collins



1936 USS Bridge Naval Cover



1909 "A Thanksgiving Greeting" postcard

Welcome to the Rockford Illinois Stamp Club Website

www.rockfordstampclub.com

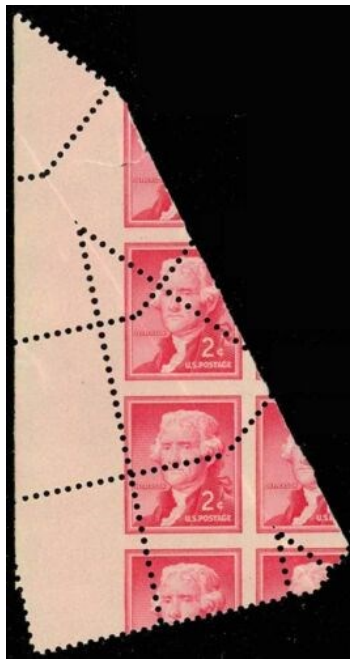
WEB SITE UPDATE - Please take a moment to go to our webpage listed above. We need to do some updates but what else would you like to see? Please let us hear your comments. Tim (t.wait@comcast.net) & Frank (prevent1@comcast.net) - webmasters.

Perforation Errors on US Stamps by Tim Wait

Below are some fun and interesting perforation errors on US stamps. Many of these are quite affordable and can jazz up your album pages with sometimes "new" stamps, or at least not what was intended. All images for sale on eBay.



Non-denominated stamp!



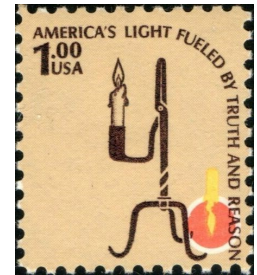
Ouch, that hurt.
Crazy fold-over.



Cut off Carl's nose to spite his face?



You can put this mis-perfed Candle Holder next to your \$15,000 invert for only \$1,600. Wouldn't that make a nice page!



Does this count as 2 cents?



Guess who?



Didn't want you to miss that this is a Christmas stamp!



Or maybe they did!

ROCKFORD 2-3-4 Stamp Expo Dealers

See below for the intended 2020 dealer lineup and some of our regular dealers who had other commitments planned. We had one new dealer this year, Tiger Collectibles from Stoutsville, MO and two dealers returning after multi-year absences, James Newland from Peoria and Pfhols' Stamps from Dubuque.

As almost all shows have been canceled, our dealer friends have not been able to go to shows to buy and sell. Please contact your favorite dealer or two and let them know what you need.

Rockford Coin & Stamp

Steve Jennings
Rockford, IL
815-282-4444

Terry Kurzinski
Cherry Valley, IL
815-262-9117

Tiger Collectibles
Scott Couch
Stoutsville, MO
816-405-3633

W. H. Burdick
Mtn. Home, AR
870-425-7799

Applebox Philatelic's

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

Fox River Stamps
Michael Mules
Salem, WI
414-234-9867

David Alex (Sat. Only)
Glenview, IL
847-291-7826

Wayne Youngblood
WYstamps.com
Prairie Du Sac, WI
608-370-9098

Buy the Stamp

Rick Hyams
Arlington Heights, IL
847-414-5408

Steve Capone
Rockford, IL
815-394-0537

Pfhols' Stamps
John Phols
Dubuque, IA
563-582-6247

Riverbank Treasurers

Jerry Wessler
New Lisbon, WI
608-515-6150

Win Schaeffer
Flossmoor, IL
708-715-4321

James Newland
Peoria, IL

Double J Stamps
Jeff
Arlington Heights, IL
847-843-8700

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.

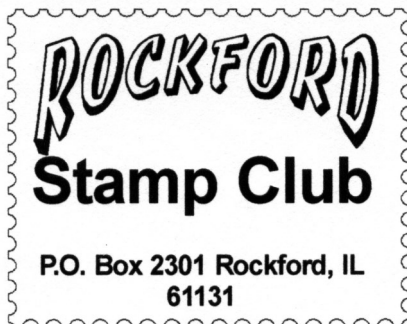
The 2020-2021 Club Officers

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Secretary.....Tammy Copus
Treasurer.....Hank Fox
815-397-0573
Director.....Tim Copus
Director.....Ted Gifford
Director.....Steve Capone
Show Chairman.....Tim Wait
815-670-5869 / t.wait@comcast.net

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



Still NO Physical Meetings Planned!

**ZOOM online meeting planed for
Wednesday, November 18th at 7pm!**

See inside on page one for details.