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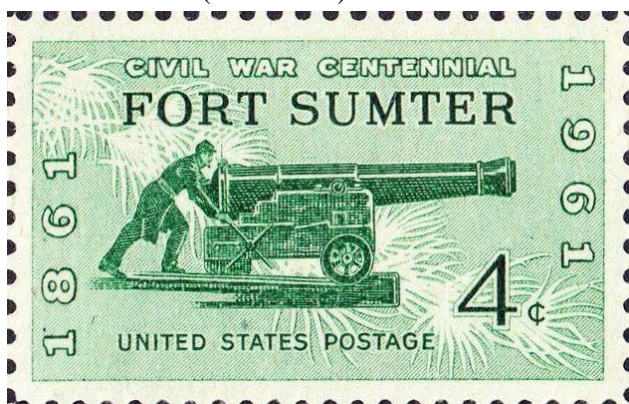
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## Civil War Commemoration

We are fast moving into the first year of a five-year commemoration of the American Civil War. Our celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Knoxville Confederate provisional postage stamps in March is but a small part of local observances. The Knox County Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission was created last fall, and the Commission Chair, Dr. Joan Lynsky Markel will be our program speaker at the January KPS meeting. The many battles of the war are familiar to most, and Dr. Markel's talk, "Knoxville's Civilian War 1861-1865" will shed light on the home front during those difficult years.

In the 1860's, stamps were too new for anyone to contemplate commemorative issues, but enterprising artists and printers created a vast range of patriotic cover cachets. Since that time, other US commemorative and definitive stamps have appeared featuring battles and personalities related to the war. I'll write about these in an upcoming KPS News, but here's one of my favorites, the 1961 Fort Sumter commemorative (Scott 1178).



Stay tuned for more!

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

Happy New Year to all members and families of the Knoxville Philatelic Society. Let us all hope that 2011 will be as good for KPS as 2010 has been! The Saturday meeting program has been so successful that we are planning to continue it and revise it so we don't have any more 3 meetings in 7 days. We will have APS books available now for 4 additional times in 2011. Thanks to Jim Pettway for taking care of this as our APS representative!

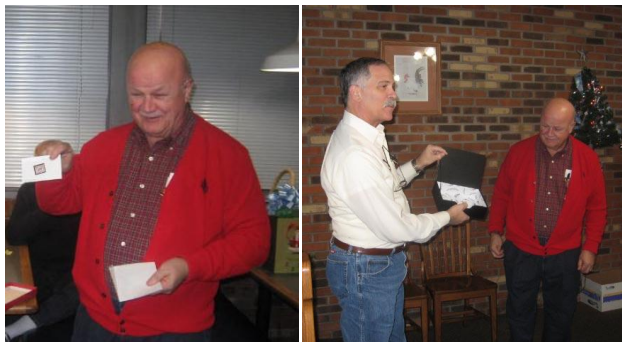
Our Christmas dinner and gift exchange at our December meeting was a success. The Great American Steak & Buffet provided us with a private room and excellent service. The food was tasty, plentiful and nobody left with an empty stomach! Thomas Lane did his usual reliable job handling the finances and paying our bills. Thomas is still accepting shirts to have the KPS logos stitched upon them. I recommend you have a long sleeve as well as a short sleeve shirt for all weather use.

I enjoyed the article by Charlie Wade in the December KPS News about the 1939 Centennial of Baseball stamp. I was given a first day cover of this issue autographed by Babe Ruth by a good friend and stamp dealer with whom I used to work back in Maryland at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center. It is one of my favorite possessions and, as most of you know, I am not a cover collector. If I can find the box I have stored it in, I will show it at a future meeting. One of these days I will have to unpack some of the "stuff" I brought with me when we moved to TN ten short years ago! But that is another story!!

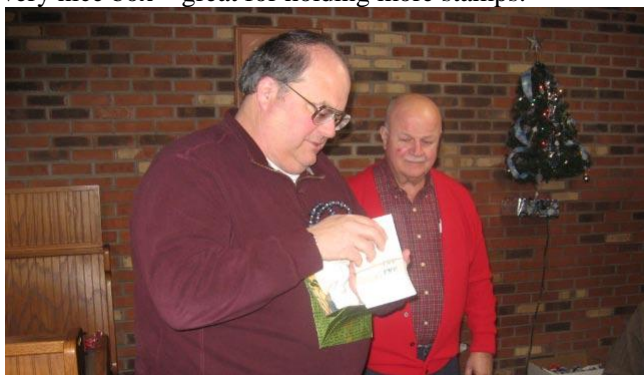
*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – September 7, 2010

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Great American Steak & Buffet for its annual holiday dinner. Twenty-two members and guests were present to join in the festivities. Following the meal, the annual gift exchange brought its usual hilarity.



President Stu Hanlein drew a nice inverted airmail stamp for his gift (Hey, Stu, turn it over!). Jim Pettway drew a very nice box – great for holding more stamps.



We don't know what Roy Row got, but it was in a very nice gift bag.

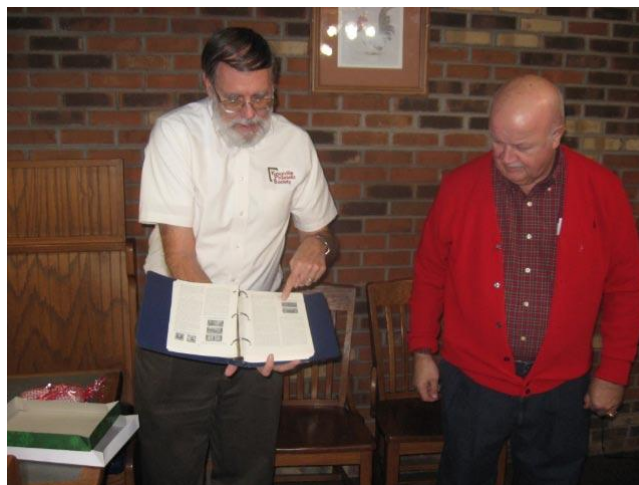
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**Annual dues are \$15.00.**

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Thomas Lane received a nice catalog and binder and showed Stu what a precancel stamp is.

The evening was capped by a dvd presentation about first day covers of the US Medal of Honor commemorative, brought by Thomas Lane.

Submitted by Tom Broadhead.

Photos by Jim Pettway.

## Upcoming Events

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs - [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events).

January 4 – KPS monthly meeting – Program: Dr. Joan Lynsky Markel – “Knoxville’s Civilian War 1861-1865.”

January 15 – KPS Saturday meeting, place and time TBA – a new set of APS circuit sales books

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March 1 – KPS monthly meeting – Program: Final preparations for Knoxpex 2011.

March 5-6 – Knoxpex 2011 – Holiday Inn Knoxville West, 304 North Cedar Bluff Rd.

## Stamp of the Month

This month’s stamp, courtesy of Mike Kauffman, is the 10 centime value (Scott 330) of the 1949 pictorial definitive issue of Switzerland. This very



finely engraved stamp depicts a mountain railroad, but note that the cancellation on the example printed in this month’s newsletter appears to show an airplane coming in

for a landing on the train! It’s always worth checking used stamps for interesting or amusing cancellations.

# Shepherd's Hotel - Cairo

By Elaine Evans

Delightful surprises are often offered on stamped postcards. In 1902, one such postcard was mailed from Cairo, Egypt to St. Louis, Missouri. It bears two values of 1884 Egyptian stamps, a one millieme and a three millieme, with images of the Great Sphinx and Pyramid of Khufu on each. But of more significant interest is a clear, hand



stamped cancel of Cairo's famous Shepherd's Hotel, once the social center of Cairo. The cancel makes one think of the hotel's beginnings, where rustling taffeta swirled at dinner dances and cups of tea were sipped at tables on its famous terrace. The place to stay was eagerly sought after, frequented by notables, fashionables, celebrities and important internationals of the day, far too numerous to name here. Many such postcards passed through its great doors!

The original British Hotel had operated in the French Quarter of Cairo. Eventually, it was taken over by the unassuming, adventurous Englishman Samuel Shephard (1816-1866), who had arrived in Egypt, equipped with innate organizational skills. According to a plaque in the old Shepherd's Hotel, he became its proprietor in 1841.\*

Under his progressive management a postal service was opened there. Previously the hotel had only served as a forwarding center for mail between Cairo and Alexandria. It was a time when Egypt, under the rule of Mohammed Ali Pasha (1805-1849), was becoming an important crossroads of East and West. As ruler and supporter of foreign nationals, he encouraged them in his goal to modernize Egypt, including its postal services. Shephard had arrived at the right time.

Between 1848 and 1853, Samuel Shephard's black and blue, double-oval, handstamp cancels were used on mail marked, "Forwarded by British Hotel. Cairo. S. Shephard."\*\* The post still traveled rather slowly, and even by 1853, it would take some 24 days for a letter from England to reach Cairo!



This postal service continued to be a much appreciated convenience to hotel residents and tourists. Patrons would not have to wade through the crowded and dusty streets to the nearest postal facility. They only had to leave letters and postcards with the hotel concierge to be cancelled and sent.



In 1861, after many fruitful years as owner and charismatic manager of all that went on in his beloved hotel, Samuel Shephard sold it and retired to England. The new owner kept its name and deftly managed elegance. In 1891, the hotel was rebuilt as a luxurious inn (shown at right) on the site of the former headquarters and stables of Napoleon Bonaparte, during his invasion of Egypt in 1798. The 1890s had started the golden era in Egypt, a time of great prosperity, leading to the year 1902 of our Shepherd's Hotel cancel, above.

\*Nina Nelson, *Helnan Shephard Hotel Cairo-Egypt*. Cairo: Al-Ahram, 1992, p.1.

\*\*Samir Amin Fikry, *Postal History of Egypt to 1900*. London: The Royal Philatelic Society, 1996, p. 39.

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, January 4

## KPS Saturday Meeting

By Tom Broadhead

The special Saturday KPS meeting on December 4 was the middle of the trio of meetings, beginning with the November 30 Fifth Tuesday and ending with the December 7 holiday dinner. This was our second 3-meeting week, and Jim Pettway has developed a plan, shown on this page, that spreads the philatelic joy more evenly in 2011.

Fourteen members and guests arrived at Bruce Roberts's church to browse the APS circuit sales books, KPS Regency auction lots, and to hear a great program by former KPS president, Nicole Sanchez.



Nicole and her family live in Georgia, and we were fortunate that they were in Knoxville that weekend. Her program was an introduction to topical collecting with the early common design issues of "Europa" stamps, issued by

the European Community in the 1950's and 60's.

## Great Plans for 2011

By Jim Pettway

Thanks to all who have paid their KPS membership dues for 2011 and taken advantage of the 20% discount. About a third of 2010 members have renewed for 2011 so far, and that's great. And I cannot believe the number of donations that have come in with dues payments. Thank you to those who give a lot extra to the KPS.

Your officers and directors are planning more activities for 2011. This coming year we will have four Saturday meetings at various locations in the area. Each meeting will consist of a stamp related program, the APS Sales circuit books, and fun selling and buying stamps and covers. We tried the Saturday meetings this year and they have been a success. Some members couldn't attend the "regular" monthly

Tuesday meetings but found Saturday to work out for them. So come join us on a Saturday. We had a fabulous program this past Saturday.

We will continue to have the regular monthly KPS meetings and Fifth Tuesday meetings. APS Sales circuit books will be at the Fifth Tuesday meetings and the following regular KPS meeting. These will be different from the books available at the Saturday meetings. Regular meetings will consist of a little business, a philatelic program, and fun trading stamp stories.

Then there's Knoppex 2011 in March, sponsored by the KPS. This is one of the best shows in the Southeast. We'll have a stamp bourse, stamp/cover exhibits, a live auction, beginner's area and more. It's a weekend of fun playing with stamps and covers.

In October the KPS will celebrate Stamp Collecting Month with a live auction. As a KPS member you can enter philatelic lots for auction. This has been a lot of fun in the past years and members look forward to this venue to sell their duplicate material and acquire new. And in December we will have our Holiday Dinner Party.

### Mark Your 2011 Calendars for These Dates!

January 4 - **Regular meeting** - no circuit books  
January 15 - **Saturday meeting** - circuit books  
February 1 - **Regular meeting** - no circuit books  
March 1 - **Regular meeting** - no circuit books  
March 29 - **Fifth Tuesday meeting**, circuit books  
April 5 - **Regular meeting** - circuit books from March  
April 16 - **Saturday meeting** - circuit books  
May 3 - **Regular meeting** - no circuit books  
May 31 - **Fifth Tuesday meeting** - circuit books  
June 7 - **Regular meeting** - circuit books from May  
July 5 - **Regular meeting** - no circuit books  
July 16 - **Saturday meeting** - circuit books  
August 2 - **Regular meeting** - no circuit books  
August 30 - **Fifth Tuesday meeting** - circuit books  
September 6 - **Regular meeting** - circuit books from August  
October 4 - **Regular meeting** – Live Auction – no circuit books  
October 15 - **Saturday meeting** - circuit books  
November 1 - **Regular meeting** - no circuit books  
November 29 - **Fifth Tuesday meeting** - circuit books  
December 6 - **Regular meeting** - Holiday Dinner Party

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## The Year Ahead

Last month, Jim Pettway gave us a glimpse of the many opportunities we will have to meet and pursue our philatelic interests at KPS events this year. His proposal, approved by the Board and KPS membership, spreads out our 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and Saturday meetings, and allows us to have double the number of meetings with different APS Circuit Sales books. Jim also reports that 62% of KPS members took advantage of the 20% discount renewal for 2011, a great idea proposed by Ralph Dinwiddie.

This spring, at Knoxpex 2011, we will be one of the first shows in the country to commemorate events of the American Civil War. Yes, our recognition of the Knoxville Confederate provisional stamps predates that event by about four months, but it's never too soon to recognize such an important event. At this month's KPS meeting, Bruce Roberts will give a talk about provisional stamps issued by several Tennessee cities in mid-1861.

The USPS begins its Civil War commemoration with stamps depicting the battles of Fort Sumter and 1<sup>st</sup>



Manassas (Bull Run) on April 12. These will both be "forever" stamps, usable in perpetuity for the prevailing 1 ounce domestic letter rate – which may increase to 45 cents this year. We're standing by to see what we need for Knoxpex cachets!

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and are now ready to get back to our favorite hobby. I was fortunate to receive a hardbound copy of **Scott's 2011 Classic Specialized Catalogue of Stamps & Covers 1840 to 1940**, with all its color photos, as a Christmas gift. I have an extensive worldwide collection, in addition to my precancels, which I keep in my Minkus Global Supreme Albums – now close to 20 volumes. Since I don't have space to add many more albums, I stopped ordering yearly supplements and added blank pages for new stamps as I acquire them. My next task will be to mark up my new catalog so I can track down the missing stamps I need.

Has anyone found the new forever lady liberty and American flag coil stamps? My local post office in Halls finally got the Ashton Potter version. Since there are three printers, there are three different varieties of the coil pair. The easy way to tell them apart is by plate number – Ashton Potter has a P before the number, Avery Dennison has a V and Sennett Security Products has an S. Otherwise, you can recognize them by perforations and micro printings. While visiting in MD, I went to the local post office and was informed that the postmaster was waiting until after Christmas to order the stamps. I could go to the U S Postal Museum and hopefully find all the varieties, but that would cost \$3.00 for parking plus \$5.00 in metro fares to get there. I'll probably order them from the Philatelic Agency and pay a \$1.00 handling fee. The post office has a funny way of merchandising the items they highly publicize!

Finally, I apologize for the confusion and cancellation of our Saturday meeting in January. We will publish an updated list of Saturday meetings soon. The success of these meetings has shown that there is a real interest from those who cannot attend our Tuesday meetings.

*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – September 7, 2010

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, January 4, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 15 members and guest present.

Prior to the business meeting Tom Broadhead introduced our special guest speaker, Dr. Joan Lynsky Markel. She is Education Director and Civil War Curator at UT's McClung Museum and is chair of the Knox County Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission. She gave a fascinating presentation on "Knoxville's Civilian War – The Face of Conflict 1861 – 1865."

