



KPS celebrates
Bluegrass Music &
Grand Ole Opry
Centennial

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Knoxville Philatelic Society

2025 Calendar of Events

Tuesday Meetings – 7:00 pm
Saturday Meetings – 9:00 am – 1 pm



Month	Date	Type Meeting	Meeting Details
January	7	Monthly Meeting	Program: <i>What I Collected Last Year</i> John Smartt
	18 24-26	Saturday Meeting Southeastern Stamp Expo	Norcross, Georgia
February	4	Monthly Meeting Executive Board Meeting	Program: <i>KnoxPEX 2025 preparation</i> 6:00pm
March	1-2	KnoxPEX (stamp show)	Celebrating Bluegrass Music & Centennial of the Grand Ole Opry
	4	Monthly Meeting	Program: <i>KnoxPEX 2025 recap and plans for 2026</i>
April	1	Monthly Meeting	Nomination of Club Officers Program: <i>1938 Presidential Series: Postal History</i> Tom Ringenbach
	29	Fifth Tuesday Meeting	
May	6	Monthly Meeting New program	Election of Club Officers Program: <i>Researching Postal History in Washington, DC (via Zoom)</i> Susan Smith, PhD Winton Blount Research Chair Smithsonian National Postal Museum
	17	Executive Board Meeting Saturday Meeting	6:00pm
June	3	Monthly Meeting Changed date	Program: <i>Swiss Soldier Stamps of World War II (via Zoom)</i> Marshall Blum
July	1	Monthly Meeting	Program: <i>The People I've Met on Cover, Part II</i> Bill Ott
	29	Fifth Tuesday Meeting	
August	5	Monthly Meeting	Program: <i>Is That Stamp Necessary? (via Zoom)</i> Stan Krukowski
	14-17 23	Executive Board Meeting Great American Stamp Show Saturday Meeting	6:00pm Chicago, Illinois
September	2	Monthly Meeting	Program: <i>Rediscovering the Baguette</i> Tom Broadhead
	30	Fifth Tuesday Meeting	
October	7 18	Monthly Meeting Saturday Meeting	Short business meeting followed by Live Auction
November	4	Monthly Meeting	Program: <i>The History of the Humble Postcard</i> Bill Ott
		Executive Board Meeting	6:00pm
December	2	Monthly Meeting	Program: <i>Beyond the Catalog: Expanding Your Collection in New Directions (via Zoom)</i> Jeff Heyward
	6	KPS Holiday Party	Location: Lakeside Tavern, Concord Time: 11:30a - 2:00p

- ❖ Details for meetings, including location and time will be posted on the KPS website and emailed to KPS members prior to each meeting.
- ❖ KPS stamp and cover inventory is available at the Saturday and Fifth Tuesday Meetings. There is no club business at these meetings.
- ❖ All monthly meetings will begin at 7:00pm and will be live as well as virtual on ZOOM unless announced otherwise.
- ❖ Details of the Live Auction will be included in the September KPS News which will be emailed to all KPS members.

The *Grand Ole Opry* is a regular live country-music radio broadcast originating from Nashville, Tennessee, on WSM, held between two and five nights per week, depending on the time of year. It was founded on November 28, 1925, by George D. Hay as the *WSM Barn Dance*, taking its current name in 1927. It moved to its most famous former home, Ryman Auditorium, in 1943. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grand_Ole_Opry. In December 1945, Grand Ole Opry star Bill Monroe and his mandolin brought to the Ryman Auditorium stage a band that created a new American musical genre kown as Bluegrass.