

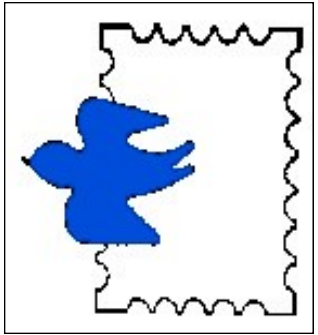
ROCKFORD STAMP NOTES

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Monthly meeting/auction at Ken-Rock Community Center, 625 Adams St., Rockford, IL

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

5:30 pm - Buy, sell and trade
View auction lots
7:00 pm - Meeting & auction

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

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

Wednesday, October 6th: Attendance has stabilized at 20, but we are still below pre-pandemic numbers. **We miss you and want to welcome everyone back!**

2022-3 Elections are upon us. President Schmitt appointed **Stanley Campbell, Jeff Hall and Bruce Marquardt** as the nominating committee. All four officer positions and director, **Ted Gifford** are up for election. Please let them know if you are interested in serving YOUR club.

Show & Tell.....

1. **Stanley Campbell** - showed some very interesting Civil War correspondence.
2. **Hank Fox** - Great Britain Bill of Lading mailed in 1956 as Printed 2nd Class Airmail.
3. **Tim Wait** - showed some Bicycle Special Delivery postage due covers.
4. **Christine Gustafson** - shared a Springer 4th Edition Taxpaid Revenue catalog from 1966.
5. **Frank Schmitt** - talked about the interesting ATA box given out to members at GASS in Rosemont.

Mystery Raffle was won by **Tammy**. Back to normal!!

Afterwards we reconvened at McDonald's on Charles.

Tuesday, October 19th: only 10 members but 121 lots and \$25 for the club. **Phil Bratta** returned. Find time to go enjoy some stamp talk and new treasurers at a Tuesday morning meeting next month!

Global Pandemic Issue of the Month



2021 Armenia

Gratitude to Doctors fighting the pandemic.
Four denominations for basic mailing rates.

2021 Poland

Encouraging citizens to get vaccinated!



Rockford 2-3-4 Stamp Expo February 19-20, 2022

The Rockford 2-3-4 Stamp Expo will be held February 19-20 at Forest Hills Lodge. Our usual 2nd weekend in March has been co-opted in Chicago again in 2022. Their show takes 3-4 of our dealers and we cannot maintain our show without their participation.

We made the decision to stay at Forest Hills, since 1992!, as our best option. Moving to February has a higher risk of poor weather but there were no other dates available due to other shows in March and the Lodge being booked every weekend through August!

Mark your calendar now and think about exhibiting a 1-frame club or 2-3-4 frame competitive exhibit!



Upcoming Area Stamp Shows

Fri-Sun Nov 19-21 135th CHICAGOPEX

Itasca, IL. Westin Chicago Northwest, 400 Park Blvd. Chicago Philatelic Society. Hours Fri-Sat 10-6, Sun 10-4. 75+ dealers, 297 exhibit frames. Free admission. **Don't miss the Big Show! See page our for more info.**

Sat-Sun Dec 4-5 MSDA Madison Show

Madison, WI. Double Tree by Hilton—Madison East. Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3. 15 dealers, free admission.

Spread the word if you are interested in going to one of these shows. Ride sharing with other members can be a big savings and fun!