After the program, the business meeting was called to order by Vice President Tom Ringenbach. The minutes of the December meetings were approved as presented in the newsletter. Thomas Lane submitted the treasurer's report for inclusion in the minutes. The current club accounts total \$9,064.57. The club CD will be renewed in mid-January. An additional \$500 will be added to the CD balance at renewal. The CD will then total approximately \$3,500. A very low interest rate is anticipated on the renewal.

The main item discussed in business meeting was upcoming Knoxpex:

- Knoxpex will be held March 5-6 at the Holiday Inn Knoxville West on Cedar Bluff Road.
- In conjunction with the Civil War Sesquicentennial, this year's theme will be the "Knoxville Postmasters Provisionals" from that era.
- Show notices have been placed in the *American Philatelist* and *Linn's Stamp News*.

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- Tom Broadhead is working on a Zazzle custom stamp and cancellation for Knoxpex. Due to tight January time constraints, Tom is authorized to use his judgment on decisions related to these items.
- Ralph Dinwiddie will develop the cachet design.
- Roy Row will prepare the auction catalogue.
- Bruce Roberts will chair the exhibits and is in need of entries for the show.
- Jim Pettway reported several dealers are set for Knoxpex and he is trying to arrange 4-5 more.

Jim Pettway reported that 50+ renewed their member-ship and paid dues for 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

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March 12-13 – Nashville Stamp Show 2011, Music Valley Event Center, 2416 Music Valley Dr., Nashville, TN 37214

March 29 - Fifth Tuesday meeting, swap, chat, and browse a new group of APS Circuit Sales books

April 5 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA. APS Circuit Sales books from the March 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting.

## Stamp of the Month

This month's stamp, courtesy of Mike Kauffman, is the 10 cent US air mail stamp (Scott C7) of 1926. It is important as the first US stamps to bear the inscription "Air Mail," and was issued on February 13, 1926, only two days before its use on the first Contract Air Mail (CAM) flight, which was between Detroit and Cleveland. The contractor was the Ford Motor Company's "Ford Air Transport" division, and that route is known as CAM 6..

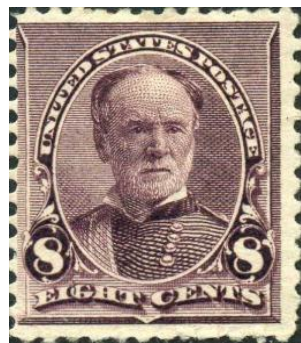


# Civil War Personalities – The Military

By Tom Broadhead

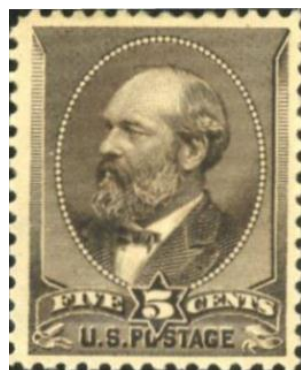
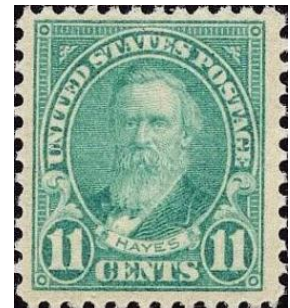
Planning a review of Civil War related stamps, I poured over the Scott Catalog and checked the internet. Many US stamps of the late 19<sup>th</sup> Century featured people well known in Civil War history. Top amongst those are Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant, and William T. Sherman. But there are others less widely known, including Presidents James A. Garfield, Rutherford B. Hayes, Benjamin Harrison, and William McKinley. In this article, I'll share a few stamp images of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries – imagine putting together a collection or exhibit related to the Civil War. The web site [www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov) has official biographical sketches of all of our Presidents.

The person most identified with the Union military is Ulysses S. Grant, born in Ohio and appointed to command a unit of Illinois militia, and achieving the rank of brigadier general in September 1861. Grant's military successes at Forts Henry and Donelson in Tennessee and Vicksburg earned him successive promotions until President Lincoln appointed him to be General-in-Chief in 1864. Grant received the Confederate surrender from Robert E. Lee at Appomattox Courthouse on April 9, 1865. He was elected President in 1868 and reelected in 1872. Grant died in 1885, and first appeared on a US stamp in 1890 (Scott 223, at right). He has appeared on many subsequent issues through the Presidential (Prexy) series of the 1930's.



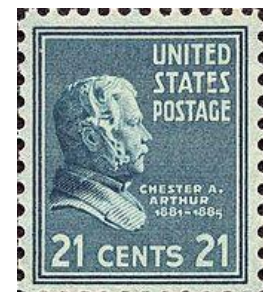
William Tecumseh Sherman was also an Ohioan and, under Grant's direction, led the scorched earth march from Atlanta to the sea. Sherman was involved in fighting from the beginning of the war, and in 1863 was named brigadier general. He continued to rise in rank, and succeeded Grant as General-in-Chief upon Grant's election as President. Sherman died in 1891, and is first seen on a stamp in 1893 (Scott 225, at left).

One of our many Presidents, whose name is not a household word, is Rutherford B. Hayes. A native of Ohio, Hayes was wounded in action and earned the rank of brevet major general. While in the army, he was nominated for Congress, but declined to campaign, owing to his military responsibilities. He finally entered Congress in December 1865, and later served three terms as governor of Ohio (1867-1876). As President he made good on promises to reconcile northern and southern interests and, as promised, did not run for reelection in 1880. Hayes was first recognized on a stamp in 1922 (Scott 563, at right).



Although Grant and Sherman are commonly the mostly widely recognized Union military leaders, the distinction of being the first Civil War general to be recognized on a US stamp goes to James A. Garfield. Yet another Ohioan, Garfield had become a brigadier general in 1862, and soon after was elected to Congress and persuaded by President Lincoln to resign his commission. After serving 18 years in Congress, Garfield was elected President in 1880, having defeated another Civil War general, Winfield Scott Hancock. Several months later, he was shot and after two and a half months, died. The Garfield stamp (Scott 205C, at left) was issued in April 1882. Like Grant, Garfield also appeared on several stamps through the Prexy series of the 1930's.

Garfield was succeeded in 1881 as President by his Vice President, Chester A. Arthur. Born in Vermont, Arthur was not a Civil War combat veteran, but had served as Quartermaster General for the State of New York during the war. Having lost popularity within the Republican Party, Arthur was not nominated in 1884 to run for a full term, and he died in 1886. The first stamp depicting the 21<sup>st</sup> President is the 21 cent value of the 1838 Presidential (Prexy) series (Scott 826, at right).



**To be continued – next month**

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, February 1

## Local Civil War Observances

By Tom Broadhead

At the January KPS meeting, we were treated to a fascinating talk by Dr. Joan Lynsky Markel, chair of the Knox County Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission. She introduced us to many well-known Knoxville families, especially the McClungs, who were prominent civic leaders and active participants in the war.



There will be many opportunities to hear Dr. Markel speak on a wide range of topics. She shares with us that UT's "McClung Museum is committed to informing and educating the university and the community about the course of those four punishing years here in East Tennessee. For over three years, our newest permanent exhibit, **The Battle of Fort Sanders**, as well as our award winning documentary, **Its Memory Alone Remains**, have been disseminating the story of the experiences of people of our area and the thousands of soldiers from all over the country who fought and died here."

This spring, the McClung Museum offers a free lecture series on the Civil War in Knoxville. Dr. Markel, the museum's Civil War Curator, will present four illustrated lectures. Programs will be on Sunday afternoons from 2-3 pm in the Museum auditorium, free and open to the public.

January 23 – "Civil War Maps of East Tennessee and the Genius of Orlando Poe"

February 20 – "Knoxville's Civilian War - A Community Caught Up in Catastrophe"

March 20 – "When War Came to Town – Civil War Military Events in Knoxville—1861-1865"

April 10 – "Cemeteries, Markers and Memorials - How Knoxville Commemorates the Civil War Past"

## Last Chance to Buy before Knoppex – Regency Mega-Lots

By Bruce Roberts

Here are the remaining, consolidated lots from Regency. New minimum bids will be what lots will start at in February. If more than one person wants a lot we will have a live mini-auction. Any lots not purchased at the February meeting will go to the Knoppex auction for sale at no minimum bid. We need less than \$100 to have all the money back from the purchase.

US 19<sup>th</sup> Century Lot. 2009 Scott Catalog value \$841.00. February minimum bid \$85.00

US Plate Blocks, #372 & #755 MNH. Catalog value \$439.00. February minimum bid \$75.00

US, US BOB, US Possessions & UN lot. Catalog value \$417.65. February minimum bid \$50.00

Belgium MNH lot. Catalog Value \$59.75. February minimum bid \$8.00

British Commonwealth lot. including Canada. Catalog Value \$635.15. February minimum bid \$50.00

German Area lot. Catalog Value \$301.20. February Minimum Bid \$20.00

Great Britain lot. Catalog Value \$902.00. February Minimum Bid \$45.00

General Foreign Lot. Catalog Value \$122.00. February Minimum Bid \$15.00

As you can see, if we sell all of these at the minimum next month the club will make a modest profit and our members will have gotten full benefit of the purchase.

## Are You Ready for Knoppex 2011?

Many volunteers will be needed to help make our show a success. Come to the February KPS meeting and sign up for show needs: exhibit frame put up and take down, staffing the club table, helping with the auction, and many more important jobs. And, don't forget to attend the show!

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## The Zazzle Fizzle

For quite some time we have optimistically thought that we would be able to have photo stamps printed with an image of the Knoxville 5c provisional stamp for our Knoxpex cachets. The morning after the last meeting, I placed an order with Zazzle.com. The next day, I received the disappointing news that the design had been rejected because “We are sorry, but we are



unable to process your Zazzle.com order due to a conflict with one or more of our acceptable content guidelines.” Below that, it said that “Design emulates a form of valid indicia or payment for postage, or is a reproduction of any postage or stamp issued by the

United States Postal Service at any time. Design incorporates material that is primarily partisan or political in nature.” Curiously, neither of those is mentioned in the “acceptable content guidelines.”

My next try was one that removed the value from the center of the image and removed the word “confederate” – maybe they thought that was too political. I encountered the same response, although they dropped the “political” objection. At this writing, we are completely up in the air about stamps to use on our cachets. But, all that drama aside, Knoxpex 2011 will be a great show, with some new and familiar dealers, awesome exhibits, and the great opportunity for us to see each other.



## President’s Column

This is the month we look forward to all year! As we prepare for KNOXPEX 2011, I am always impressed with the good old Tennessee Volunteerism. Most of our members take an active part in the planning, exhibiting, auctions, show cachet and cancel, set up and tear down, and most importantly in attending KNOXPEX. We have a very appropriate theme for the show this year in the Knoxville Confederate Provisionals, our city’s unique contribution to the postal history of our country and the confederacy. I hope that everyone will take the time to view the exhibits of the provisional stamps and get a better understanding of how important it is to keep the mail service going during periods of war and disruption. Some unique items will be on display, and this is a rare opportunity to see them. Don’t forget we will have a USPS sales table on Saturday and, hopefully, they will have some of the newer forever stamps that our local branches don’t seem to get anymore!

We need a good attendance at the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting to help make final preparations – the more hands, the quicker we will finish. We will do some last minute signups for the registration table, security, frame assembly and disassembly, and auction set up and operations. These activities will replace our usual program but, have no fear because we have five Tuesdays in March, with a second meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup>. We will have a swap, buy, sell and social session along with the APS circuit books to entertain us.

My sincere thanks in advance to all those who have been working hard to make KNOXPEX 2011 a success. As good club members let’s all wear our KPS logo shirts and be good hosts and hostesses to our dealers and visitors as well. I have worn mine to several stamp shows and have gotten favorable comments. It never hurts to advertise a product that you believe in wholeheartedly!

Tom Broadhead

Stu Hanlein

## **Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – September 7, 2010**

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, February 1, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 18 members present.

President Stu Hanlein called the meeting to order at 7:00, and Jo Mynatt took minutes. Thomas Lane reported that progress is being made on our 501c7 tax status and that our accounts currently hold \$9136.38.

In Knoxpex news, Thomas reported for bourse chair Jim Pettway that we are still looking for two dealers. Tom Broadhead said that he would order the Zazzle photo stamps the next day, at a price of \$15.95 per sheet of 20. He also reported that there will be widespread press publicity. Roy Row will be away on church work in Romania, and Tom reported (mistakenly) that Jim Pettway would handle the auction catalog. Bruce Roberts told us about the exciting exhibits of Confederate stamps and postal history, including the rare opportunity to see actual examples of Tennessee postmaster provisionals. Stu indicated that the club would cover the cost for additional insurance for these.

Stu announced that the schedule of Saturday meetings will be revised and published. The next Saturday meeting will be April 16.

Russ Haese raised the question about the actual beginning time of KPS meetings. It was voted to have gathering and trading beginning at 6:30 pm, if the room is available. The meeting will begin at

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7:00, with the program planned for 7:30

A motion by Jim Pettway to make Bill Muenzer an Honorary Life Member was accepted by acclamation.

Following the business meeting, Bruce Roberts presented a program, “The Origins of Tennessee Confederate Provisional Stamps of 1861.” His excellent presentation was a timely one related to the theme of our upcoming Knoxpex 2011.

The meeting concluded after the program, and we dismissed to a rainy parking lot.

Submitted: Jo Mynatt, Acting Secretary

## **KPS Shirt Logo Opportunity!!**

Thomas Lane reports that members who bring him shirts for the KPS embroidered logo at the March 1 meeting will be able to get them at Knoxpex to wear at the show.

## **Upcoming Events**

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs - [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events).

March 1 – KPS monthly meeting – Program: Final preparations for Knoxpex 2011.

March 5-6 – Knoxpex 2011 – Holiday Inn Knoxville West, 304 North Cedar Bluff Rd.

March 12-13 – Nashville Stamp Show 2011, Music Valley Event Center, 2416 Music Valley Dr., Nashville, TN 37214

March 29 - Fifth Tuesday meeting, swap, chat, and browse a new group of APS Circuit Sales books

April 5 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA. APS Circuit Sales books from the March 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting.

April 16 – KPS special Saturday meeting. Peace Lutheran Church – 621 North Cedar Bluff Rd., Knoxville 37923 – Program TBA. APS Circuit Sales books.

## **Stamp of the Month**

This month’s stamp, purchased by Tom Broadhead last month at AmeriStamp Expo, is the 1¼ cent definitive (Scott 1031a) of the Liberty Series, showing the Palace of the Governors (built ca. 1610) in Santa Fe, NM. It was issued on June 17, 1960 to pay the bulk mail rate for non-profit organizations. It was also issued the same day in vertical coil format (Scott 1054a).

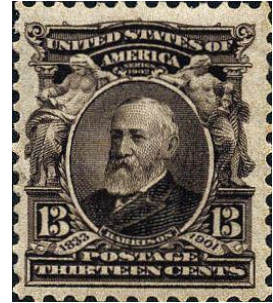


## Civil War Personalities – The Military – Part 2

By Tom Broadhead

Last month, I began a series on Civil War personalities on stamps. It will take a few months to complete this, but there will be some articles coming up from other KPS members. Bear with me. My first installment of this series included Presidents who had served in the military of the Union armies during the Civil War, and I am starting here where I left off.

The next President who served was Benjamin Harrison, who continued what had been an amazing tradition of Ohio-born post-war presidents. Harrison served as a colonel of a volunteer infantry, moving to Indiana and entering politics there after the war. His first depiction on a U.S. stamp was the 13 cent value (Scott 308, at right) of the 1902 series, which I think is the most spectacularly beautiful definitive issue of the U.S. That series also included stamps of previously shown presidents who had served in the Civil War, Grant and Garfield. Note that Harrison's birth and death years, 1833-1901, appear in scrollwork below the portrait. Issued only a year after his death, this stamp, with its black color, could be considered a memorial.



But, another Union hero, our own Admiral David G. Farragut, also appeared in that series of stamps. Holding a distinctive place of honor, Farragut is shown on the one dollar value (Scott 311 at left). Farragut's birthplace, near Campbell Station in west Knox County, has been a subject for historical preservationists in 2010. A stone monument at the site was dedicated by Admiral George Dewey (of Spanish American War fame) in 1900, but little more has been done locally to honor Farragut. More information about his birthplace and efforts to further recognize it may be found at "Preserve Farragut's Birthplace" – [www.farragutbirthplace.blogspot.com](http://www.farragutbirthplace.blogspot.com).

