

# KNOXVILLE STAMP CLUB

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#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

The stamps of the month this month are examples of US Revenue issues. The article on page 3, by Richard Tipton, will help you to identify

which stamp you have. The stamps were donated by Richard Tipton to accompany the article mentioned previously. Hope you enjoy the stamps and the article. See page 3.

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The meeting will be May 1, 1984, 7:30pm, MLB Building 2247 Western Ave. The meeting for the Beginners Stamp Club will be at 7:00 pm. If there is a discrepancy between the dates in Linn's and our newsletter, PLEASE disregard LINN'S date. The APS slide show will be on the postal history of Sweden. Refreshments will be furnished by Joe Belk, Beulah Patty, and Carroll Pittman.

The Beginner's Stamp Club meeting will be a discussion of types of papers and perforations. If you have a perf guage, bring it with you. If you do not have one, there will be guages available for you to borrow.

#### TO ALL MEMBERS WHO SMOKE :

Recently, as you have noticed, NO SMOKING signs have been put up in the rooms where our meetings are held.

I have talked to the new manager, Mr. Gillespie, about this and he has given our group permission to smoke in the rooms on our club nights IF WE WILL FURNISH OUR OWN ASHTRAYS AND USE CAUTION ABOUT EMPTYING THEM. (MAKE SURE THEY ARE OUT- NO FLOORS USED FOR ASHTRAYS!)

Ashtrays will be available at the front table, COMPLIMENTS OF McDONALD'S, for your use. PLEASE EMPTY AND RETURN THEM TO THE TABLE SO WE CAN HAVE THEM EACH MONTH.

NO special privileges were asked for smokers of this group. When I called to ask if these signs applied to groups meeting once a month, I was told by Mr. Gillespie, that it applied to everyone using the rooms. He said he did not want to make any exceptions because of some problems he was having with other groups. However, the next day he called me to say that since our group is always orderly and he has had no bad reports on us, that he would not want to lose us, so he would tell the guard we have his permission to smoke in the rooms, regardless of the signs.

So, it is up to the members who smoke. Mr. Gillespie is willing to give us a try. IF WE FAIL, NO SMOKING RULES WILL BE ENFORCED BY THE GUARD. SMOKING WILL THEN BE ALLOWED IN THE AREA OF THE COKE MACHINES ONLY.

---- Hazel Large

#### LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The club met on April 3, 1984 with 58 members and visitors present. The first meeting of the Beginners Stamp 6lub was held and there was a fairly good turnout for Richard Tipton's first meeting. The theme for the meeting and the newsletter was Swiss. The APS slide show was the postal history of Switzerland. Refreshments were furnished by Jo Mynatt, Jamie Lafge, Hazel Large, Wilma Brookshier and Mr. and Mrs. Zurcher.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 1 - CLUB MEETING

May 4 - Summer Olympics, Block of 4

May 11 -World's Fair, Single 20¢

May 17 - Health, Single 20¢

May 23 - Douglas Fairbanks, Single 20¢

May 24 - Jim Thorpe, Single 20¢

May 31 - Russell, Single 10¢ definitive

May 17 - Atomic City Stamp Club Meeting

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#### U S REVENUES

The fascination of collecting stamps extended to that of US Revenue issues almost from the time they were first issued. The difference between postage stamps and revenue stamps is simply that postage stamps are a receipt for the payment of money to the Federal Government to move a letter from one point to another, whereas revenue stamps are a receipt for the payment of money to the Federal Government for the privilege of conducting a certain business or making available a certain product to the public.

This month's featured stamp is one of several different US Revenue issues. If you have a portrait of George Washington, you may have Scott #R135, the 2¢ issue of the third general series, issued in 1871 and printed by Joseph R. Carpenter of Philadelphia. This issue is perf 12, orange frame and black vingette on violet "chameleon" paper with silk fibers. On the other hand, you may have R151, the fourth general issue printed in 1874. It is identical in all respects except that it was issued on green paper. Which stamp do you have?

If your stamp-of-the-month is deep blue with a portrait of "Liberty" printed on blue paper, you may have R152, the fifth general issue, first issued in 1875, or one of its varieties. There are several varieties of this stamp. R152a was issued on blue silk paper and perforated 12. R152b was issued on blue silk paper with a USIR watermark and perforated 12. R152c, the most elusive, was like 152a, but was rouletted 6. Which stamp do you have?

Perhaps your stamp is a stock transfer stamp of 1917 which represented the tax paid on the transfer of a share of common stock. The hø variety could be RD 3, perf 11 and printed by offset. RD 6 is one of the 20¢ varieties. If your stamp is perf 10, however, then you have RD25 or RD 28 issued in 1928. Here again there are varieties. Do you have type I or type II? The difference is that type I has a dot in the center of the periods before and after "cents". Type II has no such dots. The type I's were printed by contract firms outside of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, whereas type II's were printed by the BEP. Which stamp so you have?

Finally, you may have a 2¢ Rose Carmine Documentary with a picture of a battleship on it. This stamp is R16¼ and was issued in 1898 for the tax to support the Spanish American War. It was in service from July 1st, 1898 to June 30th, 1902 - a mere four years, yet this stamp has a total of ¼7 re-entered plate varieties identified, two different sheet layouts, was rouletted and hyphenhole perforated, and was precancelled by several hundred different users.

Do you think revenue collecting has challenge, variety, and interest? If your answer is yes, there are catalogue listings from R to RZ plus tax paids (Revenues not listed by Scott) from which to choose. Almost all of these are attainable at reasonable prices and offer endless opportunity to specialize and complete a collection. The best part is that revenues are collected used, cancelled (sometimes just for the cancel - try getting a cancelled Rloh for each day it was authorized for use), and you don't have to worry about gum. If you haven't given it much thought, try it and become a revenue collector. ...by Richard Tipton

#### AUCTION RULES

Due to many of you having questions about the silent auction, we are reprinting the rules. Please read the rules carefully, so you will understand them. Thanx!!

1. Pidding is by number only. Numbers will be assigned at random.

2. Bidding constitutes an agreement to buy.

3. All lots remain the property of the owners until paid for in full. All payments are to be made the night of the auction.

4. All lots are sold as is. No returns allowed. (Caveat Emptor!)
5. Each successful bidder and each successful seller will pay
a fee of 5% of the hammer price for each lot bought or sold.
The minimum fee will be 25%.

6. The seller will be responsible for setting a minimum bid. ( )

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7. All lots are to be submitted at least 15 minutes before the start of the business session. Bidding will start 15 minutes before the start of the business session and end 30 minutes after the end of the scheduled program.

8. All lots are to be submitted affixed to a piece of white 82 by 11" paper. Sellers will be assigned an identification

number for use on each lot.

9. The Board of Directors reserves the right to ammend or append these rules as may be required.

#### ATOMIC CITY STAMP CLUB

The Atomic City Stamp Club will meet May 17, 1984, at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Room of the Oak Ridge Civic Center. The program will be an American Topical Association program on National Parks and Monuments.

#### WANTED

PLEASE! PLEASE! Bring your revenue stamps to the club meeting. I'll buy for C A \$ H ! See Richard Tipton.

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#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

The stamp of the month this month is from a set of Austrian costumes. The complete set consists of 37 different designs and colors. The stamps were printed from 1948 until 1952, and 21 of the denomina-

tions were reprinted in 1958 and 59 on white paper instead of the original grayish paper.

Native costumes can be an interesting topic for a collection of stamps.
These stamps were donated by J.R.'s Stamps.

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The regular June meeting will be June 5, 1984 at 7:30pm, MLB Building, 2247 Western Avenue. The Beginner's club meeting will be at 7:00pm. Business of the meeting will be the called election for vice-president and 1 yr. board member. There will be a silent auction and refreshments. The slide show will be on the "Steamship Companies". Refreshments will be furnished by Dean Treadway, Wilma Brookshier. Jo Mynatt, Hazel Large and Jamie Large.

SEE YA THERE!!

#### WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome the following new members since the beginning of 1984: Bill, Lo, and Tom Boegly, Lillard Q. Harvey, Bruce Kenny, Jerry Oss, Jude Robinson, and Robert Stewart.