US International Stamp Show Souvenir Sheets - Tim Wait

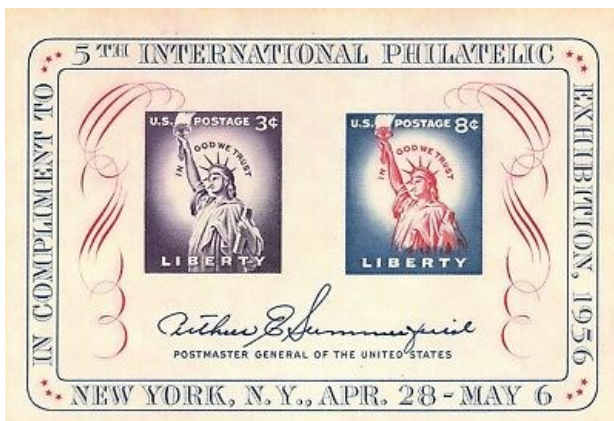
The USPOD issued its first souvenir sheet for the 2nd International Philatelic Exhibition, October 16-23, 1926, in New York City. This was a new concept for the Department and they decided to issue a special sheet of a single stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of White Plains. This was a battle in the New York and New Jersey campaign of the American Revolutionary War fought on October 28, 1776, near White Plains, New York. Following the retreat of George Washington's Continental Army northward from New York City, British General William Howe landed troops in Westchester County, intending to cut off Washington's escape route. Alerted to this move, Washington retreated farther, establishing a position in the village of White Plains but failed to establish firm control over local high ground. Howe's troops drove Washington's troops from a hill near the village; following this loss, Washington ordered the Americans to retreat farther north. Not exactly a shining moment in the War that you would think to commemorate but it kept the army intact to fight another day!



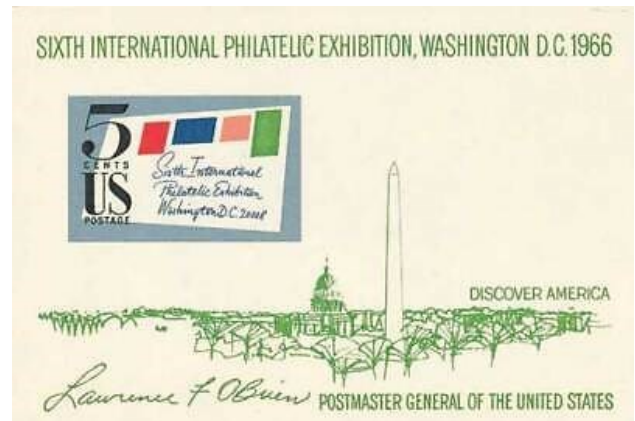
The Third US International was again held in New York, May 9-17, 1936. This time the USPOD took an interesting approach. They took four recent or current commemorative stamps with NO rational relationship to an International show and put them on a souvenir sheet! These were the Connecticut Tercentenary, California Pacific International Expo in San Diego, Michigan Centenary and Texas Centennial! What an interesting group!



The Fourth US International was held 11 years later, instead of the usual 10 years of 1926 and 1936 in order to commemorate the first United States Postage Stamps. This was a very relevant subject and a beautiful example of what could be prepared for this important occasion. The original two stamps were reproduced, with new dies, since the original ones had been destroyed and in new colors.



If it works, do it again. April 28—May 6, 1956 was the Fifth show, FIPEX. A familiar looking sheet, this time showing the Statue of Liberty from the 1954 Liberty Series issued for US and International postage rates. Another striking sheet that was very popular.



The Sixth US International was the first NOT held in NYC but in Washington, DC. SIPEX was held May 21-30, 1966. The original design for the show was a first for the International and a stamp was also issued in sheets of 50. Up next time the BICENTENNIAL!

President's Corner - Frank Schmitt

Greetings fellow Rockford Stamp Club members:

I am happy to report that our attendance for the Wednesday, October 6th meeting was up with many auction lots and some good-spirited bidding. There was also a great Mystery Box won by none other than Tammy Copus. Although I was not in attendance it sounds like the Tuesday, October 19th auction (I was in Asheville, NC) was successful as well. Thank you to all members that attend and make our/your club successful. If you have difficulty attending because of transportation, remember to ride share, we will do our best to get you there and back home safely. The friendship and fellowship is unbeatable and then add all the stamp stuff and it is unbelievable! Come and be some of the fun!

Just a few notes about the auctions.

Minimum bid: Seller, set this amount at the minimum amount you will sell your lot for. There is no guarantee it will advance beyond that amount. **Buyer**, most minimum bids are set reasonably low for the item so don't be afraid to advance the bid if there happens to be multiple bidders. Do set a maximum you are willing to bid for any given item and stop at that amount, so you don't get caught up in the bidding process and overspend your budget.

Bidding: Know the lot numbers you are interested in, so you are bidding on the correct lot. If you are not sure of the lot number currently up for bid, ask the Auctioneer to clarify the lot number. If you would like to take another look at the lot you are bidding on, please step up and do so. Bids may not be retracted.