But, what about Grover Cleveland? He had been drafted during the Civil War, but took advantage of the prevailing law, which allowed men to "hire" substitutes for their military service. Cleveland was a distinguished civil servant throughout, but did not serve in the military.

That brings us to William McKinley, the last President to serve in the Civil War, and the last of the 19<sup>th</sup> century



presidents from Ohio. McKinley enlisted as a private in the Union Army and rose to the rank of brevet major of volunteers at war's end. Although his first image on a U.S. stamp was the five cent value (Scott 326 at left) of the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition series, the rare 1901 "Full-Face" McKinley postcard appeared soon after his assassination. The poor



quality image of McKinley on this card (notable at right) resulted in a cancellation of the printing contract. Later, common McKinley postal cards show his profile.

I'll wrap up this article with words about one of the most important pre-war and wartime personalities – John



Charles Fremont. Born in Georgia, Fremont was an ardent abolitionist, and after helping secure California for the U.S., became one of its first senators. In 1856, Fremont was the Republican party's first presidential candidate, losing to James Buchanan. During the war, Lincoln appointed him major general, but his lack of success in the field and challenges to Lincoln resulted in demotion, after which he left the army. Fremont was shown on the five cent value of the 1898 Trans-Mississippi commemorative series (Scott 288, at left).

**To be continued**

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, March 1

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## What's for Sale at Knoxpex

By Jim Pettway – Bourse Chair

Check our great list of dealers and contact any about your special interests before the show.

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740-592-2960  
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Huntsville, AL 35804-0384  
256-536-7785  
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### **The Classic Philatelist**

Warren Manning  
Crossville, TN  
U.S. Classic to 1940, Philatelic Literature, Postal History, U.S. Covers

## A Once in a Lifetime Opportunity

By Bruce Roberts – Exhibits Chair

Knoxpex 2011 will feature great exhibits by KPS members, but also a "Court of Honor" that will feature some gems of Civil War philately. Prominent collectors from Virginia and North Carolina have generously lent us examples of rare Confederate provisionals from Knoxville and North Carolina. There will also be a few items from my own collection that help to demonstrate the development of postal service during 1861. Come feast your eyes!

## Are You Ready for Knoxpex 2011?

Check KPS president, Stu Hanlein's letter on page 1 of the newsletter for a sample list of volunteer needs. Thanks go to Mark Mitckes, who is compiling the catalog for the live auction, which will be Saturday evening, March 6. Don't pass up that fun opportunity to add to your collection.

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, April 5**



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## A Little Travel

The first two weeks of each month are when I usually work on assembling the next issue of KPS News. Not so this month. Immediately after the dust settled on Knoxpex, I had to shift into high gear to prepare for a 10 day trip to southern Asia as a representative of The University of Tennessee in a large student recruiting tour that was sponsored by EducationUSA, a program of the U.S. State Department. My involvement included visits, along with representatives of 10 other US universities, to Bangladesh, Nepal, and Sri Lanka – together with airport transfer stops in Chicago, Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates) and Delhi (India). In addition to meeting more than 2,000 prospective undergraduate and graduate students, I had hoped to visit a post office or two to obtain stamps for the KPS Newsletter.

Our group was kept busy most days from 8:30 am until 8:00 pm with briefings and meetings with students. In nine days, we had a total of 4 hours for visiting tourist sites and shopping.



Although I purchased a few stamps from a street vendor in Kathmandu, Nepal (paying about 3 times Scott catalog value), the closest I came to my philatelic goal was taking a picture of a mail box in Colombo, Sri Lanka. But, it was a great experience telling our prospects

that the US has the best higher education system in the world. More later – maybe a program.

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

I am still excited about the successful KNOXPEX 2011 show held by KPS on March 5-6. I was especially proud of the way so many club members stepped forward and helped out with the preparations and operation of the show. We are fortunate to be in an area where we have the real *VOLUNTEER* spirit. I want to thank all of our volunteers on behalf of the club. I know I am taking a risk here but I want to single out a few people for above and beyond help. **Bruce Roberts** introduced us to the Knoxville provisional stamps at our last meeting and acquired the spectacular display of the original stamps from Peter Powell to display in our Court of Honor, in addition to other items of postal history of this period from Tony Crumbley (North Carolina) and his own Arkansas material. Bruce also handled the exhibits from our own club members which were on display. **Tom Broadhead** planned the theme of the show with valiant attempts to reproduce the Knoxville provisional stamps, which Zazzle refused to print because they maintained that they cannot print a US stamp (which we know is ridiculous since the provisionals are not recognized US stamps). Tom also kept in contact with the Knoxville **USPS** to assure their support for the show which was appreciated. Then **Tom and Bruce** combined as our club auctioneers to conduct the Club Auction in a timely manner.

**Ralph Dinwiddie** produced a spectacular show cachet design, both sides no less! **Randy & Russ Haese** kept new collectors and kids occupied with a table increasingly full of stamps. They even had half the club searching for flowers on stamps for **Charles Stinnett's** granddaughter, who later attended the auction and became our youngest known lot purchaser! Charles not only helped with the set up of displays but brought his family back for the auction. **Pat Goebel** and **Mike Kauffman** kept their eyes on the displays and auction lots as security officers. (For everyone who attended the *(continued on page 4)*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – March 1, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 20 members present. The business meeting was called to order by President Stu Hanlein at 7:00 PM.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as presented in the newsletter except the heading date was incorrect. Thomas Lane submitted the treasurer's report. The current club accounts total \$9,945.65. KPS received a letter dated February 17, 2011 granting the club "tax exempt" status.

Tom Broadhead presented a status report for the upcoming KNOXPEX show, including programs, auction, promotions, exhibits, bourse, and security. Bruce Roberts discussed the exhibits and circulated the "actual" Knoxville and Chattanooga Confederate provisional stamps, which will be the focus of the exhibits. Members were asked to help and participate in the weekend's events.

Bruce Roberts and Thomas Lane will attend the Regency stamp auction on behalf of KPS at the upcoming St. Louis Stamp Expo March 18 – 20. Bruce asked for members input on their interest in auction lots. Tom Ringebach said the program for the April meeting will be a show & tell: What I Found at KNOXPEX. Tom Broadhead, Bruce Roberts, Gerald Schroedl, Thomas Lane and Jim Cate entered a team exhibit at the APS AmeriStamp Expo 2011 in Charleston, SC, February 11 – 13. Their exhibits showed well. At the show Tom found

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a cover and letter from 1835 from president of the then East Tennessee University --- now UT. Bruce Roberts found an Arkansas CSA cover dated January 1865 to add to his extensive collection.

The club passed a resolution to contribute \$25.00 to the current APS fund raising activities. KPS was asked to second nominations for upcoming APS board position. Without knowledge of any candidate we declined. There will be a 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting on March 29. A board meeting will also take place that evening.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## Show & Tell at the April Meeting

Here's your chance to show off a choice stamp or cover you purchased from a dealer or the auction at Knoxpex 2011. Come and share your discovery.

## Upcoming Events

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April 5 – KPS monthly meeting – Program will be "What I Found at Knoxpex," a show and tell. APS Circuit Sales books from the March 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting. **Also, there will be nominations for KPS officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two directors).**

April 16 – KPS special Saturday meeting. Peace Lutheran Church – 621 North Cedar Bluff Rd., Knoxville 37923 – Program TBA. APS Circuit Sales books.

May 3 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA.

May 31 – KPS 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting. Board meeting at 6:00, followed by swap and shop with APS Circuit Sales books and lots from the Neal Henderson collection.

## Stamp of the Month

This month's stamp is an example from the 1982 state birds and flowers sheet of 20 cent stamps (Scott 1953-2002 or 1953A-2002A). Check your example to see if it is perforated 10½ x 11¼ - the



first group, or 11¼ x 11 – the second group. The example shown here is 1994 or 1994A – the Tennessee stamp, showing a mockingbird and group of iris. Two sheets of these stamps, with, were part of a donation of albums given by an anonymous donor.

# Knoxpex 2011 Album

Photos from the camera of Stu Hanlein

The first weekend in March saw another successful Knoxpex stamp show made possible by the efforts of many KPS members. Here are just a few scenes.



Jim Pettway and Randy Haese talked with some new visitors, while Pat Goebel staffed the welcome table, and Mike Kauffman and Charlie Wade viewed the exhibits.



Stu Hanlein presented a door prize to Lisa Lyford, while new dealer Warren Manning looked on. Harry Brooks and Tom Broadhead examined Tom's presentation of Peter Palmer's Knoxville provisional stamps.



Bruce Roberts held them high as an auctioneer, while Charles Stinnett, Thomas Lane, and Jo Mynatt kept track of the bidding.



# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, April 5

## President's Column *(continued from page 1)*

auction, the missing lot was found adrift in the bourse room, much to the relief of Dale Kangas.) The success of the auction was due to the cooperation and advance preparations of the membership in getting their lots in early so the lion's share of the processing was done on Friday. Thanks to **Mark Mitckes** for preparing the auction catalog and lot stickers and to **Charlie Wade** and **Jim Pettway** and the crew for assisting in getting the lots organized. I especially appreciated the assistance from **Pat Goebel** and **Harry Brooks** as runners during the auction – my sciatica appreciated their help. The auction bookkeeping was handled skillfully by **Thomas Lane** and **Jo Mynatt**, so we were able to clear the building at a reasonable hour.

The registration table was ably managed by committee: **Tom Ringenbach**, **Pat Goebel**, **Jo Mynatt**, **Ron Mynatt**, **Ralph Dinwiddie**, **Rich Kaplan**, **Thomas Lane**, **Dave Warfel**, and others. **Thomas Lane** did a fine job as our treasurer in coming back on Sunday afternoon and paying the sellers with checks mailed to those who did not come back that day. I give a special thanks to **Jim Pettway** who, in addition to chairing the bourse and keeping the dealers happy, helped out in just about every area of the show. **Jim** has also been the "glue" in keeping us all informed via the Internet during the past several years. I thank the dealers who supported our show – our success in part depends on their success. The club appreciates all the people who made donations of lots for the auction to benefit the club. If I omitted anyone, I apologize in advance, but I do want to thank all those who made KNOXPEX 2011 such a success. We will have a critique of the show at our regular meeting in April.

I got several favorable comments on the club members wearing their shirts with the logos on them at the show. You can still get them done--contact Thomas Lane. I personally recommend getting both a long sleeve and short sleeve shirt to cover all seasons!

One sad note for the club – Bruce Kenny, one of the first people I met when I joined 11 years ago, and an enthusiastic supporter of this club, will be moving away from Knoxville to Arizona. Bruce has graciously stored our show exhibit frames in his garage for many years. We are looking for a place to store these and other KPS materials, and Bruce Roberts is investigating commercial storage sites.

Please contact Bruce Roberts if you can help. KPS wishes the Kenny family the best in their new home and know that Bruce will find a new stamp club to support soon! We will miss you but not forget you!

Our next Saturday special meeting will be at 1:00 pm on April 16<sup>th</sup> – two days before we have to pay our taxes! What better time to celebrate and relax with your stamps. That day, we will meet at Dale Kangas's church, Peace Lutheran, 621 N. Cedar Bluff Road in Knoxville.

Now we can all start to plan for KNOXPEX 2012 to be an even bigger and better show. Thanks again to all the KPS VOLUNTEERS,

*Stu Hanlein*

## A Great Stamp Purchase Opportunity

By Bruce Roberts

This is the time of the year when Thomas Lane and I have headed up to St. Louis to purchase auction lots at the Regency Stamp Auction. We were set to go, with authorization to spend up to \$2500 on behalf of the club, but then an unusual opportunity presented itself at Knoxpex 2011.

Former KPS president Neal Henderson (below) came to the show, and in addition to being a door prize winner brought to my attention his intent to sell his personal stamp collection. This gave us the unusual opportunity to purchase an outstanding and diverse collection, while saving KPS the cost of travel to St. Louis.



The purchase was made with approval from the KPS board, and I have been working up parts of Neal's collection. The first showing and purchase opportunity was at the March 29, 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting, and there will be many future opportunities for members to make purchases, mostly at 10% to 20% of catalog value. This is another great reason not to miss our monthly 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and Saturday meetings. Look for more information and surprises from Neal's collection.

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, May 3**



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## Some Glad and Some Sad

Spring is my favorite time of the year for working in the yard and waiting to see what plants “made it through the winter. I am an avid gardener and yard-worker. In 2007, The Netherlands issued a sheetlet of stamps with flower seeds embedded in the paper and covered with a thin, peelable plastic layer to protect them (from sprouting in the mail!).



Here are a couple of stamps from the sheet – I think I’ll try to find some and plant them.

This spring has also been a sad time for KPS, as we have lost two great members. The photo below was taken at the 2009 holiday dinner, showing Forrest Conklin on the left and Lillard Harvey on the right.



We have all been fortunate to know these fine gentlemen and will miss them. Read more about them on page 4.

**Tom Broadhead**

## President’s Column

The past year has been a great one for the Knoxville Philatelic Society. Your officers and directors made obtaining stamps for our membership priority #1. We sent Bruce Roberts and Thomas Lane to major stamp auctions to bid on items of interest to our members. We receive APS circuit books, thanks to Jim Pettway. Our club has been the beneficiary of several collections, which have been organized through the efforts mainly of Russ and Randy Haese. (I have been fortunate to find a few precancels!) Former KPS president, Neal Henderson, sold us his collection so our auction buyers could stay at home.

Our second priority has been to have 4 Saturday meetings to engage members who cannot attend our regular Tuesday meetings. We have been to Powell, Maryville, UT, and West Knoxville for recent ones. It is gratifying to hear comments from the attendees who appreciate that their club cares about them.

Our big event this year was Knorpex 2011, which turned a small profit, allowing us to sponsor the above mentioned activities. Knorpex 2012 will be our major endeavor for the coming year, and I sincerely ask all members to volunteer in some way to make this a success.

Our total membership has stayed constant around 80. But, we lost two dear members in the last month – Forest Conklin and Lillard Harvey. We will honor them for their dedication to KPS with a donation to the American Philatelic Society in their names.

The May meeting is election night for our club. The slate can be found elsewhere in the bulletin, and nominations can be made from the floor. It has been a pleasure to serve this past year as KPS president.

**Stu Hanlein**

## **Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – April 5, 2011**

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church on Tuesday, April 5, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 18 present including guests, Harold Ek and Robert Row. President Stu Hanlein opened the meeting at 7:00.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved as presented in the newsletter. Thomas Lane submitted the treasurer's report, showing club accounts of \$6,826.49. A major expenditure in March was the purchase of the "Neal Henderson Collection" for \$2,500. Bruce Roberts is organizing the collection for sale to KPS members and other interested parties. KPS profit from Knoxpex 2011 is approximately \$900.

Stu Hanlein reviewed the recent board meeting. The board approved two items: purchase of the Henderson collection and facility location and cost for Knoxpex 2012. There was a recap of Knoxpex 2011. The Holiday Inn Cedar Bluff will again be the location of Knoxpex 2012 at a cost of \$2,321.66. The exhibit/show will be held March 3-4, 2012. Thomas Lane will sign the contract. Themes for Knoxpex 2012 were discussed, and a decision should be made by August to facilitate other planning. The club has secured a location for storage of the exhibit frames at \$48.25 per month. A free storage location is still needed. KPS appreciates Bruce Kenney's service in storing the frames over the past few years. A motion to contribute \$100 from the proceeds of Knoxpex 2011 to the APS was approved. Jim Pettway reported overall the dealers were satisfied with Knoxpex 2011.

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Past President and Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Ralph Dinwiddie, presented the following members for next year's officers;

- President – Stu Hanlein
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- Directors – Roy Row, Charles Stinnett, Dave Warfel

Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the May meeting. Election of officers will be at the May meeting.

A Saturday meeting will be held on April 16 at Peace Lutheran Church. "Show & Tell" from the recent Knoxpex acquisitions served as the monthly program.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## **In the News**

KPS Member Mark Mitckes was featured in the Knoxville News Sentinel on April 22, in an article highlighting his "collector's garden" of rare plants.

## **Upcoming Events**

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs - [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events).

May 3 – KPS monthly meeting – Program – Tom Broadhead will talk about stamps and history of Bangladesh.

May 7 – Holpex 2011 – Kingsport Civic Auditorium, 1550 Ft. Henry Dr., Kingsport, TN 37664, 10am-5pm.