WELCOME ABOARD

#### McDOUGALS MOVING TO ATLANTA (or D. TODD D. PARTS)

In a surprise announcement at the May meeting of the Knoxville Stamp Club, the club was notified of the imminent departure of our president for the past two years, D. Todd McDougal. He and his wife will be leaving Knoxville for Atlanta, where she has accepted a principalship at a local school.

During Todd's term of office, the club has benefitted greatly. Membership has increased dramatically, several new projects have been initiated, and this newsletter was established. Todd was the first editor of the newsletter.

Todd was previously in business with Stan and Wilma Brookshier at Midsouth Philatelics. Later, he opened his own stamp shop, Market Square Collectibles, on the Market Square Mall.

Todd has been very active in philatelic circles, and his collection of Washington bicentennial stamps and covers has been exhib-

ited at our club show.

Todd has promised to remain active in the Knoxville Stamp Club. and will be coming to Knoxville for visits and programs. We look forward to seeing him soon.

The Knoxville Stamp Club will miss Todd, but we wish him all

the best in his new home.

#### ATOMIC CITY STAMP CLUB NEWS

The Atomic City Stamp Club will meet June 21, 1984, at 7:30 p.m.. at the Oak Ridge Civic Center. The program will be a clothesline show, and persons attending are asked to bring stamps or other philatelic material to be identified.

#### LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The regular May meeting was on May 1, 1984 at 7:30 pm at the MLBB. The club met with 41 members and visitors present. Todd Mc-Dougal tendered his resignation due to having to relocate in Atlanta, Georgia. Because of this, Dean Treadway will become the next president, therefore leaving the vice-president's office open. Richard Tipton was nominated for the vice-president's office. Because of his acceptance of the nomination, his office on the board is open . Nominated for the position is Jocelyn King. The official election will be held at the next regular meeting in June. The APS slide show was on the Swedish Postal History. Refreshments were furnished by Carroll Pittman and Bealth Patty.

- June 5 Knoxville Stamp Club meeting
- June 6 John McCormack 20d commem., Boston, MA
- June 19- KSC Board meeting
- June 21- Atomic City Stamp Club meeting
- June 26- St. Lawrence Seaway 20¢ commem., Massena.

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#### SERIES OF 1898 OVERPRINTS

In our haste to jump into the Spanish-American War in 1898 the Federal Government decided to bring back the taxes of 1862 to help finance this excursion. The tax act was effective July 1, 1898 and all items taxed had to bear the appropriate stamps to indicate payment as of that date. The Bureau was unable to prepare and issue new stamps that quickly so a stop gap measure was instituted, that of overprinting regular stamps of the current issue to indicate payment of tax. The 1d and the 2d of the 1895 issue were selected for this and simply overprinted with the letters T.R. These stamps are quite common today but the five additional values overprinted and recognized as valid are indeed rarities. These are Scott numbers R156, 157, 158, 158A and 158B. These issues were privately overprinted with permission of the IRS and used to indicate payment of tax. Only 250 stamps of 158A and 158B were printed. R156, 157 and 158 were in exceptionally small quantities but some sources claim these not to be officially authorized.

The remaining two issues in this series are overprints of the \$5 periodical stamp (PR121) recently discontinued and still available in quantities.

These stamps represent one if the few times when our government has chosen to overprint a stamp to fill a new or different purpose from its original one. These stamps were used mainly in the first 2-3 months of the tax period, however they were still valid until the entire tax was cancelled on June 30. 1902.

...by Richard Tipton

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June 26, 1984

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#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

The stamp of the month this month is one of a series of 20 different butterflies and moths issued by the country of Mozambique in 1953. The stamps

are a combination of photogravure and lithography and show the insects in their natural colors against a pastel background. The stamps were donated by J.R.'s.

The club is in need of new stamps of the month. If you have at least 80 copies of a stamp. bring them to Jo Mynatt.

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The next regular meeting of the club will be July 3. 1984. 7:30 pm, MLB Building, 2247 Western Ave. The Beginner's meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. July is one of two months designated as " Bingo Night ". The rules for Bingo are as follows:

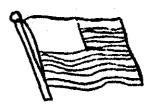
- 1. Everyone must bring one prize with at least a value of \$1.
  2. Prices for cards( if you bring a prize) are

3 cards for \$1 1 card for \$.50 7

3. If you do not bring a prize, prices are doubled: 3 cards for \$2 or

l card for \$1

The meeting is the day before a holiday (July 4th), if you are in town please plan to attend. We'll have a lot of fun; Refreshments will be furnished by our own Knoxville Stamp Club Brokerage Society - which consists of Jerry Oss and Richard Tipton. HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE MEETING! ...by Jamie Large



HAVE A SAFE Lth

#### LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The June meeting was on June 5, 1984 with 40 members and visitors present. The called election for filling the offices of vice-president and a position on the Board of Directors was held. Richard Tipton was elected as the Vice President and Jocelyn King was elected to the Board. The club voted to purchase six Ameripex frames and to combine them with six frames purchased by Oak Ridge to make a total of twelve frames. The frame fee will be two dollars, EXCLUDING first-time exhibitors. The APS slide show was on "Steamship Companies."

Jo Mynatt, editor of the newsletter, was presented an award by Todd McDougal on behalf of the CAC Newsletter Competition in which OUR newsletter was entered. Although this was our first entry in the contest, the newsletter was given an "Honorable Mention" for the improvements made between December of 1982 and May of 1983.

A reception was held for our ex-president, Todd McDougal, who is moving to Atlanta.

....by Jamie Large

#### SHOW PLANS

Plans are now being finalized for our club's show, Knoxpex '84, to be held at the Sheraton West, October 6 and 7, 1984. The hours of the show will be 10 til 7 on Saturday, and 11 til 5 on Sunday. A live auction will be held on Saturday afternoon beginning at 5 p.m.

A panel of judges will award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes for outstanding exhibits. There will also be an award for the most popular exhibit, which will be chosen by the visitors to the show.

The theme of the show is the 50th anniversary of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, and the club plans to sell a cacheted envelope for the event.

The chairmen of the various committees so far are:

Bourse - Bruce Roberts Exhibits - Dean Treadway Publicity - Wilma Brookshier Security - Harry Sanders

We will be needing volunteers to work on the programs, the hospitality table, and other aspects of the show. If you are asked to help, please say "yes". Or better still, VOLUNTEER:

#### LET'S PUT TOGETHER AN EXHIBIT (An Interview With Bruce Roberts Compiled By The Editor)

The first thing to do when exhibiting is to choose your topic. It may be a category (revenues, First Day Covers, etc.), a period of time. or a certain topic (art, George Washington, trains, etc.). Next, you must decide EXACTLY what you want to show. The title of your exhibit should tell exactly what the exhibit contains. As a general rule, never say "ALL" of the stamps...., because if you say ALL, you must be able to show every item in that classification.

It is a good idea to make an outline of what you want to cover in your exhibit, so that you can arrange your stamps

in a logical order.

Your written text describing the items shown, should be kept to a minimum: an exhibit with too much text takes too long to read, and the viewer loses interest. Bruce Roberts says: "An exhibit should be like a ladies skirt: Long enough to cover everything, but short enough to be interesting."

Lettering may be typewritten or hand-lettered, as long as it is legible. The stamps or covers may be mounted on hinges or in stamp mounts (clear mounts are preferable). NEATNESS COUNTS. Don't try to put too much on one page. An exhibit should be pleasing to the eye, and arranged symmetrically on each page.
Non-philatelic items such as newspaper clippings and

photos may be used sparingly, if they are absolutely needed.

In summary, the following are general rules that should be followed. Some were discussed in detail in this article, and some are just helpful hints to make your exhibit an outstanding one.

- 1. Choose your topic carefully. Set definite limits and stick to them.
- 2. Make an outline for continuity.

Arrange stamps and text on pages neatly.