Highest Bidder: Each lot goes to the highest bidder. The goal of the seller is to get the most money he can get for a lot. On the contrary, the buyer is trying to get the lot for the least amount of money. Remember, if you did not win a lot, it is because you didn't make the highest bid, not the highest bidder's fault. Win and lose gracefully. Don't win just to win, win because it is something you really want for your collection.

Considerations: Many lots consist of multiple items and/or accumulations. The bidder may have only been interested in a portion of the lot. After the auction approach the winning bidder and see if he/she is willing to sell off the portion of the lot you were interested in. This helps to get items of interest in the right hands in an amicable means and cost effectively for both parties.

Auctions are meant to be fun and spirited not to denigrate individuals for bidding practices and cause divisiveness within the club.

Congratulations are in store for our esteemed and multi-talented member, Editor, and Show Chairman Tim Wait. Tim attended the Wiscopex/StampFest 2021 as a judge for the exhibits, a fact he shared with us at our last meeting preceding the show. What he didn't share was that he was also to be inducted into the Wisconsin Philatelic Hall of Fame at a noon ceremony at the show. Unfortunately, I was not able to attend this show and share in this celebration, hopefully other club members were there. Congratulations on your induction Tim, one I am sure it was well earned! It is nice to know people held in such high regard.

Let's break last month's attendance number. Be there, be counted. Let's talk, buy, sell, trade, live and breathe stamps.

Happy collecting and stay safe.

Civil War Revenue Tax 1862-1872 - Tim Wait

This space features interesting Civil War documents from my collection. I can probably continue this space until.....2099!



July 23, 1873 \$25 check from National Bank of New England, East Haddam, Conn.

According to the Revenue Act of 1862 and as amended, a *REVENUE* stamp was to be affixed and canceled with the users initials and date. This fine example has an 1869 2c Post Rider postage stamp used for the 2c tax. If this were to be presented in a court to be protested for non-payment it would not be valid because the tax was not paid appropriately, AND a \$50 fine could be imposed.

Central America Part 2 - Honduras - Tim Wait



Introduction

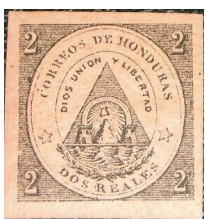
Central America was first visited and partially subjugated by Europeans from Spain in the 1500's. They partially controlled the region but continually fought with the British in theatres here and world wide! Today Central America is made up of seven countries. Below is their date of first stamp issuance.

- Costa Rica - 1863
- Honduras - 1865
- Nicaragua - 1865
- El Salvador - 1867
- Guatemala - 1871
- Panama - 1878
- Belize - 1981 (formerly British Honduras)

We will start from their first stamp issues - Classic Period to current. **Let's move on to Honduras, 1865.**

Honduras is a Republic with a population of over 6 million. It has been in the news of late for the many refugees fleeing the chaos and gangs that have taken over much of the country. That is a shame as it a beautiful country.

The first postage stamps were issued in Dec. 1865. The Honduran Coat of Arms denominated Dos (2) reales. They were printed on green and pink paper. Scott 1-2.



In 1878 President Francisco Morazan was portrayed on seven denominations from 1c to 1 Peso in a variety of vibrant colors.

Honduras continued to issue stamps showing their Coat of Arms, Presidents, prominent Generals and scenes from all over the country. In an effort to save money and reuse the many stamps that went unused, stamps were overprinted with new denominations and for different purposes starting in 1909. The Scott catalog stops listing regular issues after 1944 until 1984, a forty year gap were everything issued was for air mail use. By 1999 there were 392 regular stamp listed.

Honduras took the issuance of Air Mail stamps to be the money maker for the country! Beginning in 1925 MANY regular issues were overprinted for "Aero Correo" or "Service Aereo". In 1937 a beautiful multi-color stamp honoring the U.S. Constitution as the inspiration for the new Honduran Constitution was released.



C84 Sept. 17, 1937

Multi-color stamp rivaling anything from other countries printed by the US National Bank Note Company.

I really had to keep turning the pages to get to Scott C1260 issued in 2007 as the latest one in my 2009 catalog! Honduras really kept to a "local" theme. All these many stamps focused on events, people and places in the country. I didn't see a single Elvis stamp! With all the political instability, newer issues are hard to determine.