May 31 – KPS 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting. Board meeting at 6:00, followed by swap and shop with APS Circuit Sales books and lots from the Neal Henderson collection.

June 7 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA.

July 5 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA.

## **Stamp of the Month**

This month's stamp is the 1961 Civil War Centennial stamp commemorating the attack on Fort Sumter (Scott 1178), issued on April 12, 1961. This year, the postal service has issued a se-tenant pair with a Fort Sumter and a Manassas battle stamp. These stamps remain from the group that Stu Hanlein found, which were used on Knoxpex 2011 cachets.



# My Civil War Heritage

By Charlie Wade

With the sesquicentennial of The Civil War, there will be issues of new US stamps. But stamps commemorating this period's events and heroes have been released since 1867 with the issue of the 15c Abraham Lincoln (Scott 77). Stamps can commemorate more than Civil War heroes, battles, and sites. In 1949 the United States honored veterans of both the Grand Army of the Republic (Scott 985) and the Confederacy (Scott 998). My heritage includes ancestors from both of these armies.



In the year 1861, in the small farming community of Chuck-a-luc, Tennessee, lived the Wade family and the Hart family. Among the citizens were my Great-great-grandfather Silas, William Wade and my Great-great-grandfather, John Hart. This was a close knit community with most residents attending the same churches and school and working together in the fields. But the drums of war brought division to this community and even to families.

Believing in the preservation of the union, Silas Wade (below left), along with his brothers William and James, enlisted in the US 3<sup>rd</sup> Tennessee Calvary. But the fourth brother Granville felt he should follow the direction of his state and joined the 43<sup>rd</sup> Tennessee Infantry of the Confederate States of America. Joining him in the 43<sup>rd</sup> was John Hart.



James Wade died at Stones River in Tennessee. The family's oral history indicated he died not of battle injuries but of measles. Both Silas and William were captured in the battle of Surfer Trestle in northern Alabama in 1864. They were sent to the Cahaba prison camp and held until near the end of the war. At that time, along with about 3,000 others, they marched to Vicksburg, Mississippi. There, in April 1865, they boarded the steamship *Sultana* for a trip to Ohio for discharge. But in the middle of the night of April 27, right outside Memphis, they survived the greatest maritime

disaster in US history (more lives lost than on the *Titanic*). Of almost 2000 passengers, only about 300 escaped, including both of the Wade brothers. After lengthy hospital stays they were discharged and walked home from Camp Chase, Ohio. Back in McMinn County they lived out their days with scars and deafness from the explosion and were buried at Tranquility Methodist Church (at right).



The 43<sup>rd</sup> Tennessee Infantry of the CSA was involved in minor skirmishes and ironically ended up in Vicksburg.



Years later, John Hart recounted sitting on a log with comrades on each side when an artillery round exploded. The soldiers on each side of him were killed and his coat was blown off, but he escaped without a scratch. Eventually after a Siege of Vicksburg the Confederate forces surrendered to General Ulysses S. Grant's forces. They were exchanged and rejoined the CSA forces. After the Confederate surrender at Appomattox Courthouse in April 1865 the 43<sup>rd</sup> accompanied CSA President Jefferson Davis (CSA Scott 1) as he tried to escape Union capture. Upon their unit's final surrender John Hart returned home, but Granville Wade was shunned by his family for fighting for the South and was forced to move to Middle Tennessee.

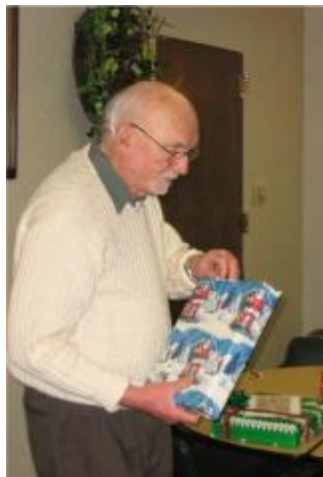
This is my heritage. With the sesquicentennial celebration stories like this from many, many families will be told preserving them for future generation.

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, May 3

## Lillard Q. Harvey

We lost our longtime member and friend Lillard Harvey on April 5. Lillard was an active collector of US stamps and had served several years as KPS treasurer. Like any good organization treasurer, he would not rest until the club's books were perfectly balanced.

His obituary in the Knoxville News Sentinel draws attention to the fact that he retired from TVA after 37 years of service, and that he had been the first three-term president of the Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union. Lillard served in the U.S. Army and was a Veteran of World War II. He received full military honors from the East Tennessee Veteran Honor Guard, and this very important and moving ceremony may be seen on the internet at <http://vimeo.com/georgecreek>. The video is titled "21 Gun" and was produced by Lillard's grandson.



As mentioned by Stu Hanlein in his president's column, a donation from KPS to the American Philatelic Society has been made in Lillard's honor. Members wishing to make contributions in his memory may donate to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria, VA 22312.

## Forrest Conklin

We lost our member, Dr. Forest Conklin on April 3. Forrest was an active member until illness kept him away from meetings a couple of years ago. He had many philatelic interests, including orchids (which he also grew) and joint issues of the US and other countries.

He was an ordained Baptist minister, who later earned a Ph.D. in speech and became a professor and debate coach, retiring from the University of Northern Iowa in



1997. He was an Eagle Scout and a veteran of the Navy Air Corps. After moving to Knoxville, Forrest was a volunteer at the East Tennessee Historical Society from 2000-2009, and was a lifelong student of history. He was a

recognized expert and author of several articles about William G. "Parson" Brownlow, the Civil War abolitionist newspaper editor of Knoxville and Tennessee governor and senator.

As mentioned by Stu Hanlein in his president's column, a donation from KPS to the American Philatelic Society has been made in Forrest's honor. Members wishing to make contributions in his memory may donate to the American Cancer Society.

## KPS Board Meeting – March 29

The Knoxville Philatelic Society officers and directors convened for the quarterly Board of Directors meeting at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church on Tuesday, March 29, 2011. President Stu Hanlein opened the meeting at 6:00.

The following business was discussed and appropriate action taken. KPS needs to locate a free or minimum cost storage location for exhibit frames. They will be temporarily housed in a rented space. Members gave a brief review of Knoxpex, including security, door prizes, dealers perceptions, attendance, financial results.

Club membership is about the same as last year with 80+ currently on the rolls. Attendance at Knoxpex was 112, down about 10% from last year. Election for club officers is scheduled for May with nominations presented at the April meeting. Past President, Ralph Dinwiddie is chairman of the nominating committee. Tom Ringenbach reported program is set for April meeting but program is needed for April 16 Saturday meeting and future meetings. helped out in just about every area of the show.

An expenditure of \$2,500 was approved for the purchase of the "Neal Henderson collection." Catalog value of this collection is in the range of \$50 – 60K. The Holiday Inn-Cedar Bluff was approved as the location for Knoxpex 2012 at the same rental cost. A motion and discussion on free youth membership was tabled. Table cost for dealers at Knoxpex 2012 was discussed but no action taken. Tom Broadhead suggested the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Girl Scouts as a possible theme for Knoxpex 2012. The board recognized and thanked Bruce Roberts for his efforts in securing and sorting the Henderson collection.

Submitted by Charlie Wade, Secretary

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, June 7**

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## A Great Day at Holpex

On Saturday morning, May 7, Stu Hanlein and I took a little trip up the interstate to Kingsport to attend Holpex, 2011 – the annual show of the Holston Stamp Club. The weather was beautiful, and Stu's GPS unit did a good job getting us there – announcing that we had arrived at our destination just seconds before our final turn.

We got there at 9:45, and although the show officially opened at 10, there were members there to greet us, and the dealers were ready. Of the four dealers, two have been at Knoxpex before. Not only did I have success buying covers from one, but I had a great time buying stamps from the other two, one from Chattanooga and the other a local club member – Paul Kuehn.

Stu settled in at Paul's table to search for precancels and stamps of Belgium from dozens of stock books featuring all stamps priced at 10¢. I soon joined him there and spent hours finding great stamps that I didn't realize I needed. We left when the show closed at 5:00.



Thanks go to HSC member Mike Chesman for the photo of (left to right) Paul Kuehn, me, George White and Stu in the exhibit area.

Many thanks for a great show to our fellow philatelists in the Tri-Cities area. We hope to see them at Knoxpex 2012 and Holpex 2012.

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

First, I would like to thank all of the officers who served KPS last year. We had a great team, and my hope is that we can continue in the same forward direction with our officers who were elected at our last meeting. Note that officers and board member meetings are at 6:00 pm on our 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meetings. Any member who wishes to sit in is always welcome. If you wish to make a request or bring something to the attention to the group, please join us on these 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday sessions.

Last month, Tom Broadhead and I attended Holston Stamp Club show. We were bedecked in our KPS logo shirts and were well received by Holston club members wearing their own club logo shirts. It really lets you see how many club members participate in an event like this when we do this, so again I will suggest everyone get a shirt in to Treasurer Thomas Lane to have the KPS logo embroidered on it--lighter colors show the logo better!

The show was well attended and had several exhibits, hourly door prizes, and give-aways for kids and new collectors. Also, Tom learned that Kansas & Nebraska overprinted US stamps were also precanceled locally from one of the exhibits at the show. Members of our club who attend other stamp shows should wear their KPS logo shirts, and let other groups know that we appreciate their attendance at our shows. It's a great way to enjoy the company of people who have a similar hobby interest. So let's plan on carpooling to the next show within driving distance!

Thanks again for reelecting our team of officers and the new board members. We all look forward to a great year with the continued emphasis on providing stamps for our members. VP Tom Ringenbach will be happy to hear from volunteers who would like to make a presentation at one of our forthcoming meetings to increase our knowledge of this wonderful hobby!

*Stu Hanlein*

## **Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – May 3, 2011**

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 25 members present. President Stu Hanlein presided. The minutes of the April meeting were approved once board approval for expenditure for Knoxpex display frames storage was noted. Thomas Lane submitted the treasurer's report which was approved. The current club accounts total \$6,775.55. KPS profit from Knoxpex 2011 was \$890.07. To date \$605.54 of the "Henderson Collection" have been sold to members.

Stu Hanlein presented a brief review of the April 16 Saturday meeting. It was deemed a success with 16 members attending. Themes for KNOXPEX 2012 were discussed. A decision should be made by soon to facilitate other planning. It was announced with sadness that member Lillard Harvey passed away. KPS sent a condolence card. A donation of \$25 will be made to the APS in honor of Lillard.

The following slate of officers for the next KPS year was approved by acclamation: President – Stu Hanlein, Vice President – Tom Ringenbach, Treasurer – Thomas Lane, Secretary – Charlie Wade, Directors – Roy Row, Charlie Stinnett & Dave Warfel.

Tom Ringenbach asked for volunteers to present programs for the next year. There were mentions of several free on-line stamp albums. Tom Broadhead asked anyone discovering a stamp related web-site to forward to him. He will compile a master list. Bruce Roberts gave an update on the processing of the

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Henderson Collection. Bruce will present the program for the Chattanooga stamp club in July. At this time, with approval of KPS, he will take the Net Price stamps from this collection to sell. The Holpex 2011 stamp show will be held in Kingsport this Saturday, May 7. KPS is entitled to one vote for APS officers. Because of limited knowledge of all candidates the club chose to vote for only those candidates in uncontested races. All APS members can vote individually.

Following the business meeting Tom Broadhead presented the month's program. He told of his recent trip to Southern Asia and time spent in Bangladesh. He related this nation's social, economic, and political history using stamps as the background.

There will be a 5th Tuesday KPS meeting on May 31 and the next regular business meeting will be June 7.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## **In the News**

Check out Tom Broadhead's new stamp videos on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com). Do a search for tomwb50 and see his latest additions dealing with "The Aquarium" and with "Indigenous Peoples of the World."

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August 30 – KPS 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting. Board meeting at 6:00, followed by swap and shop with APS Circuit Sales books and lots from the Neal Henderson collection.

## **Stamp of the Month**

June's stamp is the 4 forint value of the 1943 Christmas issue of Hungary. It was produced during World War II and preceded by just 3 years the most horrific hyperinflationary period in world history. In selecting this from the many donated by Mike Kauffman, I didn't realize that it was a Christmas stamp until I scanned it! So, in this hot weather, think cool thoughts.



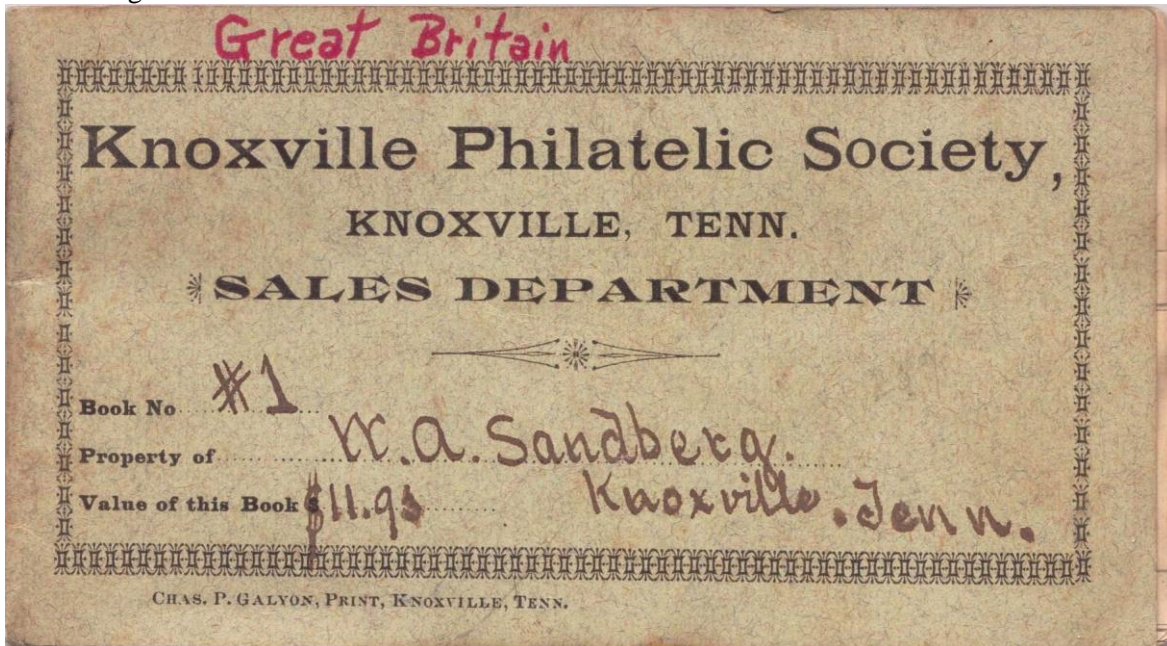


## A Knoxville Philatelic Society Treasure

By Tom Broadhead

The purchase of the personal collection of former KPS president, Neal Henderson, has been a great opportunity for club members to acquire some great stamps. Bruce Roberts continues to process the collection, and each KPS meeting brings new and wonderful stamps to purchase. At the first meeting after the purchase of the collection, I was handed this wonderful piece of Knoxville Philatelic Society memorabilia, and it has been an enjoyable study.

Remember that an organization by the same name existed in the late 1800's, and its publication, *The Home Worker*, appeared in print for more than four years. (See the article by Jim Pettway in the August 2010 KPS Newsletter). It seems as though the Knoxville Philatelic Society of the late 19<sup>th</sup> century was very active, as we are today. They even had their own circuit sales books! Here is the front cover – at actual size – of this 12-page booklet, bound at the left with a string.



Notice that it provides all the essential information – the book number, name of the owner, topic (Great Britain) and value (\$11.93). I couldn't find Sandberg on the internet or in *The Home Worker* articles in Jim's KPS article. However, note the small print at the bottom of the page, "Chas. P. Galyon, Print, Knoxville, Tenn." I searched for Charles Galyon and found on the web page of the *Bibliography of Philatelic Periodicals*, by Brian J. Birch (2010) - <http://hps.gr/fipliterature/boip.PDF> - that Galyon was the publisher of *The Home Worker*. That site further indicates that *The Home Worker* merged with *The Tennessee Philatelist*, becoming *The Tennessee Philatelist and Home Worker*, which he did not publish, in 1898. That publication apparently failed after only three issues.