4. Be sure your title states the contents of the exhibit accurately.

5. Clear mounts give a good appearance.

- 6. Number your pages, and put owner identification on back of each page.
- 7. Mint and used stamps don't usually mix well. If you must use both, try to use them on different pages.

8. Don't crowd your stamps or covers.

9. Plain white paper is best on which to mount your display. ...by Jo Mynatt

#### KNOXPEX '84 EXHIBITS

In this newsletter, you will find an application for exhibiting at Knoxpex '84. Please put together an exhibit for the show. It would be great if each member would have at least a one frame exhibit.

For those of you who have never exhibited before, the article "Let's Put Together an Exhibit" is for you. Read it and send in your application. All first-time exhibitors are free. Others will pay a \$2 per frame fee.

To have a successful show, we need lots of interesting and varied exhibits, so sign up today and start working to make YOUR collection a prize-winner.

#### ARE YOU AN A P S MEMBER???

The club needs to know if you are a member of the American Philatelic Society. We can obtain credits that go toward helping to pay for the club's dues, slide shows, etc. if we have at least one-third of our membership in the APS. We are very close, but need a few more, and it is possible that some of you are already members, but the club does not know about it. Please tell the secretary, Jamie Large, if you are a member of the APS.

#### ATOMIC CITY STAMP CLUB

The Atomic City Stamp Club will meet July 19, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. at the Oak Ridge Civic Center. The program will be for each person to bring a philatelic item to identify. Those present will participate in identification of the items brought.

This "United States Postal Ser-Vice Stamp Program" is designed by our president, Dean Treadway. The dates shown are the dates that the stamp will be available at your post office. You may cut the chart out and carry it in your billfold for easy reference.

#### UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE STAMP PROGRAM

DATE AVAILABLE		¢	DESCRIPTIONS
МДҮ	5	20	OLYMPICS-Block of 4
	12	20	WORLD'S FAIR
	18	20	HEALTH
	24	20	DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS
	25	20	JIM THORPE
JUNE	1	10	Sen.RICHARD RUSSELL-Reg.Issue
	7	20	JOHN McCORMACK
	27	20	ST.LAWRENCE SEAWAY
JULY	2	7.50	FEDERAL DUCK STAMP
-	3	20	PRESERVING WETLANDS
	14	20	ROANOKE VOYAGE
AUGUST		20	AUGUSTE BARTHOLDI
	2	20	HERMAN MELVILLE
1	7	20	HORACE MOSES
	14	20	SMOKEY BEAR
	19	20	ROBERTO CLEMENTE
SEPT	3	30	Dr.LAUBACH-Reg.Issue
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	27	20	CRIME PREVENTION
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Courtesy-the Knoxville Stamp Club

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
July 2- 20¢ Preserving Wetlands
comm., Des Moines, IA

July 3- Club meeting

July13- 20¢ Roanoke Voyages comm., Manteo. NC

July17- Board Meeting

July19- Atomic City Stamp Club

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#### KNOXPEX '84 EXHIBITOR'S REGISTRATION FORM

The 1984 Stampshow and Exhibition will be Saturday and Sunday, October 6th and 7th, at the Sheraton West, Cedar Bluff & I-40. The show will run from 10:00 to 7:00 on Saturday and from 12:00 to 6:00 on Sunday. Frames will be available for your exhibit and there will be a \$2.00 frame fee for each frame. One frame holds eight 8 1/2" X 11" pages. The doors will open Saturday morning at 8:00am for mounting exhibits. All exhibits should be ready for viewing before the doors open to the public.

New exhibitors and/or exhibits are welcome as well as exhibitors from the Oak Ridge club and any others wishing to exhibit.

Space is limited so please register your exibit early.

Ample SECURITY will be provided.

Complete the form below and either return to me at the regular meeting of the Knoxville Stamp Club or mail to: 5702 Opal ave.; Knoxville, TN 37919

Through your participation and dedication we look forward to another great show.

thanks Dean A. Treadway 🔊

Exhibit Chairman

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN

NAME OF EXHIBITOR PHONE NO...

TITLE OF EXHIBIT HAS, HAS NOT BEEN SHOWN BEFORE. FRAME FEE OF \$ ENCLOSED.

NUMBER OF FRAMES NEEDED TOTAL NUMBER OF PAGES IN YOUR EXHIBIT.

HAVE YOU PREPARED AND SHOWN OTHER EXHIBITS BEFORE? yes \_\_\_\_\_\_, no\_\_\_\_

DO YOU NEED ASSISTANCE IN:

PREPARING YOUR EXHIBIT yes \_\_\_\_\_\_, no\_\_\_\_

REMOVING YOUR EXHIBIT yes \_\_\_\_\_\_, no\_\_\_\_\_

IF YES \_EXPLAIN

Pick up frames after 4PM and before 7PM Sunday. Judging will be Sunday morning.



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#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

This month's stamp is Israel #196, from a set of thirteen featuring the signs of the Zodiac, issued in 1961. The stamps

were donated this month by John Hotchner - see story elsewhere in this issue. If you have stamps to donate for stamp of the month, see Jo Mynatt.

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The meeting will be August 7, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. at the MLB Building, 2247 Western Ave. There will be a Novice Stamp Club meeting at 7:00 p.m. (See article elsewhere in this newsletter).

Following the business meeting, there will be an APS slide show entitled "French Balloon Posts" narrated by Herman Herst, Jr.

There will be a silent auction before and after the meeting. The Board of Directors has revised the rules of the auction, so please read the new rules and revisions in this newsletter.

Since no one has signed up for refreshments, we are asking for "pot luck". If you can bring something - cookies or chips or donuts, etc.- please do so. Please take the time to sign up for refreshments for one of our future meetings. It adds greatly to the fellowship of our club, and we must have volunteers if the refreshments are to continue.

There will also be a doorprize given away at the meeting. You must be present to win. The prize has been donated by Jocelyn King.

THIS WILL BE A GREAT MEETING! DON'T MISS IT!

#### COMPUTER ANYONE?

Much has been written and said about computers as aids to both stamp collectors and dealers. To many people, the thought of using a computer in conjunction with their hobby or business is almost frightening. Indeed, I was somewhat skeptical of the benefits until I saw it displayed by two collectors who used the computer to great advantage. After due consideration of the cost in relation to my business, I have not regretted in any way the purchase I made.

Stamp collecting can be generally divided into three basic groups of needs for the hobby to progress. First, and foremost, of course, are the stamps. Next would come the accessories (albums, mounts, watermark fluid, trays, etc.). The last group would be aids. In this group I would list even club membership, because a great deal of information comes from the knowledge that is passed on from member to member. In addition, the aids group can be comprised of all materials that generally assist the collector to track his or her collection toward completion. This can be in the form of books (a very valuable source of information), membership in such organizations such as the APS, periodicals such as Lynns Stamp News and other items such as check lists or want lists. The computer would fall in this group.

But why use a computer when a simple pad and pen can accomplish the same?

There are many reasons. Most collectors try to keep track of what they have and what they need. If this record is lost (and I can testify to the fact that this is possible), and the collection is extensive, a great deal of time is required to again compile the information. Many collectors also try to keep track of the price paid for the items they purchase (a wise procedure). Again, these records can be lost or misplaced. A couple of years down the line a collector may want to know the value of the collection as compared to the original value of the items. The computer can be of tremendous value for a long number of years. Continuous updates of want lists can be obtained, especially for those who purchase frequently or in goodly numbers. And above all, a complete list of all philatelic material can always be obtained in the event of lost records. This one item alone makes it well worth the time spent.

But how does one go about using the computer to get the results wanted? With so many different computers on the market, how are you to select the one that will serve your needs? And how are you to judge the ability of the computer to do just that? And what about programs that will permit you to do the inventory work? These are valid questions that can best be answered by the dealers after you have decided for yourself just what you need to have done by the computer. Other questions that may be raised, such as programming, spreadsheets, etc., can be answered by the dealer, also. But I can assure you that, as a stamp dealer, I have found the computer to be far more valuable to me than I had ever thought possible. As an example, before I bought my computer, as the new Brookman catalogues would come out, Mary (my wife) and I would work for about two months and still never finish updating the price tags. After I got the computer I was able by myself to update

the pricetags in my salesbooks in less than 2 weeks—a savings of about 12 to 14 weeks work. Definitely a plus.

