# CRESTHAVEN STAMP CLUB NEWS

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

WEST PALM BEACH STAMP AND POST CARD SHOW – MARCH 19, 2022 – SPREAD THE WORD!



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#### **INFORMATION YOU NEED**

#### 2022 IMPORTANT CLUB CONTACTS

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**SECRETARY: RICHARD** 

KAYE at meeting
TREASURER: HARRY
CLIFFORD at meeting
WEBMASTER: MICHAEL

SWOPE via

www.cresthavenstamp.club

### MEETINGS 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAYS

ALL MEETINGS 1 PM – 3 PM

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**FULL SCHEDULE AT Cresthavenstamp.club** 

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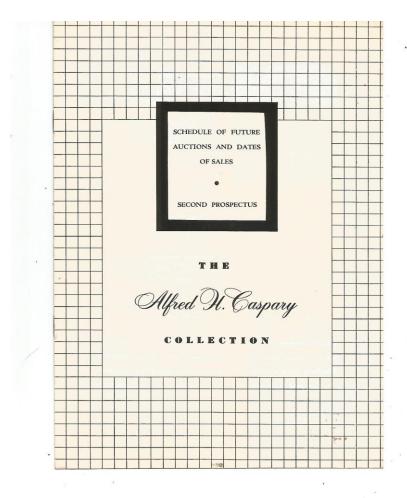
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## CASPARY #768

#### **BOB BURR**

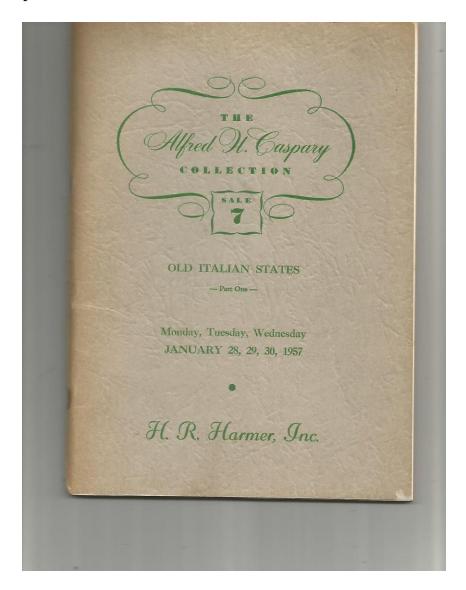
Caspary formed one of the greatest stamp collections in philatelic history. The Caspary collection was broken down into at least fourteen separate Harmer auctions which occurred between 1955 and 1959. Sale Number 7 -Old Italian States- was offered January 28-30, 1957.

The prospectus below offered sales info on future Harmer auctions.



Tom Facelle was a longtime and well-known Italian stamp collector with an extensive Italy collection. Tom died in 2021 and his son had to dispose of the collection. He asked me if I was interested in the collection. One look and I knew the leather-bound collection was beyond my financial reach. I found a buyer for the

collection at a 10-thousand-dollar range and the son gave me the rest of the accumulated philatelic materials.



Buried in the boxes and bundles was found Harmer's book of Sale #7 –Old Italian States-and herein is a story.

Tom Facelle wrote the following mini diary in his own handwriting, and I have simply copied it to the computer.

"The greatest stamp auction then and now was the Alfred H. Caspary collection in 1957. I attended the last day of the Italian States auction on January 30, 1957. Records were being set. Almost all items sold above catalog, some as much

as 3X-4X catalog. I went as a spectator – certainly not able to compete – being recently married and a father.

However, an opportunity came up. Lot # 768 Sicily (Scott # 16) 10g dark blue (Pos. 46) unused, slight crease, fine. I bid and bought it for \$6.50. I still have the original card it was mounted on, and it is one of my prized philatelic possessions. Only 25 lots sold for less than mine."

Facelle kept everything associated with this Caspary sale. The following page shows Harmer's sales page of Caspary #768 with a beautiful example of Sicily #16.



This copy of Sicily #16 depicting Ferdinand II is a dark blue 10 Grana stamp with four fine sides, a clear image, and a very noticeable dot in the lower right of the central image frame. Noted at the bottom of the previous sales page was a value of \$40.00. Today's 2021 Scott catalog list, a never hinged value of \$975.00. I like it.



As the new owner of Caspary's Sicily #16, I now have the bragging rights to a piece of the greatest collection in the world.

### PLAN AHEAD MARCH IS "BUY LOCAL"

During the March 8 and March 22 club meetings, and especially during the March 19th West Palm Beach Stamp and Post Card Show, it is time to BUY LOCAL. Our club boasts several Stamp Dealers. They attend our meetings supplied with great products at great deals. Take advantage of having philatelic items on the table to be physically examined and purchased. If you don't see what you desire, just ask. It could appear at the next club meeting just for you to buy at a super price. There is no sitting at home and worrying if your order will ever arrive in your mailbox. Meet and get to know our dealers - your fellow club members!