The booklet is loaded with 92 stamps. Ninety of those are postage stamps, listed in the Scott Catalog. One is a pen-cancelled revenue stamp, and one is a cut out from a pre-stamped wrapper. Here, slightly reduced is a scan of page 1 of the circuit booklet. British stamps of the period included in the book (1841-1887) sometimes are valued based on plate number, which appears as part of the design of many stamps. Although the quality of these and others is not "very fine," the 2008 Scott catalog value of these ten stamps is \$1,355. (Wait! There's more on page 4.)

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Determining the age of this circuit book is a challenge. I believe that it was probably from the late 1890's, although the most recent stamps are those of the 1887 Queen Victoria Golden Jubilee issue. That was the last group of British stamps produced before her death in 1901, after which the new Edward VII stamps appeared. So, the possible time range is 1887 until 1901. Some of the individual stamps have catalog values of a few hundreds of dollars, and the lowest is \$2.25. The highest valued stamp is Scott 69, the 4 pence vermilion of 1873, cataloging at \$450 – and there are five copies on the page. The best quality of the group is shown at left.

So, what is the value of this mini-collection? The total 2008 Scott catalog value is \$9,012.35. That is quite a climb from \$11.93, and there are some empty spaces in the book that clearly had been previously occupied by stamps. Very few of the stamps are of fine-to-very-fine or very-fine quality, and several have major faults or heavy cancellations. The great value of this book is its historical importance to our club, today. It's great to know that over the past few years, the collecting enhancement programs developed by Jim Pettway, Bruce Roberts, Thomas Lane, and Ralph Dinwiddie – all strongly supported by president Stu Hanlein and the KPS membership, help us live up to what must have been our thriving precursor of the 1890's.

## Web Sites You May Want to Visit

This begins what I hope will be a long-running and useful information site for KPS members and online readers of our newsletter. If you have a web site that offers general or specialized philatelic information, send me an e-mail at [tomwb50@aol.com](mailto:tomwb50@aol.com) with the web address and a few words about the content.

Recommendations from Bruce Roberts:

[www.specimenstamps.com/index.php](http://www.specimenstamps.com/index.php) - this site deals with "specimen" stamps of British colonies. Those were issued stamps that had an overprint or perforated design that said "Specimen" and were distributed to member countries of the Universal Postal Union as reference material. Examples of markings and perforations on this web site include:

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<http://webpmt.usps.gov/pmt010.cfm> - this site allows you to select a state and get an alphabetical listing of its post offices, including those no longer in operation. For some, it gives the opening and closing dates. Under Tennessee, it gives the opening date of the Knoxville post office as August 21, 1794.

Recommendations from Tom Broadhead

<http://www.postalhistory.com/Military/APO/index.htm> - this is a part of Jim Forte's [www.postalhistory.com](http://www.postalhistory.com) web site, but it is useful in providing a detailed explanation of Army Post Office system, including APO numbering, during World War II.

[http://downloads.sturmpanzer.net/WWMF/Numerical\\_Listing\\_of\\_APOs\\_January\\_1942\\_-\\_November\\_1947.pdf](http://downloads.sturmpanzer.net/WWMF/Numerical_Listing_of_APOs_January_1942_-_November_1947.pdf) - is a useful companion to the Jim Forte site. It was produced by the US military and is a numerical guide by date and place.

<http://www.imagesoftheworld.org/stamps/stamps.htm> - is a great, beautifully illustrated site showing details of early British stamps, including plate and position information.

<http://hps.gr/fipliterature/boip.PDF> - is the 694-page pdf of philatelic literature, mentioned in this month's article about the early KPS circuit sales book. Alas, the site does not include our more recent newsletters, but it is a treasure trove of information about early philatelic publications, worldwide.

Don't wait – send your favorite web site to share!

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## Girl Scouts Centennial Will Be Featured at Knoppex 2012!

It's official – the theme for Knoppex 2012, approved by members at the June KPS meeting, will be the centennial of the Girl Scouts of the USA. This will be a great follow-up to our successful Knoppex 2010, which celebrated the centennial of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Girl Scouts were founded in 1912 by Julia Gordon Low (1860-1927), an acquaintance of Boy Scouts founder Sir Robert Baden Powell. The U.S. first commemorated Low and scouting with a three cent 1948 stamp promoted by President Harry Truman.



Although this was the first stamp to mention the Girl Scouts, the first to commemorate the group was issued in 1962 on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding.

There have since been other stamps issued by the US to recognize scouting, and it will be fun to see which ones we will decide to use on our Knoppex 2011 cachets. It's great to know at this time what our theme will be. That means that we can go to the August APS annual meeting with an eye to purchase Girl Scout commemoratives at good prices.



Let's hope that we can get local Girl Scouts interested in our show. It's yet another opportunity to get potential young collectors interested in our hobby.

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

I hope that everyone has had an opportunity to acquire new items for their collections with all the stamps that have been available at our meetings. We have had the APS circuit books, thanks Jim Pettway. We have 5 Scott albums with stamps at 5 cents apiece, thanks to a donation to the club at Knoppex. And we have the exceptional material from the Neal Henderson collection which the club purchased for sale to our members, with many thanks to Bruce Roberts for organizing it.

We had a lively discussion at the June meeting about proceeds from these sales and I think the concern was well founded. The board will discuss how we to allocate these funds and all suggestions from the membership will be heard. One clear advantage is that we will be able to finance, at little risk, future club purchases from major auctions if we choose to proceed with this club activity. In these austere economic times it is refreshing to consider what to do with unanticipated excess income. We do have some new operating expenses, as we are paying to store the exhibition frames since Bruce Kenny's departure from Knoxville to Arizona.

VP Tom Ringenbach is looking for volunteers to make presentations at our meetings. If you would like to enlighten the membership on some of your philatelic areas of expertise please let Tom know. The club appreciates the presentations on Tom Broadhead's travels and quest for stamps from unusual areas, but he needs a break as well.

Our next Saturday meeting will be in Maryville at Roy Row's church details of which will be found elsewhere in the bulletin. I hope many members will attend, as this is a great opportunity to meet those who are not able to make the Tuesday night meetings. Roy has volunteered to provide refreshments and his hospitality is greatly appreciated.

*Stu Hanlein*

## **Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – June 7, 2011**

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 18 members present. President Stu Hanlein presided. Charlie Wade gave a brief review of the actions of the KPS board meeting of May 31. The minutes of the April meeting were approved as published in the newsletter. It was suggested that the minutes be forwarded to board members prior to publication. Thomas Lane submitted the treasurer's report which was approved. Current club accounts total \$7,041.15. Through May 31 a total of \$1,055.42 had been purchased from the "Henderson Collection" and "The Nickel Albums." Thomas reported that it has cost the club less than \$200 for processing APS circuit books this year.

The club approved the recommendation that this year's Christmas party again be held at the "Great American Steakhouse. Thomas Lane will make reservations. The centennial of the Girl Scouts was approved as the theme for Knoxpex 2012. Bruce Roberts told of the Tennessee Postal History Society and had newsletters and membership applications for interested KPS members. Russ Haese led a discussion on the financial returns on club investment in the Henderson Collection and the Regency lots. Roy Row volunteered to serve as the chairman of Knoxpex 2012. Tom Broadhead will contact the Knoxville News Sentinel about a future article on the KPS and our activities.

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Following the business meeting Tom Broadhead gave a follow-up to last month's program with his presentation "A Trip to Nepal & Sri Lanka ... With Some Stamps!!!!" Again his talk was very interesting, entertaining, and informative.

The next regular meeting will be on July 5. A special Saturday meeting will be held July 16 in Maryville.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## **Knoxville Philatelic Society Board Meeting – May 31, 2011**

The Knoxville Philatelic Society officers and directors convened for the quarterly Board of Directors meeting at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, May 31, 2011. KPS Vice President Tom Ringenbach presided.

The board decided to keep a listing of members' email addresses confidential. Jim Pettway will remain as the primary source of "all members" email distributions. Bruce Roberts will serve as back-up. The board decided that the KPS newsletter will remain available to all viewers on the web. The board recommends that the 2011 Christmas party be again held at The Great American Steak & Buffet.

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## **Stamp of the Month**

This month's stamp is a 500 yen, high value definitive of Japan. Issued in 1955, the stamp (Scott 609) is a beautifully engraved image of a bridge and iris. Its high face value stands out among contemporary 5 yen stamps of the time. These stamps are a gift from Mike Kauffman.

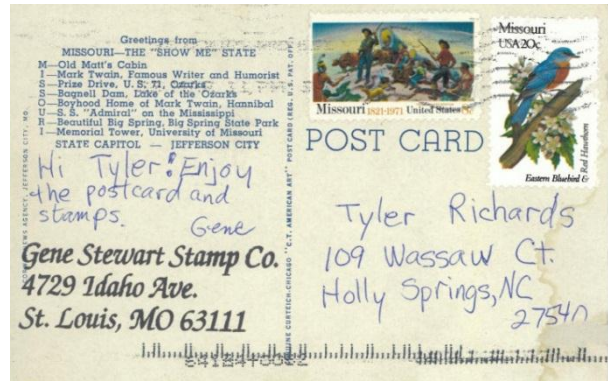


# GRANDPA "I NEED YOUR HELP!"

By Stu Hanlein

This was the phone call I received from my 11 year old grandson, Tyler, who is in the fifth grade at Holly Springs Elementary school in Holly Springs, NC. The 50 fifth grade students had been studying the United States, and each had to report on a separate state. The final part of the assignment was a contest between the two classes to see who could get a picture postcard with the name of the state on the front from all 50 states, mailed to the student from the state. The emphasis here was to network with friends and relatives living across the country.

This request was a way to introduce my grandson to postcard collecting and perhaps getting him interested in stamps or some area of philately which has interested me for so many years. I reminded him that his dad's parents were military retirees and had friends and relatives all over the country, so he should involve us in this contest. I emailed friends and relatives explaining the details of the contest complete with my grandson's home address. I had forgotten that they had recently moved, but with the postman's help, those early respondents who had mailed their cards before the correction arrived still had successful deliveries. The dedicated ones actually sent a second card to the corrected address! My grandson was so excited about getting the cards that he would race to the mailbox as soon as he got home from school and eagerly search through the mail for new postcards. He kept a scorecard of which states he had gotten and which ones he needed. (A side note here, the teacher who acted as referee in the contest disallowed a postcard that one of my friends sent from Nevada as it was a picture of the Hoover Dam which could be claimed by either NV or AZ in her opinion even though it was postmarked from NV.)



A postcard from Missouri stamp dealer, Gene Stewart, had Missouri-related stamps paying the 28 cents postage.

With this two pronged attack utilizing both grandparents, my grandson supplied 19 of the first 20 states for his class before the other class had even one! Unfortunately, this made the rest of his classmates slack off, since they thought he would carry them to victory single handedly. Recognizing that we were missing quite a few states, I got out my yearbooks from high school and college reunions, which conveniently had listings by states, and most had current email addresses. I renewed some acquaintances and, in explaining what we were trying to accomplish, got some to even volunteer their relatives in other states – my fellow grandparents knew how important this was! One college classmate, whom I had not seen since we graduated 50 years ago, got into it big time and sent my grandson 5 picture postcards from Casper, WY.

The other class sprung into the battle, and as we entered the last 10 days of the contest the two classes were running neck and neck. Now it was crunch time, so who could I rely upon with confidence? The answer was to contact fellow stamp collectors who might be grandparents and would understand the urgency of my request. The next challenge was “where could I locate collectors in the remaining missing states?” I scanned my back issues of *Linn's Stamp News* to the Event Calendar, which lists stamp shows by state and gives a contact person. After looking through one year's copies of *Linn's*, I found people in the missing states. I called the contact people for shows in the necessary states, and most were willing to pitch in and help. One said he lived in one state and worked in a neighboring state and would send one from each place. I enjoyed chatting with the contact people and found out a lot about the status of the hobby in areas other than Tennessee. Each contact delivered as requested, and my grandson's class was declared the winner. My grandson turned in 75% of the 50 states and was the hero of the class. His class was treated to an ice cream party for their accomplishment. More importantly (to me), he thinks his grandfather is *the best!*

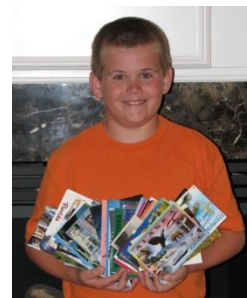
(Wait! There's more on page 4.)

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, July 5

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One major benefit of this activity is that my grandson has been exposed to collecting stamped covers. At least it is a start, and he may develop into a stamp collector one of these years. Grandpa will give him encouragement in that direction, you may be certain! The contact with other stamp collectors reassured my belief that stamp collectors will always try to help out other collectors. I knew that I would have gladly helped out if I had received a similar call from another collector, **wouldn't you?**



## Web Sites You May Want to Visit

Keep sending me the links to web sites that you find interesting and helpful in your philatelic pursuits. Send me an e-mail at [tomwb50@aol.com](mailto:tomwb50@aol.com) with the web address and a few words about the content.

Recommendations from Gary Santini:

[www.stampalbums.com](http://www.stampalbums.com) – enables the printing of worldwide album pages in the Scott format, no pictures, low cost (\$30 for CD which is current from inception).

[www.StampAuctionNetwork.com](http://www.StampAuctionNetwork.com) is a good general reference those who like auctions but prefer to deal through a single site.

<http://www.linns.com/howto/refreshers/rc.aspx> - has online versions of the “Refresher Course” columns offered in *Linn's Stamp News* for more than a decade. The page has many topics worth visiting to brush up on your philatelic knowledge.

Recommendation from Tom Broadhead:

<http://www.1847usa.com> – is undoubtedly one of the very best reference sites for US stamps. I visit it regularly and have found many useful high quality illustrations and links. A couple of years ago, the site got into trouble by giving Scott catalog numbers, and unfortunately was taken down in order to remove that information. I e-mailed site editor Bob Allen, and he explained that Amos Publishing Co. just would not let them use Scott numbers in this excellent reference site!

<http://www.linns.com> – Gary's recommendation above reminded me that there are other useful bits of stamp information on this web site – and you don't have to be a *Linn's* subscriber.

Don't wait – send your favorite web site to share!

## KPS Special Saturday Meeting – July 16, 2011

Continuing one of our newer traditions, KPS will have a Saturday meeting, with a return to Roy Row's church in Maryville, which last hosted our June 2010 Saturday meeting. Roy has generously offered to provide refreshments, so plan to arrive around noon. The address is the First Christian Church, 400 S. Court St., Maryville, TN 37803. Park in the lot behind the church and enter the community room. There will be APS Circuit Sales, the Nickel Scott Albums, and items from the Henderson Collection, in addition to what you bring to show and trade!

## KPS Board Meeting Minutes – May 31, 2011 (continued from page 2).

Tom Ringenbach reviewed the program schedule for the following year. He again encourages members to volunteer. Bruce Roberts gave a current status of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs. The theme for KnoxPex 2012 needs to be decided at the June meeting. Tom Broadhead has added to stamp related videos on YouTube and donated APS medals to be awarded at future Knoxpex shows.

There will be a Saturday meeting on July 16. The tentative location is Maryville.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary.

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, August 2**

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## KPS Updates

On Wednesday, July 27, KPS lost one of its favorite members, and KPS members lost a valued friend and trusted stamp dealer. Bill Muenzer, one of our longest-standing members and member-dealers, lost his battle with lung cancer. At the August 2 KPS meeting, we will discuss suitable ways to honor and remember Bill. Do you have a favorite Bill Muenzer story or experience? If so, please send it to me. We will dedicate the "large article" next month to our shared reminiscences of Bill.

Opportunities for KPS members to add to their collections seem to grow month by month. Just a few weeks ago, Bill donated to the club the remainder of his collection and sales stock with the intent that the proceeds be divided between KPS and his family. Some of the truly spectacular stamps are featured in this newsletter, and KPS members can contact Bruce Roberts to leave a bid offer. He will also market these stamps to dealers at the APS StampShow, and the lucky owners will be those KPS members or APS dealers who offered the most. There are many other, much less expensive items, including covers and postal history, which Bruce is working up for purchase at our monthly meetings.

In other member news, Bruce Roberts was invited this month to give a presentation at the Chattanooga Stamp Club on Tennessee Confederate Provisional Stamps, and I was invited to give a presentation at the Holston Stamp Club in Bristol about my trip to Asia and its philatelic history. It's all about getting the word out about our hobby – to fellow collectors and to the general public.