How much programming is required? None, if a spreadsheet is used. A spreadsheet is a grid of columns and rows. The one I use will accept 63 columns for a total of 255 characters wide and has 254 rows deep. Which means that at least 250 items could be entered in a single "file". And this file can be printed at any time. Or even portions of the file. As to programming, this is a bit more involved and can consume a great deal of time. But I will be glad to share with others any of the programs I have written. Indeed, I would be glad to hear or talk with others interested in using the computer for the hobby.

So, if this sounds like your cup of tea, let's share experiences and information. Or, if I can be of help to you in any way, feel free to call me at any time.

Harry Sanders

#### SPECIAL CANCELLATION FOR KNOXPEX 184



The USPS has granted approval and has prepared a special cancellation device, as pictured above, for the club to use during Knoxpex '84, which will be October 6 and 7 at the Sheraton West in Knoxville. The cancellation was designed by the Knoxville Stamp Club's president, Dean Treadway.

As you can see, the theme of the show this year is the 50th anniversary of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The cancel will be used in conjunction with the Smokey the Bear commemorative.

There will be a special cacheted envelope produced by the club, but we are still awaiting permission on the design. As soon as it is approved, we will show it in the newsletter.

#### LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The club met with 33 members and visitors present. The business of the meeting was preparation for the club show in October. The slide show was on proprietary stamps. After the business meeting we played bingo, there were an assortment of awards for the winners. A list of the winners is given in the newsletter so you can see who was lucky at the meeting. Refreshments were furnished by Richard Tipton and Jerry Oss.

#### BINGO WINNERS

The following is a list of the winners at last month's bingo party: Les Lebo, Tom Boegly, Bettie Anne Logan, Jocelyn King, Ralph Davis, Harry Sanders, Paul Reyling, Jamie Large, Stan Brookshier, Carolyn Davis, and Jackie Miller. Congratulations, everybody!

#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

After asking for help with stamps of the month, several club members came forward with donations. The most unexpected donation came from John Hotchner of Falls Church, VA, who writes for several philatelic publications.

Mr. Hotchner writes: "Saw your appeal in the June 26 issue and hope you will find the enclosed useful. Seems only fair that I contribute since you send me a "freebie" and I've used material from it(our newsletter) in both the APS Chapter Activities Committee Newsletter and in the "Stamp Club Idea Trading Post" in Stamp Collector. Keep up the good work!"

We are proud to share one of Mr. Hotchner's stamps this month. Thanks to all of you who donated, the Knoxville Stamp Club Newsletter will have an interesting stamp of the month for at least several months to come.

#### NOVICE STAMP CLUB

The novice stamp club will meet at 7:00 p.m., Aug. 7, preceding the regular meeting at the MLB building, 2247 Western Ave. The program will be a brief introduction to colors in stamp collecting. There will be a discussion of definitions and descriptions of colors, and identification of stamps by colors, led by Richard Tipton.

Richard reports that the novice group is being well - attended, with about 20 at each meeting. Also reported was that after the last session, which was on exhibiting by Bruce Roberts, several of our novice collectors are planning exhibits for the show coming up in October. FANTASTIC!

If you are a beginner, or even an "ole-timer" wanting to learn, do yourself a favor and come to the Novice Club Meeting this month.

#### DYNAMIC PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The club has received announcement of two covers that will be available from the Dynamic Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 849, Groton, CT, 06340. One of these is a commissioning cover for the USS Hyman G. Rickover, which will be commissioned into the fleet July 21, 1984 at the Submarine Base in Groton. The other cover is the launch cover for the 688-Class fast-attack submarine Providence (SSN719), which will be launched August 4, 1984 at the Electric Boat shipyard in Groton. Either of these covers may be ordered from the Dynamic Philatelic Society at the above address. The cost is 75¢ each, plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

#### SILENT AUCTION RULES

The board of directors has been working for several months to revise the silent auction rules. There were several areas that needed improvement, to make the auction more enjoyable, and to stimulate action at the auction. The rules are listed here, with footnotes to explain or detail changes in the rules. New rules or additional rules are underlined.

- 1. Bidding is by number only. Numbers will be assigned at random. Sellers will be assigned a number. 1
- 2. Bidding constitutes an agreement to buy.
- 3. All lots remain the property of the owners until paid for in full. All payments are to be made the night of the auction.
- 4. All lots are sold as is. 2 No returns allowed.
- 5. Each successful seller will pay a 5% fee of the hammer price for total lots sold by that seller, with a minimum of 25%.3
- 6. The seller will be responsible for setting a minimum bid (if any).4
- 7. All lots are to be submitted at least 15 minutes before the start of the business session, i.e. by 7:15 at the latest. No lots will be accepted after this time. Bidding will start 15 minutes before the start of the business session and end 30 minutes after the end of the scheduled program.
- 8. All lots are to be submitted affixed to a piece of paper approximately 82 x 11". All lots must be accessible for examination. 5
- 9. The Board of Directors reserves the right to amend or append these rules as may be required.

Please read all the rules carefully. Further clarification may be found in the footnotes on the next page. The new rules are designed to make the auction go more smoothly, and to take up less time in preparing the lots for display. On the next page, you will find drawings showing the proper arrangement of your lots, and also a form to attach to the bottom of each page. Lot numbers and owner numbers will be assigned and filled in by the auction handler. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

#### FOOTNOTES

1. There will be more security on owner's and bidder's numbers in the future. Your number will not be available except to the auction handler.

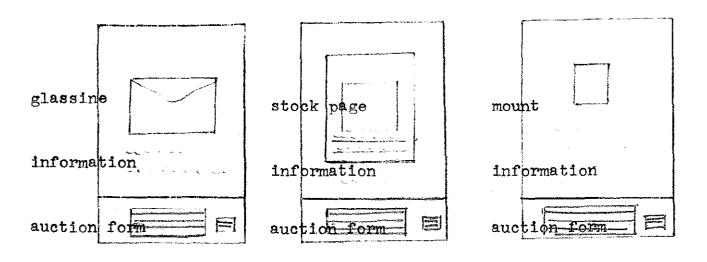
2. Lots will be available for examination. To avoid any dissappointment, all bidders are encouraged to thoroughly examine any lot before bidding. Bring your tongs, magnifiers, even watermark tray if you feel it is necessary to make an educated bid.

3. The buyer of a lot will pay only his bid. There will be NO fee for buying a lot. The owners of the lots will pay a 5% fee to the club on the total amount of their

lots sold, with a minimum of 25¢.

4. Lots with no minimums generally sell at the auction. The minimums we have been seeing lately are near retail prices - this is NOT the idea of an auction. This is why many sellers have not had any bids on their lots. As a dealer, I understand that you have to protect your investment, but an unreasonable minimum practically insures that you will carry your lot back home unsold. If you must put a minimum, consider it carefully and put the lowest possible amount.

5. THIS IS IMPERATIVE!!! Many of you have brought your lots in glassines, and the handler has to mount them, wasting lots of time. MOUNT YOUR LOTS ON SEPARATE PIECES OF PAPER!!! The paper used may be notebook paper, typing paper, or anything suitable. The lot should be attached, yet still accessible for examination. The auction form below may be copied and attached to the bottom of the lot sheet. If, for some reason, you cannot copy the form for each lot, they will be available at the meeting, but you must attach this form yourself. Tape will be available.



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#### COLOR SEARCH

Stamps come in all colors, and in this search you will find 34 different ones listed below. The words may be forward, backward, horizontal, or vertical, or diagonal, but always in a straight line. Circle each word in the diagram as you find it, and mark it off the list. If you want to learn more about these and other stamp colors, come to the Novice Stamp Club Meeting!