#### FROM THE PUBLISHER ...

#### DAN MADDALINO dmaddalino@aol.com



Congratulations to all our award-winning articles. There were 28 qualified articles published during 2021. From these, nine were nominated for recognition in the Stamp Club News 2021 Articles of Distinction program. The Stamp Club News Content

Committee ruled that all nine finalists should receive some level of recognition. Following the reviews, and the voting, there were three Bronze Awards, three Silver Awards, two Gold Awards, and one Large Gold Award presented. 2021 saw the largest number of authors, contributing the largest number of articles, resulting in the largest number of finalists, thus the largest numbers of awards presented. Wow! This publisher and all the staff at the Cresthaven Stamp Club News are proud of this very successful year Thanks to the contributors AND YOU the readers, for a wonderful 2021.

We are again honored kicking off 2022 with contributions by Bob Burr, Michael Swope and Pat Hensley. We are also trying, once again, to involve more stamp club members by offering some "WANTED" space. Juan Riera and I are showing you two examples of how you can get the word out that you are seeking specific philatelic items. Give it a try. Contact me, and we'll get you listed. Dealer members? Got a business card? Same deal. Contact me.

As you know, there have been several changes in Barkley management and in our relationship with them. We have greater responsibility for the condition of the meeting facility, at a much greater expense to us. Our expected costs to continue our scheduled functions has skyrocketed! Our greatest source of income, to be able to provide for the club needs, is from the auctions. You are asked to enter your extra stuff in the auctions, donate your duplicate to the club to be auctioned, AND BUY the great philatelic treasures placed in the auctions. All these actions will greatly move us to meet our financial needs for 2022. Be part of it!

THANKS!

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## THE GROUCH

#### **MICHAEL SWOPE**

#### Philatelic Memorabilia

"Grouch": noun – irritable, bad-tempered, grumpy, complaining. So, what does this have to do with philately?

Featured here is Turkey - Scott #644, a 1926 issued stamp depicting Mustafa Kemal Pasha (1881-1938). He was also known as Atatürk (Turkish for "Father of the Turks"). Atatürk was a soldier, statesman, and reformer who was the founder and first president (1923–38) of the Republic of Turkey. Considered one of the great figures of the 20th century, Atatürk rescued the surviving Turkish remnant of the defeated Ottoman Empire at the end of World War I, for which he is still revered by the Turks.



A close examination of the lower left stamp corner (circled in red) reveals the word "grouch". In 1926, the Republic of Turkey's stamps were valued in Piaster; Ghurush; Kurush; or, Lira. The English translation of the Turkish word "grouch" – is still "grouch"! So, how does a revered Turkish statesman end up with a denigrating word on a stamp designed to honor him?

I don't know the answer. However, of the more than 500,000 nouns in the English language, I find none more appropriate than "grouch" to depict the grumpy image on this stamp.

#### Ref:

American Heritage Dictionary
www.Wikipedia.com
www.Google/translate.com
Scott Standard Postage Stamp Album

#### STAMP CLUB NEWS



#### BOB BURR - 2021 PRESIDENT'S RECAP & 2022 PROJECTION

I am sad to report that our long-term club secretary, Mickey Panzer, passed away this last year. Member Stan Sofferman moved to California and Cliff Linedecker moved to New Mexico for new adventures. Gus Winters has retired from stamp collecting but continues to support the club through his membership. Jim Davis keeps up with the world of stamp collecting and sends his well wishes to the club. He too, is unable to be with us in person. We welcomed Betty Brodie back after a year of the threat of COVID. New members in 2021 include Diane Brandt, Spenser Haddock, Noel Vassallo, Aaron Handler, and Arnold Kaminsky.

Our finances are in great shape due to contributions to the club and our successful auctions. We now have a checking account with Wells Fargo and are completing some of the behind-the-scenes paperwork. You may now pay your dues with a check. An early December election kept me as President and Harry Clifford as Treasurer. Juan Riera remains as VP and Richard Kaye is Secretary. These volunteers will guide the club through 2022. The club is averaging 16 members at each meeting. Not bad with COVID-19 running rampant.

The club hosted two successful stamp shows in 2021. We are slated for another Stamp and Postcard Show on 19 March 2022, and we will need your help. Show advertising starts this month and word of mouth is also very effective – spread the word. The Observer/Herald newspapers continue to publish philatelic articles drawn from our publications in our club newsletter and advertise our stamp shows. The club's website (Thank you Michael Swope) continues to get a good number of visitors and is a great source of some of the contributions to the club's auction table.

The goal for 2022 is for each of us to bring in a new member for our club. Member growth is always the best answer to club stability. I want to thank the members for their efforts, input, and support that makes the club prosper.

Happy New Year!