Don't pass up the opportunity to shop for stamps at Bill Vance's bourse on August 20-21 at the Holiday Inn Cedar Bluff. Bill has been a longtime loyal dealer at Knoxpex shows and last year took over the responsibility for the summer bourse that Bill Muenzer had organized for many years.

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

I hope everyone had a great July 4th holiday. My wife and I have been in Maryland babysitting our 18 month old granddaughter which has been quite an experience! Of course my wife was in 7th heaven as the state of DE, which was a mere 3 minute drive north of our beachfront condo, has a zillion discount malls (like Pigeon Forge) except there is *no* state sales tax! This put a dent in my pocketbook and limited my stamp searching. I did manage to work on my July the 7th collection, which I first described in the July 2010 KPS News. My objective is to get an item canceled on my birth date from July 7, 1938 to the present. I now have over half of the 73 dates that I need. My favorite card is one from Washington, DC post marked on July 7, 1938 the actual date and place where I was born. Wherever I happen to be on my birthday, I purchase a few local postcards, stamp them, take them to the local post office, and have them hand canceled. I have learned the hard way, not to let the card go through the mail, but instead take it back after it has been canceled. I decided to hit several post offices armed with a fist full of cards available in the resort area. I had very good success at the Ocean City, MD and Berlin, MD post offices.

I am looking forward to getting back home and chasing after some more stamps. With all the material that our club has available it will be fun stamping for quite some time. Please join us at the next few meetings and enjoy the fun of acquiring more stamps for your collection at reasonable prices. We will greatly benefit from the generosity of our former local stamp dealer, Bill Muenzer, who gave a sizeable lot of stamps to our club. There are quite a few high ticket items in this lot and we will attempt some different approaches to merchandising them to get a maximum return to the club and Bill. All the more reason to attend our August meeting and see some of the material!

*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – July 5, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church on Tuesday, July 5, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. Vice President Tom Ringenbach presided. There were 23 people present. Jack Moyers, a guest at the meeting, recently moved to the Knoxville area from Salt Lake City. He gave a recap of his background and collecting interests.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was presented and approved. The current club accounts total \$7,317.67. Through June 30 a total of \$1,505.77 had been purchased from the "Henderson Collection" and "The Nickel Albums." Reservations have been made for the 2011 Holiday Dinner on Tuesday, December 6 at the Great American Steak & Buffet.

KPS received thank you letters from the APS acknowledging our recent contributions. Neil Henderson gave the club some photos from KPS activities in the 1980's. (Ron Mynatt noted that Jo hadn't changed a bit!). Harry Brooks shared the appreciation of the Conklin family for the club's remembrance of Forrest. The APS Stamp Show will be held in Columbus, Ohio, August 11 – 14. Several members plan to attend. An excellent opportunity exists for members to attend the 2012 AmeriStamp Expo/Southeastern Stamp Expo in Atlanta January 27 – 29, 2012.

Tom Rigenbach presented the program, "By the Seat of Their Pants: The Early Years of Airmail Service." This was a show from the APS. Tom encouraged members to visit the APS website and suggest future programs from their catalogue. There will be a Saturday meeting on

July 16 at the First Christian Church in Maryville with Roy Row as host.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Board Meeting – July 23, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society officers and directors convened for a special Board of Directors meeting at the First Christian Church in Maryville on Saturday 23, 2011. Board members present were Stu Hanlein, Ralph Dinwiddie, Tom Ringenbach, Charlie Wade, Bruce Roberts, Roy Row. Several members attended as observers. President Tom Stu Hanlein presided.

The following items were discussed and action taken. A sign-out process for the "Nickel Albums" will be instituted. Stu Hanlein will keep the check-out records. Bruce Roberts updated the board on the status of The Henderson Collection. He will continue to publish an updated inventory as he progresses. Bill Muenzer has given a substantial collection to the KPS. Bill's wishes are that this be used for "members to have fun" and if there is any monetary gain, a portion of it to be passed back to his family. The board has proposed that after any related expenses are paid, KPS will receive a 20% commission on the sale of any items to members and 80% will be paid to the Muenzer family. On any items sold to those other than KPS members proceeds will be split on a 50/50% basis between KPS and the family. Bruce Roberts will propose such a plan to the family.

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## Upcoming Events

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs – [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events).

August 2 – KPS monthly meeting – Program: Commemorative Stamps of Great Britain by Charlie Wade

August 20-21 – Summer Stamp Bourse – Holiday Inn Cedar Bluff – Bill Vance – [bwstamps@aol.com](mailto:bwstamps@aol.com)

August 30 – KPS 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting. Board meeting at 6:00, followed by swap and shop with APS Circuit Sales books and Muenzer and Henderson collections.

## Stamp of the Month

Our August stamp is the 5 pence (pre-decimal currency) definitive stamp of Australia featuring Queen Elizabeth II. The stamp (Scott 319) is beautifully engraved and printed in dark blue, issued on October 1, 1959. These come from the gift of Betty Anne Logan.



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# Knoxville Stamp Collectors Have a New Website: KnoxStamps.com

By Ralph Dinwiddie

The Welcome screen of this new website tells us, "KnoxStamps.com is designed as a resource for stamp collectors in the Knoxville Tennessee area. It contains information about local philatelic events, clubs, meetings, shows, and other fun stuff. Hopefully, stamp collectors from other regions will also find this site a useful and fun place to visit. Everyone is encouraged to submit content and suggestions." The site contains a great deal of useful information already and its growing every day. In the past, people had to go to websites such as the APS or



Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs in order to find out if Knoxville has a stamp club. These sites have limited information and are not designed with the local collector in mind. On the other hand, KnoxStamps.com is all about the local stamp scene. This site contains past KPS Newsletters (including many from the 19<sup>th</sup> Century), every newsletter cachet, directions to meetings (including maps), a calendar of events, photos from KPS events, and information on past and future Knoxpex Shows.

KnoxStamps.com is not just about the Knoxville Philatelic Society. It has links to other interesting philatelic websites and this list is growing all the time. It contains philatelic videos from the National Postal Museum, as well as from Tom Broadhead. You will find press releases from the USPS right alongside the latest headlines from KnoxNews. Oh, and did I mention, it also has the 5-Day Weather Forecast for Knoxville, right on the home page. So you will never get caught out in the rain with your stamps. Another interesting area of the website under development is the "Philatelic Encyclopedia." This is a visual representation of the many areas of Philately arranged in alphabetical order. The cool thing about this Encyclopedia is that it's open to your contributions. So, if you would like to see something from your collection displayed as an example of some specific topic, you can just submit the photo along with a short caption (or an entire page description). There are virtually no limits to the amount of information and pictures which can be displayed, since there are no printing costs or memory storage costs involved.

Where did this website come from? Who's behind it and is it the "official" KPS website? To get the answers to these questions I didn't have to go very far. I created this website at the end of June and have been working on it in my spare time for the last month. Currently, it's not the "Official KPS Website" since I'm the only person in editorial control of the content and have paid for it out of my own pocket. However, I'm completely willing to allow the club to take over this site and make it "Official." Either way, I hope the club will benefit from this resource and take full advantage of it by submitting relevant information, such as, items for the Philatelic Encyclopedia, copies of presentations given at KPS meetings and exhibits shown at Knoxpex. In the future, this resource can be used to display auction items for sale to members, or to poll the membership to gauge interest in new programs and activities. The possibilities are endless! So check it out and let's work together to make it the best resource it can be. Please feel free to let me know any suggestions you have to make the Website more useful and fun.

[www.knoxstamps.com](http://www.knoxstamps.com)

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, August 2

## Gems from Bill Muenzer's Collection

Our great, departed member, Bill Muenzer donated the remainder of his collection to KPS, to divide the proceeds between the club and his family. The stamps shown below are available for bid by KPS members and will be taken to the APS StampShow in Columbus to offer to dealers. Each lot will be sold to the highest offer. Thanks go to Bruce Roberts for organizing these.



US Scott 39 – used  
3 margins - \$280



US Scott 64b –  
unused VF,  
disturbed OG, H,  
APEX Certificate,  
Filled thin - \$600



US Scott 291 – Mint NH, F-VF  
\$2,000



Austria N49 LH, OG  
1918 Trentino Ovpt.  
Certificate - \$4,250



Canada Scott 103 – Mint NH,  
F - \$625.00



French Colonies  
Scott 8, OG, LH  
\$1,000 (for NH)



Great Britain Scott 110 – used, VF - \$3,250

*Additional stamps are shown on the insert page.*

## KPS Board Meeting Minutes – July 23, 2011 (continued from page 2).

From Bill's collection a number of high-value items have been identified [shown above]. KPS members may submit a bid on any of these by August 10. These items will then be taken to the APS StampShow in Columbus, Ohio, August 11 – 14, where they will be offered to dealers for sale. They will be sold to the highest bidder, either KPS members or stamp dealers. Discussions on how to use the proceeds from Bill's collection was tabled until a later date.

The board agreed with email postings of KPS members' "For Sale" items to other members. Jim Pettway has volunteered to coordinate such activity. A summer stamp bourse, conducted by Bill Vance, will be held in Knoxville August 20-21. KPS will recruit new members there and will offer a \$5 membership for the remainder of this year or a \$17 membership valid through 2012.

The board authorized Bruce Roberts up to \$2,000 for purchase of collections for the club at the upcoming Regency auction at the APS StampShow in Columbus. There was one dissenting vote.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, September 6**

Gems from Bill Muenzer's Collection – continued from page 4.



Italy Scott 31a – unused, OG  
PESA Certificate - \$7,250



Italy Scott 39 – unused, OG, H,  
UR corner perf crease, APS Certificate  
\$1,000



Italy Scott 40 – unused, OG, H, XF  
APS Certificate - \$875



Italian Socialist Republic – not listed in Scott – LH, OG, se-tenant pairs. Sassone 1-6.



This set is a puzzler. The copies from Bill's collection at the top show se-tenant "Cuvio" overprints, but they are not a mixture of black and red – as shown in the authentic copies above. However, they do show the similar colors as a set in the July 2011 Apflebaum sale, which were given a catalog value of \$3,600. The copies at top also lack the back stamp purple branch, which is attributed to genuine copies.



Italy – Italian Socialist Republic  
 Scott Q1-12, se-tenant pairs, H,  
 OG - \$1,200

Enlargement of the 50 centesimi  
 above.



Mauritius Scott 6a – used with very  
 light cancel and large to jumbo  
 margins – \$3,750.00.

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## Show News

The month of August was a busy one for stamp shows. APS had its annual "StampShow" in Columbus, OH, and many KPS members attended. I received an award for my "Indigenous Peoples" YouTube video, and copies of the gold-medal winning KPS news were on display. Bruce Roberts and Thomas Lane checked out the Regency Auction lots and were successful bidders on behalf of the club. Stay tuned for some great bargains!



Gerald Schroedl caught a quick shot of Bruce and Thomas at the Regency auction in Columbus, OH.

Longtime Knoxpex dealer, Bill Vance, organized a great summer bourse at the Holiday Inn, and the two-day event brought some new dealers to the show. We are delighted that Bill has continued to put on this summer program, which was started several years ago by Bill Muenzer.



Bill Vance and Stu Hanlein at the bourse.

Happy collecting!

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

I want to thank Bruce Roberts for giving a eulogy on behalf of himself and the club at Bill Muenzer's funeral service. For some of the newer members' information Bruce and Bill were partners in the stamp shop for several years and had been close friends for a long time. We as a club, should decide on an appropriate way to honor his memory. The floor is open for suggestions!

Don't forget to bring in the 5 cent albums to the next KPS meeting. I am keeping a record of who has which volumes and will take reservations for each volume in advance. Just let me know which volume you would like to see. The club appreciates the timely return of the albums so others will have a chance to pick out some treasures for their collections. There are still lots of good stamps in these books and the price is right!

I would like to recommend a column in *Linn's Stamp News* – "Generally Speaking" by Lawrence Block. He is an accomplished author, who usually writes mysteries and he has several ongoing characters which he has created. The most interesting to me is John Keller, who is a stamp collector in addition to his occupation as a professional hit man. Block has cleverly woven his stamp collecting knowledge into his writings about this character. It is a pleasure to read an article in a stamp magazine written by a professional writer – the words just seem to flow more appealingly. I have now become a fan of Block's writing and have been trying to read all of his books. I have done some research on him and I find that we were both born in the same year so I guess there is some kindred spirit between us. Stamp wise I only disagree on one thing in that I primarily collect used stamps (probably due to my personal precancel collections) while he is a MNH collector. The beauty of stamp collecting is that we are both happy with what we are collecting. Let me know if anyone has any opinions on Lawrence Block's writings.

*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – August 2, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. President Stu Hanlein presided. There were 19 people present. The meeting was opened with sadness noting our fellow KPS member, Bill Muenzer, passed on July 27. Members are asked to provide any comments and memories of Bill to Tom Broadhead who will include these in the next edition of the KPS newsletter. To acknowledge their special contributions in obtaining collections for the club, Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Bruce Roberts and Thomas Lane. Tom Broadhead received recognition from the APS for the KPS newsletter receiving a Gold Award for Class II multi-page category.

The following business items were discussed. The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved. The minutes of the July 23 KPS Board meeting were read for member information. The treasurer's report was presented and approved. The current club accounts total \$7,928.63. Through July 31 a total of \$2,337.37 had been purchased from the "Henderson Collection" and "The Nickel Albums."

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The board authorized Bruce Roberts up to \$2,000 for purchase of collections for the club at the upcoming Regency auction at APS StampShow in Columbus. The club approved a \$50.00 donation to Maryville's First Christian Church Minister's Discretionary Fund in appreciation for their hosting two Saturday meetings. Tom Broadhead announced that KPS member Beverly Rice will provide a \$25 initial year membership in the American Topical Association for four KPS members. Tom provided applications to those interested.

Following the business meeting Charlie Wade presented this month's program titled "Commemorative Stamps of Great Britain". Along with the presentation Charlie brought several of such stamps for members to see.

There will be a fifth Tuesday meeting on August 30. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 6. Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## Upcoming Events

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs – [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events).

September 6 – KPS monthly meeting – Ralph Dinwiddie talks about the new web site and cachets.

October 4 – KPS monthly meeting and annual Stamp Collecting Month live Members' Auction.

November 1 – KPS monthly meeting – Clothesline exhibits!

November 29 – KPS 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday swap and shop meeting (7:00) and Board meeting (6:00).

## Stamp of the Month



More than 20 billion "Win the War" stamps (Scott 905) were issued beginning on July 4, 1942, only 7 months after the US entered World War II. This stamp was a workhorse and warhorse. As our September stamp of the month, it comes to us from a gift from our late member Bettye Anne Logan.

# HOW I BEGAN COLLECTING THE STAMPS OF ANGUILLA

By Rich Kaplan

Anguilla is a hot desert island in the Caribbean ringed by some of the most beautiful beaches in the world, though 2500 years ago it was a lush tropical rain forest with around forty settlements of Arawak Indians, who had migrated from South America. The Indians had disappeared by the time the first English settlers arrived in 1650 but returned six years later to wipe out the colonists. Control of the island vacillated between the British, the French and independent settlers with their slaves until 1796, when a British warship finally took the island from the French in a violent battle.

Anguilla became a political appendage to St. Christopher (St. Kitts), which the Anguillans resented greatly. They made their first appeal to Queen Victoria in 1872 to be independent of St. Kitts, which kept most of the crown's money. George V added Nevis to the confederation (known as the Leeward Islands) in 1936, which by 1956 became the colony of St. Kitts, Nevis and Anguilla within the West Indies Federation. Anguilla remained impoverished with little infrastructure and declared a revolution in February 1967, demanding direct administration by Great Britain. The high point of the revolution occurred May 30, 1967 with the expulsion of the 13 man police force comprised entirely of St. Kittsians. On June 10 an eighteen man party, including 3 American mercenaries and inside help from a few St. Kittsians, attacked the St. Kitts Police headquarters, main power station and the Defense Force Camp. The attacks were not successful, and three Anguillans were captured. A plebiscite was held on July 11, with an overwhelming vote for secession. A meeting of representatives from other British Caribbean governments proposed Anguilla's return to constitutional rule by St. Kitts. On February 6, 1969 Anguilla again declared itself an independent republic. Six weeks later an invading party of three hundred British troops established administration under a Commissioner. Eleven more years of negotiations resulted in Anguilla being declared a separate British Dependent Territory and a formal end to colonial ties to St. Kitts on December 19, 1980.