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- Aug. 1- 20¢ Melville commem., New Bedford. MA
- Aug. 6- 20¢ Moses commem., Bloomington, IN
- Aug. 7- Knoxville Stamp Club Meeting
- Aug.13- 20¢ Smokey the Bear commem., Capitan. NM
- Aug.16- Atomic City Stamp Club Meeting
- Aug.17- 20¢ Clemente Commem., Carolina. PR
- Aug.21- KSC Board of Directors Meeting

#### REPRINTS OF NEWSLETTER

Would you like to have a complete set of the Knoxville Stamp Club Newsletter? These will be available on order in two volumes at \$3.50 each. Volume I goes from April 20, 1982 to March 29, 1983; and Volume II begins April 26, 1983 and goes to March 27, 1984. These will be punched to fit a standard three-ring binder, so you will have a record of all the activities of the club from the very beginning. An index of articles will be included for each volume.

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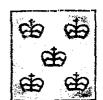
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#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

This month we have Scott #359 of Great Britain, part of a series issued from 1958 to 1965. This stamp has the St. Edward's Crown Multiple Watermark, which is shown to the right of the stamp. If you have never seen a water-



mark, or if you would like to learn more about them, come to the Novice Club Meeting September 4th. We will be discussing various types of watermarks, and their origins. The stamps were donated by Francis Painter.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING (See story on page 3 for details)
Tuesday, September 4, 1984, MLB Building, 2247 Western Ave., Knoxville

7:00p.m. Novice Club Meeting begins 7:15p.m. Deadline for lots to be in the silent auction

7:30p.m. Business meeting begins

8:00p.m.(approx.) Program

9:00p.m.(approx.) Special Project

9:30p.m. Silent auction ends

10:00p.m. We must be out of the meeting room

#### NOVICE MEETING

The novice meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the MLB Building, 2247 Western Ave., Knoxville, September 4, 1984. The discussion this month will be on watermarks. Richard Tipton will lead the session. Come and bring a friend.

The club has obtained permission to use the official seal of the 50th anniversary of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park for our cachet for Knoxpex '84. The cachet will be printed in three colors: black, light blue, and yellow. This cachet will tie in very nicely with the special cancel that Dean Treadway designed, and will be one that our club can be very proud of. Since Knoxville is known as the "Gateway to the Smokies", it is appropriate that we honor this occasion.



#### POST OFFICE TOUR

It has been arranged for our club to tour the main post office September 25, 1984, at 6:00 p.m. We will meet at the front door on Main St. This is a most interesting tour, and we would like to see a good turn out. Mark your calender and don't forget!

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

This month the Knoxville Stamp Club is celebrating its 4th anniversary. Many of you were not with us in the beginning, so here is a brief history of the club.

One afternoon my husband, Stan, Ron and Jo Mynatt, and I were sitting in the stamp shop (Brookshier's) discussing the fact that many of our customers had expressed the desire to have a local stamp club. After a lot of discussing, we decided to go ahead with it. A few days later, we spent an afternoon typing, addressing, stuffing, and stamping envelopes. Inside was an invitation to attend an organizational meeting at the shop. We kept our fingers crossed, and tried not to think "What if nobody shows up?". On the night of the meeting, we were pleased to see that about 20 collectors showed up, and several had called to say they couldn't be there but were interested.

We elected temporary officers to serve six months during the organizational period. We met at Brookshier's for 3 or 4 months, when a meeting room at Chester Massey's Insurance Office was obtained. The club was beginning to grow, and after about six months needed a larger room. Stan was fortunate enough to get us a large meeting room at the United American Bank at Western Plaza, where we met for over a year. The bank then needed the room for a computer center, so we were forced to look for a new meeting place.

After a lot of searching, the MLB Building was found, where we have now been meeting for over a year. The club has grown beyond our wildest dreams. Membership has more than tripled, we have had two successful shows, and participated in two first-day ceremonies. Our club has been featured in several articles in Linn's Stamp News and the Stamp Collector. We have been host to the philatelic journalist Herman (Pat) Herst, an evening that many of us will never forget.

Hats off to the Knoxville Stamp Club and Happy Anniversary:

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The meeting this month will be September 4, 1984, at 7:30 p.m., at the MLB Building, 2247 Western Ave. Business will consist of plans for Knoxpex '84. The program will be a talk on preparing exhibits by Bruce Roberts and Harry Sanders. Harry will bring an exhibit and tell about preparing to exhibit. Bruce will critique Harry's exhibit, and explain methods of judging. If you are planning an exhibit for the show, you won't want to miss this session. After the program, we will be working on preparing stamp packets for the special project. (See following article) Refreshments will be furnished by Jocelyn King, Frances Nall, and Harry Sanders. There will also be a drawing for a door prize furnished by Jocelyn King.

#### SPECIAL PROJECT FOR THE SEPTEMBER MEETING

Harry Sanders has been asked to present a program for a workshop for gifted children in Jefferson City on September 22. He will be talking to several groups on stamp collecting. Lloyda Smith, one of the directors of the workshop, and her son Lloyd have visited our club. Lloyd is enrolled in the workshop. Harry would like to take a number of packets to give to the youngsters. Therefore, all members coming to the September 4th meeting are asked to bring any quantity of U.S. and/or foreign stamps they can donate to this project. We will be assembling approximately 150 packets containing from 100 to 150 stamps each. Glassines will be provided in which to put the stamps. Harry will then take them for distribution to the children. Any leftover stamps will be used for our novice club or other club projects.

#### DURLAND PLATE BLOCK CATALOGUE

It has been brought to our attention that the Durland Plate Block Catalogue, produced by the Bureau Issues Association, is available in quantities of ten or more at a special price of \$8.50 each. (Regular price is \$12.50) This is the current issue. If you desire to order one of these, please notify Harry Sanders at the meeting or by phone: 688-0004. We must have an order of ten or more to get the special price.

#### LUCY HARMON

One of our members, Lucy Harmon, died August 9, 1984, at the home of her son in Bristol, TN. We extend our sympathies to the family. The club has sent flowers in her memory. If you would like to help, please see the treasurer at the meeting.

#### TESTERMAN TO SIGN PROCLAMATION

The mayor of Knoxville, Kyle Testerman, will sign a proclamation on September 24, 1984, at 9:00a.m., designating October as "Stamp Collecting Month" in Knoxville. Several members of the club will be attending the ceremonies to be held in the Mayor's office of the City-County Building.

#### NOW IT'S YOUR TURN

The officers, directors, and Knoxpex '84 committee members have been working hard for almost a year now on the club show. We've been having very good attendance at the meetings, and we appreciate that, indeed, we welcome your attendance.

We would welcome even more your participation in the club.
Time is growing short, the show is almost upon us, and NOW

IT'S YOUR TURN TO HELP. We're not asking much, just that you give
one hour of your time. Many of you are new collectors who may have
never attended a stamp show. A brief outline of the work to be done
follows, so that you will know what is expected of you.

Friday night. Oct. 5:

1. Ray Ritter needs help setting up the room, assembling frames, and cleaning glass. (Bring your own cleaning stuff) Sat.-Sun., Oct. 6-7:

1. Richard Tipton will have a chart at the September meeting for members to fill in their names to work at the Hospitality Table. We are asking that you work only  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 hour shifts at the table.

Duties: Have guests sign the register as they enter the show, sign up for free doorprizes, and sell club cachets.

- 2. Richard Tipton will also need help with the auction. He will need spotters, loggers, and someone to oversee the material when it is on view.
- 3. We will need someone to make a lunch run for dealers who will be too busy to take a lunch break. This only requires a couple of people to take orders and go to the nearest fast food place.

Sun., Oct. 7, p.m.

1. The show closes at 5:00p.m., but guess what, folks? That's right, it ain't over yet. Frames must be taken down and loaded. All messy litter must be cleaned up. Some dealers may also need help in loading their cars.

The success of the show depends on your help. It isn't that hard or time-consuming, it's just something that must be done so that you will all be able to enjoy the show.

