



BIRMINGHAM & FERNDALE STAMP CLUB

August 2022

The United States Coast Guard traces its founding to an act of Congress on August 4, 1790. At that time, the Coast Guard consisted of ten vessels that carried out enforcement of various trade and humanitarian duties. National Coast Guard Day on August 4th celebrates and honors the courageous work of service members of the Coast Guard: “Semper Paratus” – Always Ready.



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Notes from our July club meetings:

Club President Ken Rusch and Vice-President Fred Como reported on lack of dealers for BIRPEX 2022 and ongoing roadwork near the show venue. These factors will make the August 20th & 21st show unprofitable and they recommend cancellation.

After discussion to move the show to another date, a vote to cancel it was approved.

Club member Dana Markey made an interesting presentation on the Lansing, Ohio, post office and his family ties to the former postmaster.

Upcoming Events:

Club meetings - August 2nd & 16th at NEXT Senior Center, Birmingham

Modern Stamps sale #503 – August 6th at its Oak Park Facility

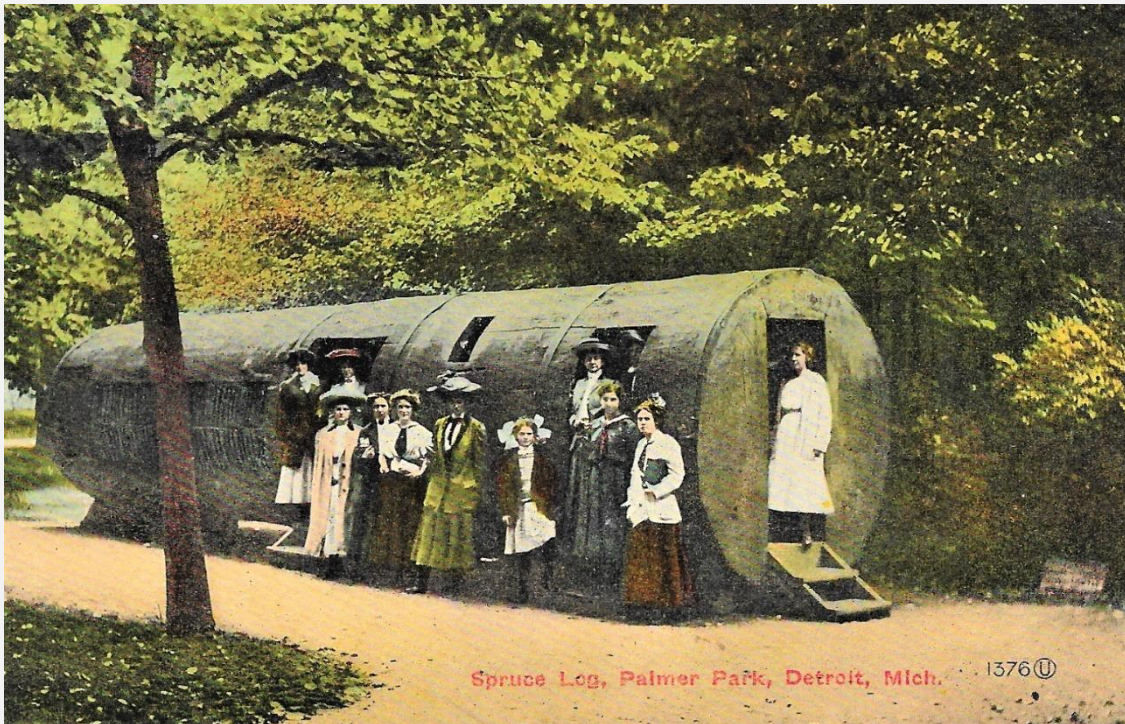
Allen Park Stamp Show – August 6th at Sokol Cultural Center, Dearborn Heights

Peninsular State Philatelic Society tour of the Marshall Postal Museum – August 11th.

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Palmer Park

Michael Swope



Featured here is the "Spruce Log" attraction in Detroit's Palmer Park. This Superior Chrome Quality Company post card was mailed from Detroit to Manistee, Michigan, on September 6, 1913.

Palmer Park was donated to the City of Detroit in 1893 by former United States Senator Thomas W. Palmer (1830-1913). The park was (described at that time) "situated north of the city at the extreme terminal of the Woodward Avenue car line; is one of the city's favorite breathing spots. Its center is a log cabin, which is an exact reproduction of the home in which Senator Palmer resided when Detroit was little more than a trading post."

Thomas W. Palmer has come to be considered one of the most significant figures in Detroit history. He was an advocate for women's suffrage, immigration restrictions, animal rights, and homesteader rights. His motto was "equal rights for all, special privileges to none." After leaving the U.S. Senate in 1889, he was appointed Minister to Spain by President Benjamin Harrison. Thereafter, he became president of the National Commission on the World's Columbian Exposition from 1890 to 1893.

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