St. Christopher began issuing stamps by 1870, following the lead of Nevis in 1861. They merged their issues in 1903 but omitted Anguilla from the inscription and, in fact, did not portray anything relating to Anguilla until 1948. In 1950 St. Kitts and Nevis overprinted an issue to commemorate the Anguilla Tercentenary. Beginning in 1952 the stamps began to bear the inscription St. Christopher, Nevis and Anguilla. On September 4, 1967 Anguilla declared its philatelic independence by overprinting a 1963 set of sixteen stamps of St. Christopher, Nevis and Anguilla. Anguilla then released its first set of definitives in November 1967 and a set of commemoratives in May 1968. On January 6, 1969 they overprinted the 1967 definitives with "Independence January 1969." The British invasion of March 1969 put an end to the unilateral declaration of independence. By 1971 "Anguilla" was removed from the stamps and replaced with H(er) M(ajesty's) Commissioner in Anguilla as well as the Royal Cypher "E II R." Anguilla has used its own stamps since 1967, but stamps inscribed St. Christopher, Nevis and Anguilla continued to be used in the other two islands until May of 1980, just prior to the end of Anguilla's dependency with St. Kitts.

Having owned a timeshare in St. Maarten since 2000, I thought I'd take the 15 minute ferry ride across to Anguilla about 2004, after a friend became director of the Anguillan chamber of commerce. I visited the Post Office the following year and discovered that they had only begun issuing stamps in 1967. Over the next two years I became friendly with the philatelic clerk, Sherry Ann Roberts, whose visits to the vault allowed me access at face value to a great many stamps going back to 1987. Since 2009 my only needs are six high values of the original issue of overprinted stamps of St. Kitts and Nevis, two other single stamps and three booklets. I have met and spoken with some heroes of the revolution and their descendants.

My relationship with the philatelic staff has enabled me to frank and postmark my own covers to send home stamps from St. Maarten and Anguilla and even for sending home excess baggage (many of you saw the box I brought to the July meeting, to which I had affixed exact postage of EC\$97, the equivalent of 36.89USD). After ascertaining that Anguilla would issue stamps for the Royal Wedding just after my most recent visit, I brought my own stamps including The Royal Post wedding issue and some older Anguillan stamps with William, Diana, Charles and other issues relating to Royalty. I made up six covers to which the new Anguilla set of four were later added and cancelled on the date of issue. While in the Post Office I happened to see a cacheted envelope with the royal couple, which a clerk was using for scratch paper.

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# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, September 6

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Commemorative cover created and mailed on the First Day of issue of royal wedding stamps by Rich Kaplan



Official cachet first day cover of the 2011 Royal Wedding stamps of Anguilla

They had failed to submit a timely request for permission to use the Royal photograph and had to go with a generic cachet. All of the remaining envelopes had to be destroyed, and my plea to obtain the lone remaining cacheted envelope was denied, because everyone in the office would have known who gave it to me. I corresponded with a guy in Michigan who visited the Anguilla Post Office in the early 1980's and used to get access to errors and printer's waste. I guess I came 15 years too late for that. To date, Anguilla has issued 1182 stamps, most of which were prior to 2005, when 5-6 sets a year were the norm. Since that time new issues have been limited to one or two sets a year. I have found collecting the beautiful and high quality stamps of Anguilla to be challenging and exciting.

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**KPS Members' Live Auction!**



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## Stamp Collecting Month!

October is "Stamp Collecting Month," and KPS will be celebrating it in style at our annual "Members Auction." This is the opportunity for each of us to buy and sell, with no sellers' fees and no minimum lot prices. Check the September KPS news for the auction lot form.

We are now very much on the Web, with [knoxstamps.com](http://knoxstamps.com) at the top of the list on the KPS news masthead above. Please take time to visit our new site, created by **Ralph Dinwiddie**, and don't forget to send him information – and thanks for his efforts.

This year, KPS News again earned a gold award from the American Philatelic Society, and suggestions from the critique are incorporated here. Most significant were providing contact information for our society – note that **Jim Pettway's** e-mail is given on the bottom of page 2 for anyone to send announcements, and mine is still there for newsletter questions and submissions. The judges also recommended bolding the names of members in the newsletter – a great way to further recognize the contributions each month by many KPS members. The recommendation to give contact information for new members in the newsletter will not be adopted, as KPS has chosen to protect the privacy of its members. Don't forget to send me notes and articles for future issues!

In August, the group of new Flags of Our Nation coil stamps appeared, including the stamp for Tennessee. I have not yet seen a copy. Have you? Maybe you would



like to create a Tennessee theme exhibit for next month's clothesline exhibits.

Happy collecting!

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

We have a lot of activities coming up in October, and I hope you will participate in them. Our October meeting is our club members' auction. All members can submit lots, and both members and non-members can bid and buy. Remember, there is no sellers or buyers fee. This is a great opportunity for everyone to sell their duplicates and buy good items to add to their collections. We will also offer some club lots, but only if we don't have enough member lots submitted. Come to the meeting early, as we must clear out of the room by 9:00 pm. Please have your auction sheets filled out before you get there so we can process the lots quickly.

The Board has had several meetings recently to discuss ways to share the gains from our recent stamp sales. A bus to the APS winter show in Atlanta in January will be chartered if we have enough members interested in making a day trip to a really big stamp show. We would leave early on Saturday morning and return that night. The club voted to have each member who wishes to attend pay a \$20 advance fee, and relatives can go along at the same price. There is a major shopping mall near the show, and the bus could take shoppers there for the day, while the rest of us enjoy the stamps. Sign up early so we can see if there is enough interest. The club will cover the additional cost beyond the \$20 per person fee.

Once again, I remind you that the nickel albums are still available, and there are lots of good stamps still waiting for a home. **Bruce Roberts** will have some more items from our club purchases and from Bill Muenzer's estate at the November meeting. We will also have our next Saturday meeting at noon on October 15 at Bruce's church, Powell Presbyterian Church, 2910 West Emory Road, Powell, TN 37849. There will be lots of opportunities to view Regency lots, Muenzer estate materials and member swaps, and I look forward to seeing lots of you at this program.

*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – September 6, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, September 6, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. President **Stu Hanlein** presided. There were 20 people present. The minutes of the August meeting were approved. The treasurer's report showing a balance of \$6467.86 was approved. The major expense in August was the purchase of collections from the Regency auction for \$2,281.50. The minutes of the August 30, 2011 Board of Directors meeting were read for club member's information.

**Tom Broadhead** updated the membership on the possibility of a charter bus to attend the 2012 AmeriStamp Expo in Atlanta in January 2012. A show of hands indicated about ten of those present are interested in a club bus. Tom will continue to look at the charter of a bus or the use of a smaller van. A final decision on the bus trip should be made by the November meeting. A non-refundable \$20.00 deposit will be required with reservations. Regardless of the method of transportation several members expect to attend the show.

**Roy Row** will be unable to chair Knoxpex 2012. **Charlie Wade** volunteered to now coordinate the event. **Jim Pettway** again is volunteering to post member's "For Sale" items to the member distribution list. The program for the October meeting will be a club auction. Auction lot forms are included in the September newsletter. **Stu Hanlein** visited the Knoxville Marriott for a tour. He reports the facilities are excellent and might be suitable for future KPS activities.

**The Knoxville Philatelic Society meets at 7:00 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church at 2931 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919.**

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Following the business meeting **Ralph Dinwiddie** gave this month's program. It was a three tiered program featuring: (1) A review of the website **knoxstamps.com** which Ralph developed to promote and educate the philatelic community, (2) Evolution of the design of a cachet for Knoxpex 2012, and (3) "Carving Your Own Fancy Cancels" out of cork.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## Knoxville Philatelic Society – August 30, 2011 – Board Meeting

The Knoxville Philatelic Society officers and directors convened for the quarterly Board of Directors meeting at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, August 30, 2011. Board members present were **Stu Hanlein, Thomas Lane, Charlie Wade, Ralph Dinwiddie, Charles Stinnett, Bruce Roberts, Roy Row**, with additional members **Jim Pettway** and **Tom Broadhead**. President **Stu Hanlein** presided. He brought several of such stamps for members to see.

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## Upcoming Events

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs – [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events) or [www.knoxstamps.com](http://www.knoxstamps.com).

**October 4** – KPS monthly meeting and annual Stamp Collecting Month live Members' Auction.

**October 15** – Special Saturday Meeting – 12:00 at Powell Presbyterian Church, 2910 West Emory Rd, Powell, TN 37849 – Swap and Shop!

**November 1** – KPS monthly meeting – Clothesline exhibits!

**November 29** – KPS 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday swap and shop meeting (7:00) and Board meeting (6:00).

**December 6** – KPS monthly meeting and annual Holiday Dinner at the Great American Steak & Buffet – 900 Merchants Dr., Knoxville 37912. More details to be announced.

## Stamp of the Month

The early fourteenth century hero of Switzerland, William Tell, is the subject of this month's stamp of the month. The design is adapted from the 1895 sculpture of Tell and his son that stands in the city of Altdorf, where the famous apple shot is reported to have occurred. These stamps represent different values of this attractive stamp issued from 1911-1930. They are part of the gift to KPS from our late member, **Betty Anne Logan**.



## Do You Like Art?

By Tom Broadhead

Stamp collectors have the benefit of owning copies of works by the “Old Masters,” “Impressionists,” “Cubists,” and almost any genre of painting, for a mere fraction of what it would cost to own just one original or an original print. Seeing a painting hanging in a gallery and knowing that I have already seen it on a stamp is a thrill. Last spring when I was working on my YouTube video about indigenous peoples, I included some classic US stamps along with images of corresponding paintings. It is fascinating to see how much, or how little, detail an engraver can include in an image not more than one square inch from an original that is several square feet!



The monumental (12 feet x 18 feet) painting, “The Landing of Columbus” was painted by John Vanderlyn in 1846 and has hung in the U.S. Capitol rotunda since 1847. The small vignette of the 24 cent stamp of the 1869 pictorial issue shows a surprising amount of detail, far surpassed by the similar image of the 2 cent Columbian stamp of 1892.

And, sometimes a little too much artistic license is used when selecting images for stamps. Recently we learned that the image of the Statue of Liberty on the new Forever coil stamps is actually the image of a replica on display in Las Vegas. Even in 1898, an interesting choice was made for the \$1 stamp of the Trans-Mississippi issue, “Western Cattle in Storm.” Regarded by many as one of the most beautiful US stamps, its dramatic scene is actually from the painting (at left), “The Vanguard.” The painter was J.A. McWhirter, a Scott, who depicted cattle in a storm in the Scottish highlands, and the painting was



exhibited in the U.S. in 1890.

Keep your eyes peeled for other examples of beautiful art depicted on stamps – start your own mini-gallery!

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, October 4

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## Bring your Clothesline Exhibits to the November KPS meeting!

By Tom Ringenbach

Our KPS regular meeting in November will feature our second annual Clothesline Exhibit program. Our first attempt at this last November was a very good success, with five members submitting exhibits for the enjoyment of fellow club members. Let's shoot for at least five additional members this year (plus a few returnees from last year's class)!

This form of exhibiting has some great advantages. For first-time exhibitors, it's an excellent opportunity to try exhibiting on a small scale and away from the intimidating atmosphere of a big show. It's a terrific learning experience for all club members as they gain philatelic knowledge about new areas of stamp collecting...your specialties! An important side benefit is having many more sets of eyes looking out for material for you at future shows.

The rules are simple. The exhibit is just three pages in length. Here's a recap of how to develop a clothesline exhibit.

1. You're trying to tell a philatelic story, albeit a very small one. Pick a small topic to fit the space available. For example, the Great Americans issue of 1980-85 contains 26 stamps; that's way too many stamps to explain in three pages. But choosing just one stamp from that series and perhaps showing some combination of the stamp, plate numbers, printing variations, a first day cover, or an example or two of the stamp used to pay the rate for which it was issued would make a great exhibit!
2. As with any exhibit, you need a title page. In this case, probably a "half-page" is sufficient. A short paragraph of four to five sentences can tell the viewers what you will show them and enough background to help them appreciate why you picked this topic to exhibit.
3. Devote some thought to the most logical sequence for displaying your material. Remember, you know your subject very well; your viewers may not be familiar with it at all. Help them by telling them in the title page what they will see and then presenting your material to them in a way that will elicit an "aha" as they move from page to page.
4. Don't waste precious space. Use the bottom portion of your title page to begin telling your story. That is, fill it with stamps or a cover.

Last year was a lot of fun for everybody. Think about your participation this year!

### **KPS Board Minutes** (continued from page 2)

**Bruce Roberts** and **Thomas Lane** gave a recap of their purchases at the Regency auction in Columbus. They purchased three lots for \$2,281, which included both US and foreign stamps. The club has already recovered about \$500 in sales to members. About a half-dozen KPS members attended the APS StampShow in Columbus. **Jim Pettway** has contracted with nine dealers for Knoxpex 2012 and has four tables available. There was much discussion of a possible "20 cent Table" at the show. The Board approved by a vote of 5 – 2 for Jim to look at the feasibility of such a dealer. He will present his findings and recommendations at a future meeting. The Board discussed if there should be a reduced rental deposit for Knoxpex for returning dealers. There was unanimous approval of a reduced deposit of \$100 for dealers that had participated in three consecutive events.

The Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church presented the club a new rental agreement, with room rent increasing to \$40 per meeting. The club will also be charged for use of the church's projector, screen, extra tables & chairs and set-up. The Board unanimously authorized **Thomas Lane** to accept the new agreement. **Tom Broadhead** updated The Board on the possibility of a bus trip to the 2012 AmeriStamp Expo in Atlanta, January 28, 2012. Tom has found a coach company which can provide a 55 person coach and driver for \$1750 for the trip from Knoxville. Tom will present feasibility and details of such a trip at the September meeting. The Board decided to require a \$20 non-refundable deposit for members booking if such a trip evolves.

**Roy Row** advised us that he might be leaving the Knoxville area in the future and will not be able to chair Knoxpex 2012. A replacement will be discussed at the September meeting. There was discussion on liability insurance for Knoxpex events and for protection of the club-owned collections. **Bruce Roberts** will contact the group that provides his insurance and advise the club of availability. There will be details of the October club auction in the upcoming newsletter.

The board meeting was followed by the 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting. **Stu Hanlein** presented **Ralph Dinwiddie** a KPS Certificate of Appreciation for his work as publisher of the club news letter. Twenty-five members attended.

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, November 1**

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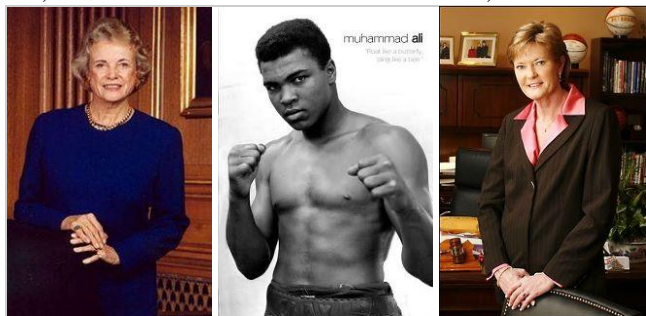
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## Your Assignments for the Month

The September 26 announcement that the USPS will allow stamps to be issued featuring living persons came as a big shock and disappointment to me. Do they really think that this is a realistic approach to bringing popular culture to stamps and possibly increase interest and revenues? Learn more about what I predict will be an increasingly, dizzyingly complicated job for the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee at [http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2011/pr11\\_109.htm](http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2011/pr11_109.htm).

What living person would you suggest for a stamp? Send me your choice + a photo of your choice to include in next month's KPS news. Students in my freshman honors seminar have made some great suggestions, including Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, Muhammad Ali, and – of course – UT basketball coach, Pat Summitt.



Start planning for the KPS holiday party. We will announce the winner of **Joe Kirker's** latest philatelic scavenger hunt, included in this newsletter. Also, there will be the annual gift exchange – be both creative and thrifty with your selection or creation of philatelic or non-philatelic gifts.