....by Wilma Brookshier

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#### SPECIAL EVENTS

Sept. 4 - CLUB MEETING (KSC)

Sept.20 - O.R. Club

Sept. 24 - Mayor's Proclamation

Sept.25 - POST OFFICE TOUR

#### NEW ISSUES

Sept. 7 - Dogs, block of four Sept. 26 - Crime Prevention

# EDITOR'S ET CETERA (Miscellaneous Miscellany)

The Knoxville Stamp Club Newsletter Omnibus is now available in two volumes, pre-punched to fit a three-ring binder. Cost is \$3.50 per volume, payable to the KSC. See Jo Mynatt to order your copies.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony has been planned for Knoxpex '84. It will take place October 6th, at 10:00 a.m. This opening event will be attended by the mayor of Knoxville and other dignitaries.

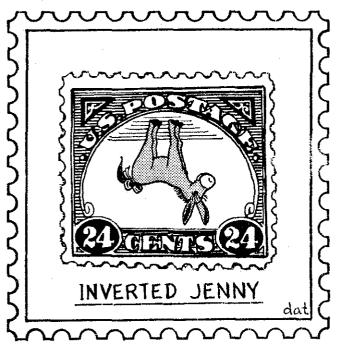
The exhibit awards have arrived, and will be on view at the club meeting. Now we need exhibits to win them. See Dean Treadway for exhibit applications - Sign up today!

The first meeting in January just happens to fall on Jan. 1, so it has been changed to January. 8, 1985, which will be the second Tuesday, instead of the first as usual.

The silent auction this month will again be by the new rules. Remember, there is NO buyer's fee. All lots must be mounted before the meeting. We had a great auction last month. Don't miss this one.

The Atomic City Stamp Club will meet September 20, 1984, at 7:30 p.m. at the Oak Ridge Civic Center. The program is an APS slide show on Newfoundland Aero Philately. The Atomic City Club deserves our support, so we would like to see a good number of our members at their meeting. Why not call a few people, and carpool?

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#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

The stamp of the month this month is an unlisted souvenir sheet from Ajman State, one of the so-called Trucial. States. The sheet depicts one of the Apollo space missions. These sheets were produced to generate revenue from stamp collectors, therefore are not Scott-listed. If you are a space topic collector, this sheet could be used to add color and interest to your collection. The sheets were donated by Brookshier's.

# THIS MONTH'S MEETING agenda

See story on page 2 for full details of this month's meeting.

7:00 p.m. Beginner's Club Meeting

7:15 p.m. Deadline for lots to be in the silent auction

7:30 p.m. Business meeting

8:00 p.m.(approx.) Program:

Stuffing programs for Knoxpex Putting fillers in cacheted envelopes for Knoxpex Miscellaneous for Knoxpex

Silent auction ends. (Time will be announced)

TBA Silent auction ends. (Time Will 9:30 p.m. Clean up period. Please help!!!

10:00 p.m. We must be out of the room.

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The meeting this month will be at the MLB Building, 2247 Western Ave., Knoxville, TN, at 7:30 p.m. on October 2, 1984. The Beginner's Stamp Club will meet preceding the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. There will be a silent auction before and after the meeting. All lots to be in the silent auction must be mounted on paper and submitted by 7:15 p.m. The main business of this meeting will be the final preparations for Knoxpex '84. There will be several things that must be done for the show, such as stuffing programs, and fillers in the cacheted envelopes, so we will need lots of willing hands to help.

#### KSC TO BE FEATURED ON T.V.

On October 2, 1984, at 6:00 a.m. on Channel 6, several members of the Knoxville Stamp Club will be featured on the show "Good Morning, Tennessee". Representatives of the club will be Harry Sanders, Richard Tipton, Dean Treadway, and Bruce Roberts. They will be talking about stamp collecting in general, the Knoxville Stamp Club, and Knoxpex '84. They will be telling about different aspects of stamp collecting, from postcards to topicals, and will be showing examples of various types of stamp collecting. This should be a most interesting hour, so be sure to set your alarm and get up in time to watch it.

GOOD LUCK, HARRY, RICHARD, DEAN & BRUCE!!!

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#### MAYOR SIGNS PROCLAMATION

A document proclaiming October as "Stamp Collecting Month in Knoxville" has been signed by Mayor Kyle Testerman. The ceremony took place in the mayor's office at the City-County Building September 24th at 9:00 a.m. A copy of the proclamation will be included in the program for Knoxpex '84. Several members of the Knoxville Stamp Club attended the ceremony.

#### POST OFFICE TOUR

The Knoxville Stamp Club was led on a tour of the facilities of the main post office September 25th at 6:00 p.m. Hazel Large, Jamie Large, and Jo Mynatt made an effort to contact as many members as possible to remind them of the tour, and we hope that YOU were in attendance. There will be a full report of the tour in the next issue of this newsletter.

#### OLYMPIC OBLIVION

The Olympic torch relay is a tradition dating from the 1936 Berlin Olympiad. It has continued, with some interruptions, to be an exciting pre-Olympic event. The 1984 Olympic torch relay began, as tradition dictates, in the city of Olympia, Greece. An electrical current beamed by underground cable from Greece lit the flame in New York City. From there, an army of 10,000 runners carried the torch for 82 days, covering 9000 miles. The flame traveled through 33 states. A special torch relay cancel was designed to be used in 41 major cities in the United States on the day that the torch passed through them. Knoxville and Memphis were the only two cities in Tennessee that had the special cancel.

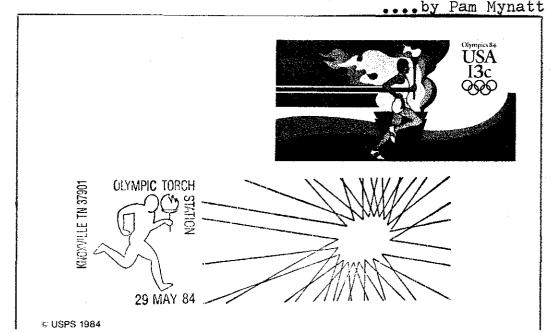
The torch came through Knoxville, May 29, 1984. A runner passed the flame to Honey Alexander at Seventeenth St. She proceeded down Cumberland Ave. to Circle Park, where a rally was held. After the rally, the torch proceeded up Cumberland

to Chapman Highway, en route to Gatlinburg.

The special cancel was used in Knoxville on May 29,1984, on the Olympic postal card and also on a special cacheted post-card with a 13¢ stamp. Linn's Stamp News, on April 30, 1984, reported that "The USPS is arranging for postmasters of these (the 41 cities) cities to cancel a limited number of the 13¢ Olympic Torch postal cards with the pictorial." Notice the word LIMITED in the announcement. The question is: How limited? Linn's said that there was a limit of 50 covers per person per city. However, when checking stamp collectors in the area, we found only a very few even knew about the special cancel. A reputable source said that only 100 of each of the cards were available. Talk about limited! So far, we have only accounted for about 20 covers. Does anyone in the club have any? Of course, some out-of-town collectors may have gotten the items by mail from the post office.

Is it a lack of interest that causes our Knoxville collectors to shun special events in our town? Or a general apathy toward modern postal history? It is my opinion that this "proof" that the Olympic flame passed through Knoxville, Tennessee, on May 29, 1984, is a valued addition to my collection.

Does anyone know of or have covers, post cards, etc., with the special cancel? If so, let Jo Mynatt know about it.



#### HOW'S YOUR CLUB "EYE-QUE"?

Here's a quiz to test your "Club Eye-Que". How well do you know those in the club? Read only one clue at a time. If you can guess the name of the person on the first clue, give yourself 100 points. Thereafter, take off 20 points for each clue that you have to use. If you have to use all of them, you don't get any points!

#### Mystery Person #1

Clue 1: What person is ALWAYS at the meeting, except for a very good reason? (100 points)
Clue 2: What person makes several trips each month to get the club's mail from the post office box? (80 points)
Clue 3: Who calls the MLB Building each month and makes sure that the room is reserved for us to have our meetings? (60 points)
Clue 4: What person has the club's coffee pot in the trunk of his or her car, and hauls it around between meetings? (40 points)
Clue 5: Who always seems to be the last to leave the meetings, because he or she has to clean up the mess? (20 points)
Clue 6: What person serves the club as treasurer? (0 points)

#### Mystery Person #2

Clue 1: Who seldom comes to the meeting, because he or she thinks it's boring? (100 points)

Clue 2: Who doesn't have time to run small errands for the club? (80 points)

Clue 3: Who "hates to call people", therefore can't make phone calls for the club? (60 points)

Clue 4: Who won't sign up for refreshments because he or she can't cook? (40 points)

Clue 5: What person always has to leave the meeting early, and of course, doesn't have time to clean up his or her mess? (20 points)

Clue 6: What person won't serve as an officer or committee member, because it would take up too much time, but can always find the time to criticize those who do? (O points)

Answers to Mystery Person #1 and #2 are found on the last page.