C1356-7 - 2011

Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the UPAEP uniting cultures in Central and South America.

Honduras issued a few regular and Air Mail semi-postal stamps for charitable purposes. They had Five Special Delivery stamps from 1953-1976. Official stamps, almost all overprinted were issued from 1890-1937. Air Mail Official stamps were also issued from 1930-1965, again all overprinted regular and air mail stamps.



The Postal Tax stamps of Honduras started in 1941. They were for the Honduran Red Cross. These continued in use until 1966.

This concludes our tour of Honduras's stamp issuing policies and the many Air Mail stamps that were issued to raise money from collectors.



Next month Nicaragua.

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 tell us your comments.
Tim (t.wait@comcast.net) & Frank (prevent1@comcast.net) - webmasters.

CHICAGOPEX Stamp Show - November 19-22

This year brings back Chicagopex, sponsored by the Chicago Philatelic Society, the largest annual show in the Mid-West. As with most shows, 2020-2021 saw extensive cancellations due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Chicago was recently the host of the Great American Stamp Show (GASS)! This new show is a combined effort by The American Philatelic Society (APS), American First Day Cover Society (AFDCS) and the American Topical Association (ATA). This show moves around the country and will be in Sacramento, CA August 25-28, 2022.

GASS brought over 900 frames of exhibits and 75+ dealers to Chicago. It is truly a once a decade experience.

Chicagopex is one of the premier World Series of Philately (WSP) shows in the country. The Grand Award winner qualifies for the annual Champion of Champions competition, along with almost 30 other shows, that will be in Sacramento.

This year Chicagopex is hosting the AAPE Team competition. This is open to teams of five single frame exhibitors who compete for the most points and to be honored with their names on the Trophy. The Polonus Polish Philatelic Society, Germany Philatelic Society and the Lithuania Philatelic Society are also convening at Chicagopex this year.

In the 297 frames of philatelic exhibits you will find an extensive variety of topics along with many Polish and German exhibits from those societies. There is also a literature competition open to almost every aspect of philatelic writings.

During the show there are numerous meetings, presentations and book signings. The United Nations is issuing a stamp at Chicagopex for *World Toilet Day*. Really! Something we take for granted in the U.S., toilets are crucial for the healthy development of people, not to mention children. So is sanitation – facilities and services for safe disposal of human urine and feces includes maintaining hygiene through services such as garbage collection and wastewater disposal.

And on to the dealer bourse. With over 70 dealers, this probably the biggest show of the year except for GASS. There will be dealers from all over the U.S. with many making their only appearance in the mid-west.

All of this information and much more, including a list of exhibits, dealers and program of events can be found at the CPS website: Chicagopex.org.

Make sure you set aside a day, or three!, to fully participate and enjoy the show. There will be much to see and do and I guarantee you will find something new for your collection!

ROCKFORD 2-3-4 2022 February 19-20 Stamp Expo Dealers

We will be approaching all our past show dealers to participate in the long awaited Rockford 2-3-4 Stamp Expo - 2022. We had one new and two returning dealers scheduled for 2020, Tiger Collectibles from Stoutsville, MO and two dealers returning after multi-year absences, James Newland from Peoria and Pfol's Stamps from Dubuque. Hopefully, many of our dealers will be returning to our show next year. **Remember to support our dealers throughout the year and contact them let them know what you need.**

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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, 625 Adams 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.

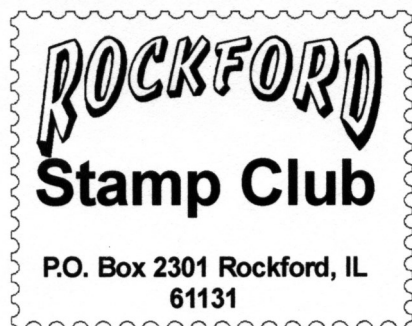
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1995 Dick Wibom *	2003 Earl Button
1996 Dan Hammell *	2004 Timothy Wait
1997 Robert Rosell *	2012 Tim Gallagher *
1998 Matt Mace	

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IN-PERSON Meetings are BACK!

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Our NEW location is 625 Adams St.