Bob Burr

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# AWARDS PRESENTED CRESTHAVEN STAMP CLUB NEWS 2021 ARTICLES OF DISTINCTION

LARGE GOLD: A USS MACON COVER STORY by ROBERT BURR

**GOLD**: COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY by JUAN RIERA

GOLD: (NOT) AIRMAIL by MICHAEL SWOPE

SILVER: COPLEY PLAZA by JUAN RIERA

**SILVER**: OATH OF OFFICE by MICHAEL

**SWOPE** 

**SILVER**: GARDENING AND HORTICULTURE

by PAT HENSLEY

BRONZE: MY ENVELOPE by BETTY BRODIE

BRONZE: CONFEDRATE FACSIMILES by

**ROBERT BURR** 

BRONZE: LACE MAKING by PAT HENSELY

**AWARDS PRESENTED JANUARY 25, 2022** 

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## Universal and International Exhibition 1958 stamp

#### **PAT HENSLEY**



This 3¢ stamp (US #1104) was issued on April 17, 1958, in Detroit, Michigan. It was printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. It was designed by Bradbury Thompson.

The Brussels Universal and International Exhibition was held in Brussels, Belgium and it was the first World's Fair to be held after World War II. It was also the first fair to be held during the Cold War Era. The stamp features the US Pavilion.

This was the eleventh time that Belgium had hosted the World's Fair, and it was the fifth time it was held in Brussels. It covered 490 acres and took 15,000 workers to build the fair. They were able to reuse some of the buildings from the 1935 exposition since it was held in the same place.

This Expo was intended to help the world look to a brighter future and the 51 countries participating were encouraged to showcase their best technological advancements. Each country built its own pavilion. The theme structure of the Expo, the Atomium, is still open to visitors and it is constructed of nine connected metal spheres. It is a massive building that looked like the cell of an iron crystal that had been enlarged 165 billion times.

The America pavilion consisted of displays about the American Way of Life including color TVs, ice cream, Coca Cola, a fashion show, an electronic computer, and a piece by the Seventh Army Symphony Orchestra. The pavilion was made up of four buildings.

The Soviet pavilion, which was right next to the American pavilion, featured a huge statue of Lenin and replicas of the Sputnik satellites.

The Congolese exhibit was a human zoo where 700 Congolese people were displayed behind an armed guard. This was a very controversial exhibit and many of the Congolese didn't like the way they were treated and wanted to go home.

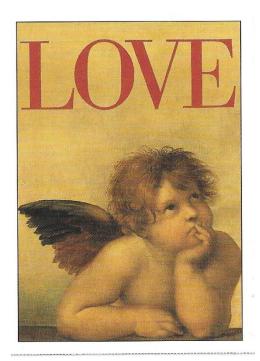
During this time, the world's first universal film poll was held, and film critics nominated films and voted on them. Citizen Kane (one of my favorite movies) was one of those chosen.

The Expo lasted for six months and had over 41 million visitors.

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Although more weddings are held in JUNE. FEBRUARY is considered the MONTH OF LOVE. This design, stamp by McCaffrey of Leesburg VA. Features a winged cherub. The link between winged cherubs and romance began with Roman mythology. Cupid was the mischievous god of love. Shots from his arrows could make people fall in love. Today's cupid is often pictured as a winged infant - just like this angel of love, created by Italian painter Raphael (1483 – 1520).

SCOTT #2948

From the 1994 United States Postal Service Publication 192

## WANTED



DAN MADDALINO seeking to complete my International Joint Issue collection. Looking for these Mint foreign stamps:
ISRAEL 1996 Hanukkah #1289
SWEDEN 2001 Nobel Prize
#2415
SWEDEN 2015 Ingrid Bergman
#2756 – 2758
GREAT BRITAIN 2006 Animal Tails mini-sheet with #'s 2334 – 2341
CANADA 2017 Hockey History S/S
#3039
SEE ME AT A CLUB MEETING DAN

**BUY LOCAL - THANKS** 

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#### **CRESTHAVEN STAMP CLUB**

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#### 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE

**ALL MEETINGS START AT 1:00 PM** 

WE MEET: 2605 Barkley Drive West, West Palm Beach, FL

JANUARY 11 MEMBERS MEETING
JANUARY 25 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

FEBRUARY 8 MEMBERS MEETING FEBRUARY 22 TRADING SESSION

MARCH 8 MEMBERS MEETING
MARCH 19 STAMP SHOW
MARCH 22 TRADING SESSION

APRIL 12 MEMBERS MEETING APRIL 26 TRADING SESSION

MAY 10 MEMBERS MEETING MAY 24 TRADING SESSION

JUNE 14 MEMBERS MEETING JUNE 28 TRADING SESSION JULY 12 MEMBERS MEETING JULY 26 TRADING SESSION

AUGUST 9 MEMBERS MEETING AUGUST 23 TRADING SESSION

SEPTEMBER 13 MEMBERS MEETING SEPTEMBER 27 TRADING SESSION

OCTOBER 11 MEMBERS MEETING OCTOBER STAMP SHOW OCTOBER 25 TRADING SESSION

NOVEMBER 8 MEMBERS MEETING NOVEMBER 22 TRADING SESSION

DECEMBER 13 MEMBERS MEETING DECEMBER 27 TRADING SESSION

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