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#### HELP WANTED

Yes, that means you! Last month we had to be out of the building by 10:00pm. This is a new rule, and it brings along with it more responsibility out of you, the club members. If you were at the last meeting, you were asked to pick up your mess. Also the newsletter stated that the silent auction had a definite stopping time. These things were done in order for us to be out of the building by 10:00pm leaving the room the way it was.

This month we are asking members to please, PLEASE, put things like you found them. Someone is also needed to help set up the 'refreshment corner'. When someone who already has a job(s) to do has to stop what they are doing and set up the refreshments, it throws

the whole schedule off.

Articles like this one have been written before, but it doesn't seem to help our situation. If you like our meeting place and would like to keep it, please help with straightening the room. If you like the 'goodies', then please volunteer to help with putting the refreshments out and then cleaning up afterwards.

Thanks to all who helped at the last meeting. Keep up the good work and get somebody else involved.

...Anonymous

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ANSWERS TO QUIZ

Mystery Person #1 is: HAZEL LARGE

Mystery Person #2 is: Hopefully, NONE of our members!

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#### LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The August 7th meeting was well attended, with 38 members and visitors present. The Novice meeting was on stamp colors. The business meeting consisted of a discussion of the plans for Knoxpex '84. There were 44 lots in the silent auction, the new rules made the auction go much better, and most of the lots were sold. The doorprize was won by Richard Tipton. A number of people brought refreshments, and our thanks go to all of them. An APS slide show was shown, on French Balloon Posts.

#### BOARD MEETING

The board meeting this month will be at 7:30 p.m. at Jerry's Restaurant on Kingston Pike, September 18. All board members, PLEASE BE THERE, as final plans are being made for the show.

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# KNOXVILLE STAMP CLUB



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President-Dean Treadway-588-8400

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#### STAMP OF THE MONTH

The stamp you find on your newsletter this month is a regular US commemorative. which may be found on your mail, a friend or relative's mail, or in a wastebasket. These stamps are fun to collect, and do not cost a penny! They must be removed from the paper by a process called soaking. This is

accomplished by placing the piece in a bowl of lukewarm water for about 30 minutes. The stamp will then just float off the paper. Next, place the wet stamp between paper toweling or other absorbant paper to dry. When it is dry, you have a nice stamp to place in your collection. Happy hunting!

THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN KNOXPEX '84. See story on page 3.....

THIS MONTH'S AGENDA

7:00 pm - Beginner's Stamp Club Meeting

7:15 pm - Deadline for auction lots

7:30 pm - Business meeting

8:00 pm (approx.) - Program

TBA - Auction ends

9:30 pm (approx.) - Clean up time

10:00 pm - We must be out of room

See page 2 for details about beginner's program, auction information, and the program.

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

#### REVIEW OF AUCTION RULES

There have been some questions about the auction rules, so here is a summary of them, and the rules will be posted at the auction table at the meeting.

Bidding is by number; you sign up for your number at the table. All bids are final. If you bid, you should be prepared to buy. Increases must be at least  $25\phi$ .

There is no buyer's fee. The seller pays 5% to the club. All lots must be paid for at the close of the auction.

#### LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The club met October 2,1984, with 45 members and visitors present. The mayor's proclamation was on view for the members to see. Jo Mynatt was presented with an award from the club for her service and loyalty. After the business meeting, all the members worked on stuffing the programs, putting fillers in the cacheted envelopes, and preparing packets of stamps to be given away at the show. Several members brought refreshments, which were enjoyed by all.

#### REPORT FROM THE BOARD

The Board of Directors met October 16, 1984, at Jerry's. There was discussion on the show, with several good and bad points brought out. The board voted to eliminate the frame fee, which we feel caused a lack of participation in the exhibiting. Dean Treadway gave a report on the surveys that were taken, both from visitors and the dealers. It was estimated that over 300 persons visited Knoxpex '84. All visitors will be sent a newsletter this month with an application for joining the club, and a map of our meeting location.

The program for November, which was originally to be bingo, was changed to be a display of the prize-winning exhibits.

There was a discussion on the auction rules. It was decided to require at least a 25¢ raise on bidding. Also, a 5 minute recess will be taken at the end of the auction for the lots to be tallied.

The collection of Mrs. Lucy Harmon, one of our members who recently passed away, has been donated to the club. The collection is still being examined to determine what to do with it.

#### KNOXPEX '84

Knoxpex \*84 is over, but will not be forgotten for a long time. Highlights of the show were:

- 1. A ribbon-cutting ceremony, with Mayor Kyle Testerman,
  Postmaster Ray Asbury, and Bill Roop in attendance. A television crew from Channel 10 covered the event for the 6
  o'clock news.
- 2. People, people, people. Never before have we seen so many new faces. Due to the excellent publicity, people really came out for this show. We estimate well over 300 attended.
- 3. Great dealers. Thirteen of the finest were at this show, and from all reports, it was a good show for everyone.
- 4. Hospitality. Well, Tennessee hospitality is known everywhere, and this show was no exception. A steaming pot of coffee and enthusiastic club members working the club table, giving out "freebies", selling cacheted envelopes, and publicizing the club made this show special. Thanks to all of you members who showed up to work your shift, or fill in where there were gaps.
- 5. The auction was well attended, and made a lively change of pace. Thanks to Bill Dykes, the auctioneer, the club made over \$50 on the auction.
- 6. The exhibits were varied and interesting. Awards went to: Richard Tipton, Paul Reyling, Pam Mynatt, Jo Mynatt, and Dean Treadway.

Visitors were asked to fill out a survey, and from these surveys, we have determined that most people heard about the show from the newspapers, philatelic news, or from friends. The most popular collecting interest among those who turned in their surveys is United States stamps. Most of the visitors were over 36 years of age, and many showed an interest in finding out more about the club.

The dealers were also asked to answer some questions about their feelings about the show. All of them said Knoxpex '84 lived up to their expectations. Most felt that the location, room in general, organization of the show, and customer traffic were good. A few rated these categories as fair. No one gave a poor rating on any of the questions. One of the dealers summed it all up with this comment, with which many of us can agree:

"I LOVED IT!!!"

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November, 1984

Nov. 6 - Knoxville Stamp Club Meeting

Nov.10 - Vietnam Veterans 20¢ commem.

Nov 15 - Atomic City Stamp Club Meeting - Auction

Nov.20 - KSC Board Meeting

Nov. ? - Hispanic Americans 20¢ commem.

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#### 1898 REVENUE OVERPRINTS

In 1898, Congress imposed a tax on bank checks to raise money to support the Spanish-American War. Since there were no revenue stamps available (They had been discontinued in 1882), the US took the current regular postal issue and overprinted the one and two cent values with "I.R." to use until a permanent stamp could be issued. This is the only time in U.S. history that a regular current portrait issue was overprinted and used for a non-postal purpose.

The tax took effect on July 1, 1898, and continued until June 30, 1902. The series was overprinted using a rubber blanket, and exists with the overprint inverted. First day uses of the stamps are eagerly sought by the collector, and are rather difficult to find. Also, extremely late uses of the issue are hard to find. The permanent issue (the Battleship series) was delivered by mid-July, 1898, and continued use of the overprinted series, although legal and valid, is unusual. The stamps are commonly found used, somewhat harder to find unused, and sought after on documents. An interesting collection may be formed by collecting a cancelled copy for each of the days of valid use, a total of 1460 stamps. Plate and marginal blocks and strips are quite scarce, since the stamps were designed for single usage.

These stamps offer a wide range for specialization, and a real challenge to the efforts of the collector. If you are looking for a "different" area to collect, try these overprints.

...by Richard Tipton

# I. R. I.R.

(a) (b)

Overprints found on the 1898 revenues. (Copied from catalogue)

#### WHY WE WORK FOR THE CLUB

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Why do we work for the club? It can't be because we don't have anything else to do. We work, have families, and are involved in a lot of other things. It can't be for the praise, because most things are never noticed. It can't be for the pay, because there is none. So why do we continue to work? Truthfully, for a purely selfish reason - YOU. We love the club, the people, and yes- the work!

It has been said that the busiest people are the ones to ask when a job needs to be done. This is certainly true. They are the ones who will do the work without any thought of getting recognition or praise. The job is done, and the club continues to function.

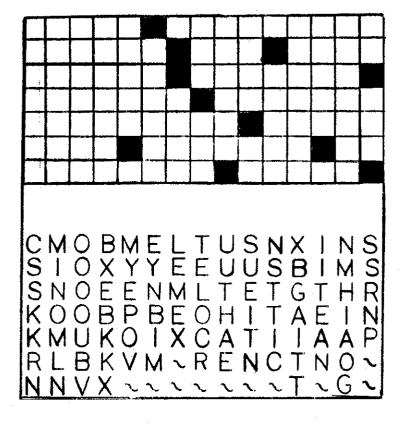
There are several people in the club who are the "gears" that keep this organization moving. You know who they are - why not pick one or two of them and give them a word of encouragement. Tell them that you appreciate them and their work.

The greatest rewards are the little things - a smile, a friendly hug, or a pat on the back.

Put a little "oil" in the "gears" and keep them moving.

• • • Anonymous

In the boxes below, there is room for various things pertaining to Knoxpex '84, and in the last three lines, a message to each of you. Each item is on one line. The items may have more than one word. A black square denotes the end of a word. The letters to make up the words are found under the boxes, in no particular order. It is up to you to decide where to place the letters so that they will spell out the items and the message.



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J.R.'s STAMPS

Jo & Ron Mynatt

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Thank You

We want to thank everyone

who visited our booth at the stamp

show. We appreciate you.

Stan & Wilma Brookshier

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We hope that you enjoyed Knoxpex '84, and that you would like to join the Knoxville Stamp Club. If you would like to join, but can't attend the meeting, you may fill out and return the application below.

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Name
Address
City
State,Zip
Phone
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY
Yes, I would like to join the Knoxville Stamp Club for the remainder of 1984:
Regular member @ \$1.25
Junior member @ .25
Family membership @ \$1.90
I would also like to pre-pay my dues for 1985:
Regular member @ \$5.00
Junior member @ \$1.00
Family membership @ \$7.50
(Junior members must be 17 years of age or younger.)
Mail applications and dues to: The Knoxville Stamp Club,

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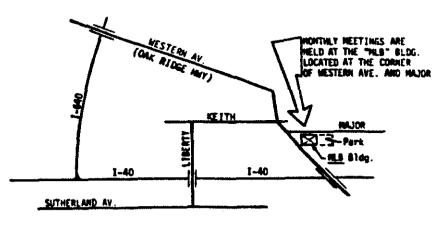
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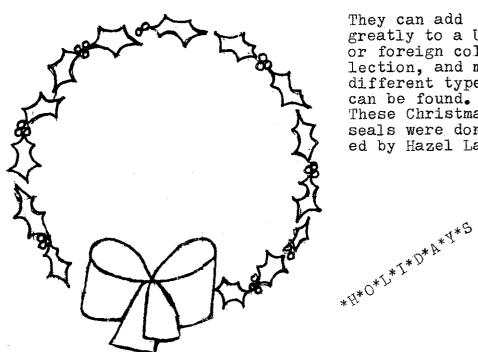
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STAMP OF THE MONTH

The stamp of the month is not a postage stamp, but a Christmás Seal. These types of stamps are called labels, and many stamp collectors save them.



They can add greatly to a U.S. or foreign collection, and many different types can be found. These Christmas seals were donated by Hazel Large.

AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 4 MEETING

7:00 p.m. Beginner's Meeting led by Richard Tipton
7:15 p.m. Deadline for lots to be in the silent auction

7:30 p.m. Business meeting begins (see details on page 2)

8:00 p.m. Approx. Program
8:30 p.m. Approx. Christmas party

Silent auction ends 9:30 p.m. Clean-up period

10:00p.m. We must be out of the room

#### THIS MONTH'S MEETING

The main order of business this meeting will be planning for Knoxpex '85. For exhibits, we are asking each member to show a one PAGE exhibit of their collecting interest. There will be no competition, but this will be a good way for newcomers to see the many ways that stamps can be collected and enjoyed. Committee members appointed so far are: Bourse-Bruce Roberts, and Program and Cachet-Dean Treadway.

A hospitality chairperson is needed to oversee the refreshments each month. If you would like to work on this, please see the

president before the meeting.

Nominations for officers for 1985 will be taken from the floor at this meeting. The nominating committee has presented it's slate of officers. They are: President, Dean Treadway; Vice President, Richard Tipton; Secretary, Jamie Large; and Treasurer, Hazel Large. For the three-year term on the board of directors, Jocelyn King has been nominated. The election will take place at the January meeting, and the officers elected will begin their terms.

This month is our annual Christmas party. Refreshments will be furnished by Carol Boring, Tina Denny, and Dean Treadway. Any

others who wish to bring refreshments may do so.

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#### REPORT ON NOVEMBER MEETING

There were 32 members and visitors present at the Nov. 6 meeting. It was voted to have a show in March of 1985, since there will not be a show at West Town this year. The board will meet to determine where and when the show will be held. There was a silent auction, including several lots from the collection of Mrs. Lucy Harmon. Mrs. Harmon's collection was given to the club by her family after her death earlier this year. The slate of officers nominated by the nominating committee was presented. (See slate in "This Month's Meeting article) Refreshments were furnished by the club.

#### DOORPRIZES FOR DECEMBER

You don't want to miss this meeting! The club has a special gift for each one who attends the meeting - a free Showgard perf gauge. Also, there will be drawings for three door prizes. The prizes are: a Wonder Color Gauge, invaluable for determining stamp colors; a 1965 UN 20th anniversary souvenir sheet, mint; and a package containing 111 different worldwide stamps. You must be present to win, so be sure to be there!

#### WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

The club would like to welcome our newest members, who have joined since the last report: Dick Kyle, Carol Boring, Tina Denny, Rickey Hartley, Doris Hartley, Orville Bryant, Ralph Vola, Ted Newman, Jr., Michael Newman, and Shirley Gilley. Glad to have you aboard!

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. We will begin collecting dues at this meeting. Dues are \$5 for each regular member, \$1 for junior members (17 or under), or \$7.50 for the whole family. (Only one newsletter will be sent to each address)
- 2. Smoking is not allowed in the meeting room. Smoking is permitted in the lobby or outside. We ask all to co-operate in this rule.
  3. The January meeting has been changed to Jan.?, 1985, because the

first Tuesday falls on New Year's Day.

4. A hospitality chairperson will be appointed at this meeting. If you would be interested in this position, see Dean Treadway.

5. Knoxpex '85 is in the planning stages. It is to be March 2 and 3, 1985. There will be discussion about the plans at this meeting. Several committee heads are needed to make this show as big a success as was Knoxpex '84.

6. Upcoming programs for 1985: Feb. 5 - Slide show - "Why Topical Collecting?"; April 2 - Film - "Timbromania"; June 4 - Slide show - "The U.S. 1847's"; Oct. 1 - Slide show - "The Doctoring of Postage

Stamps".

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The 'telic tic'le is an original cartoon by our president, Dean Treadway.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec. 4 - Knoxville Stamp Club meeting, 7:30pm, MLB Building, 2247 Western Ave.

Dec.15 - Atomic City Stamp Club Fall Auction, OR Civic Center

Dec. 18 - KSC Board Meeting

Dec. 20 - Atomic City Stamp Club Christmas Party

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