Send your favorite philatelic web links. And, don't forget to tell **Jim Pettway** or me if you want to ride the bus to AmeriStamp Expo in January!

## President's Column

It's hard to believe we are into November again and looking forward to our 3 page clothesline exhibit. I hope many members will exhibit the areas they collect. We will also have lots of stamps for you to shop. There are lots of stamps looking for a home in the 5 cent albums, **Bruce Roberts** has priced stamps from the Henderson, Muenzer and Regency acquisitions, and **Jim Pettway** will have APS sales books as well. For cover collectors, **Bruce** has a stack of these from the Muenzer estate. You may purchase newly added items at twice the asking price and older material at the asking price.

Our October Saturday meeting at Bruce's church was attended by 15 members. These meetings provide an opportunity for members who cannot attend Tuesday nights to participate in club events and also acquire stamps! I recommend attending these meetings to all of our members as we have a good time and meet some of the Saturday "regulars."

Thanks to our board of directors who supported a special board meeting to address finances and planning issues. All of our members should know that we are looking out for the wellbeing of the KPS for years to come.

We need to further discuss chartering a bus to Atlanta, GA for AmeriStamp & Southeastern Stamp Expo 2012. The plan is to take a bus from Knoxville early Saturday morning on the 28<sup>th</sup>, drop the members at the show, and take family and friends to the nearby shopping mall. We would return to Knoxville when the show closes at 6:00 to arrive back at around 10:00. The nominal suggested price was price was \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for others. Just a reminder – you should preregister free for the show so that you can avoid delays in getting into the show at [www.stamps.org/AmeriStamp-Expo](http://www.stamps.org/AmeriStamp-Expo).

*Tom Broadhead*

*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – October 4, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, October 4, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. President **Stu Hanlein** presided. There were 24 people present including two guests from the Tri-cities area stamp club.

Due to the club auction, a very brief business session was held. The formal reading of the minutes of the September meeting and the treasurer's report were waived. **Thomas Lane** provided a copy of the treasurer's report for the record. The current club accounts total \$7,322.17.

**Tom Ringenbach** discussed the "Clothesline Exhibit" which will be the November program. He encouraged all to participate. There will be a Saturday meeting on October 15 at the First Presbyterian Church in Powell. The meeting will start at 1:00 PM.

Following the business session, the annual KPS auction was held. There were over 60 lots presented to sell and there were \$760 in transactions.

Submitted by **Charlie Wade**, Secretary

## Muenzer Estate Updates

One of the great gifts from our late member **Bill Muenzer** to KPS was a share in the proceeds of the sale of his personal collection. Some of the choicer items were taken to StampShow in August, but there were no interested dealers. They were then consigned to Regency Stamp Auctions for their November sale. You can view the auction online at <http://www.regencystamps.com/catalog.aspx>. Click on Stamps-Singles at the left and scroll down to FOREIGN Stamps.

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Some of the highlights of Bill's holdings include Lot # 1616 – Austria N49 (below left – catalog value \$4200) and Lot # 1718 – Italy 31a (below right – catalog value \$8750). These stamps will be auctioned later this month at Chicagopex. Check the auction web site for prices realized!



Auction proceeds will be shared between KPS and Bill's family.

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January 3 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA – updates on Knoppex 2012.

January 27-29 – AmeriStamp Expo – APS winter national show in Atlanta. Cobb County Galleria Center,

Two Galleria Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339. Let us know if you want to go for a charter bus day-trip. Family and friends are welcome, too.

## Stamp of the Month



Following the British take-over of most of German East Africa after World War I, the colony of Kenya, Uganda & Tanganyika (KUT) was established. The 1954 pictorial definitive series includes this attractive 15 cent stamp (Scott 106) showing African elephants. These are a gift from Mike Kauffman and Pat Goebel, from the stock of Mike's father, Lyle.

## The First US Airmail Issues 1918 – UPU Specimens

by Joe Kirker

(Editor's Note: The information in this article is excerpted and quoted from the paper, "US Airmail Issues 1918-1935 – The UPU Specimens," written by KPS member Joe Kirker and published in the January 2011 *Airpost Journal*, pages 10-24.)

The tremendous increase in mail being posted for worldwide distribution made possible the creation of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union in 1879. One of the main functions was the collection and distribution of new postal issues by all member countries. A system was established where each member country would submit sufficient quantities of any new stamp – plus postal stationery – to Berne [Switzerland] so the UPU could provide all other nations with reference copies.

How the receiving authority chose to record any new issues could vary greatly, as there were no specifics for their reference markings. The British Commonwealth usually had the word "SPECIMEN" handstamped. Some nations probably never had any defacement in place and, if that material would eventually reach the marketplace, the issues would be indistinguishable from normal over-the-counter copies. Fortunately, a few rare times have occurred where this archival UPU material has come on the open market, and the type of handstamp has verified the original source.

During the course of the past 40 year, I have recorded several 1918 airmail issues at auction or in private sales, each bearing a "SPECIMEN" handstamp. By the time they reappeared in 1987, each had acquired a Philatelic Foundation Certificate, both of which stated that the stamps were genuine, but decline to opine as to whether the overprints were of British or U.S. origin. Without any supporting data or opinion of being genuine UPU archival material, I chose not to bid in either the 1982 or 1987 sales. I found them to be too suspect to be other than private handstamps – particularly the Scott C2 with double strike.



The suspicious C2 "Specimen," as offered in the 1982 Siegel Auction, [part of] Lot No. 1.

On two separate occasions, net offerings were also presented for a single copy of the first U.S. airmail issue (24¢ Jenny, Scott C3), bearing a rather crude diagonal "SPECIMEN" overprint in purple ink. Each offer was denied immediately as a legitimate UPU archive copy. In none of these examples was a member country holding presented or referenced.



From the 1978 Siegel auction photos, part of the airmail "SPECIMEN" offerings

The earliest appearance at auction of definitive UPU material took place in a 1976 Robson Lowe auction. However, less than two years later, Robert A. Siegel Auctions no. 530 (May 25, 1978) placed a very similar holding of U.S. material. Fortunate correspondence I had in researching such material with Mr. James Bendon, renowned philatelic publisher and expert, brought forth that the material in both the 1976 and 1978 offerings originated in the archives of British Bechuanaland, now known as Botswana.

The most interesting and extensive holdings of UPU archival material began appearing on the philatelic market in the late 1980s. Late dealer Jack Molesworth offered me the C1 and C2 in strips of three, and they were acquired. Fortunately, the receiving postal officials, rather than use the word "SPECIMEN," heavy ink, crayon marks or no defacing at all, chose to use a striking red handstamp, 42 mm in diameter. The beautiful cachet reads, "POSTES ET TELEGRAPHES/MADAGASCAR" around the outside, with "COLLECTION DE BERNE" in the center, ample size to cover multiple stamps.

In August 1990, yet another holding of UPU material surfaced and was offered for auction by George Alevizos. Two 1918 Jennys were presented, Scott Nos. C1 and C2. In the sale catalog Alevizos states, "The following twelve lots consist of stamps supplied by the UPU in Switzerland, which then distributed them to Portugal, which in turn distributed them to its colonies." Aggressive bidding followed each lot and I as fortunate to acquire the 1918 airs. The "COLONIAS" overprint [characteristic of Portuguese colony UPU specimens in the 1912-1926 period] is in purple. Ongoing correspondence with Bendon proved very fruitful. "There is no doubt that this collection had been formed in a Portuguese Colony, almost certainly Angola." Several other specialists also agreed with Bendon, but the possibility arose, because of other scattered material having appeared, that the colony could be Mozambique.

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# The KPS Fifth Tuesday Meeting is November 29

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← Vertical strips of three each of Scott Nos. C4-6, mounted on ledger paper and defaced with the Madagascar marking, were offered in the Oct. 2010 Robert A. Siegel Auction.



← Purple diagonal “COLONIAS” overprint used on UPU stamps in the Portuguese colonies of Angola and Mozambique.

We do have U.S. airmail issues that have been set free of their foreign UPU archives. Missing issues in the period from 1918-1935 may exist in private hands. Only time will tell, and each individual stamp or strip of three from the three known sources [Bechuanaland Protectorate, Madagascar, Portuguese Angola or Mozambique] is a unique addition to a specialized study. This has been an

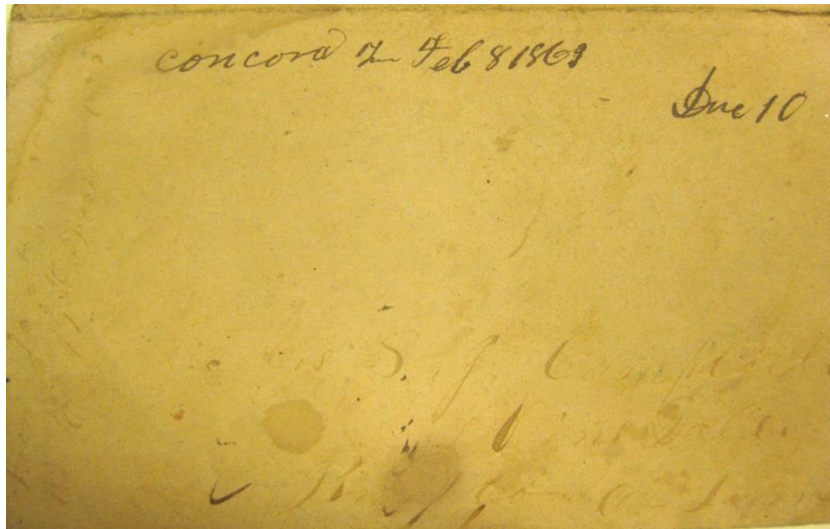
ongoing research project for me, covering more than three decades – and there is no end in sight!

## New Tennessee Confederate cover found at the Museum of East Tennessee History

By Bruce Roberts

I have always thought that if I could go through the family correspondences donated to libraries, universities, and other public institutions, I could find unreported postal history items. To test this theory, I made an appointment to look at correspondence held by the East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville. I requested to see letters that spanned the civil war, in hopes of finding something new in this area, since the Confederate Stamp Alliance is just completing a new catalog of Confederate postal history.

I was given access to two family correspondences: the Moffets and the Campbells. The first was a huge collection of correspondence addressed to Sallie McDowell Moffet from the 1830's to the 1870's. Sallie Moffet lived in New Market; so this will add to what we know about this small town post office. The Campbell collection included, much



commercial mail, receipts, checks, etc., from 1840-1870. I was amazed at how many covers were hand carried throughout this period, so most letters either did not have a cover with markings, or had envelopes with the entire corner removed, taking away both stamps and postal markings.

The most exciting find was the letter shown here, mailed from Concord Tennessee, here in Knox County, to S.J. Campbell at an indistinct location in Knox County. The key rate is the “Due 10” written in manuscript, which was the Confederate postage rate for a single letter to any destination after July 1, 1862. So the date on the letter has to be

February 8, 1863. Concord was a tiny place in 1863, and I suspected this might be an unreported Confederate town marking. I sent the scan to Jerry Palazolo in Memphis; Jerry is the editor of the Tennessee section of the new CSA catalog. Sure enough, no Confederate cover has ever been reported from Concord. Jerry will list this use in the Tennessee addenda in the new catalog (the Tennessee section has already gone to the printer).

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, December 6**



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## KPS is a Stand Out!

During the summer, I was delighted to get an e-mail from Liz Hisey, an APS judge, who is also very active in the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors. Liz asked if I would join Tony Dewey from Connecticut and Van Siegling from Michigan in presenting a seminar at the AAPE 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary observance at Chicagopex in mid-November. It would give the three of us the opportunity to talk in a public forum about the great things that our clubs do through club activities and shows. Tony and Van chose to focus on club shows, so I had the great pleasure of talking (or bragging) about the many things that KPS does.

I created a powerpoint presentation, with lots of photos of the club, scans of newsletters, and screenshots of our web presence. It touched on our stamp programs, web presence, meeting programs, cachets and newsletter, and many other qualities that make KPS the great club it is.



Talking about KPS at Chicagopex – and wearing my KPS log shirt!

We plan to create a powerpoint to share ideas that can be downloaded by other clubs at the AAPE and APS web sites. Thanks and happy holidays to all KPS members.

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

Here we are getting ready for our annual Holiday dinner meeting—does it seem to you that time is passing more quickly than ever? We will once again dine at the Great American Steak & Buffet Restaurant, 900 Merchant's Drive at Clinton Highway, 6:30 pm. The cost is \$10.00 per person payable to our loyal Treasurer **Thomas Lane** at the restaurant. KPS will cover any additional cost and gratuity. The restaurant has a wide variety of items and service was excellent last year. I hope to see many of our members in attendance with spouses. Don't forget to bring along a philatelic or non-philatelic gift for our exchange, which was enjoyed by all who participated last year and should be more fun this year!

I would like the membership to think about having the club purchase a complete set of the Scott Catalogs for 2012. In the past, we could always stop by Bill Muenzer's shop and check out our stamps. The Knoxville Public Library orders only one set per year which can be taken out by card holders. As of today, they still don't have all of the volumes for 2012. The set is very heavy to lug around, and we would need a volunteer to be the club librarian if we decide to buy a set. When the next year's set becomes available we could auction off the old ones at our October club auction. The complete set runs about \$400.00 plus shipping. Think about it for future discussion, please.

Finally, we need to know how many people want to go on a bus trip to Atlanta, GA for the APS Ameri-Stamp/Southeastern Stamp EXPO on Saturday January 28th, 2012. We would leave Knoxville around 7:00 AM and return around 10:00 PM. **Tom Broadhead** has an estimate of \$1150 for a 32-person coach, and the cost to go would be \$20.00 for club members and family guests. Tom and **Jim Pettway** will e-mail you soon for an indication of interest.

*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – November 1, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church on Tuesday, November 1, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. President **Stu Hanlein** presided. There were 24 people present including two guests from the Tri-cities area stamp club.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as read. **Thomas Lane's** treasurer's report was approved; the current club accounts total \$9,227.64. In a recent action, the board approved the opening of a savings account at Bank East. The club currently owes \$640 to the Bill Muenzer estate.

An update on Knoxpex 2012 was given by **Charlie Wade**. **Stu Hanlein** reviewed the process for the Knoxpex auction. Members were reminded to vote for the preferred show cachet which **Ralph Dinwiddie** has posted on-line.

**Bruce Roberts** reported this will be the last night of the silent auction of the KPS Regency and Muenzer lots. Those unsold in this auction will be processed for "net sale" starting in January. A KPS sponsored bus trip to the January stamp show in Atlanta is questionable since there has been a low response. An email surveying members' intent will again be sent. The board will decide at the November 29th if the trip will be sponsored.

The annual Holiday party will be Tuesday, December 6 at the Great American Steak & Buffet on Merchants Drive. Cost to each member will be \$10.00. The club will "pick-up" any extra charges, tax and tip. If members

**The Knoxville Philatelic Society meets at 7:00 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church at 2931 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919.**

**Annual dues are \$15.00.**

### KPS Officers:

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| President      | Stu Hanlein  |
| Past President | Ralph Dinwiddie  |
| Vice President | Tom Ringenbach   |
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would like to participate in a gift exchange they may

bring a \$5.00 item. There will be a 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting on November 29 with a board meeting proceeding this "swap & trade meeting"

Following the business meeting, the program was a 3-page clothesline exhibit from member's collections. Thanks to those that exhibited.

Submitted by **Charlie Wade**, Secretary



**Stu Hanlein, Steve Daunt, and Barbara Steverson** viewed some of the "clothesline exhibits."

## Muenzer Estate Update

Last month's newsletter reported the upcoming auction of several stamps from Bill Muenzer's estate. At the November 21 Chicagopex auction conducted by Regency Stamp Auctions, they sold for a total of \$2530, half of which goes to KPS.

## Upcoming Events

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs – [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events).

December 6 – KPS monthly meeting and annual Holiday Dinner at the Great American Steak & Buffet – 900 Merchants Dr., Knoxville 37912. KPS gift exchange for members and guests. Meal cost is \$10.

January 3 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA – updates on Knoxpex 2012.

January 27-29 – AmeriStamp Expo – APS winter national show in Atlanta. Cobb County Galleria Center,

Two Galleria Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339. Let us know if you want to go for a charter bus day-trip. Family and friends are welcome, too.

## Stamp of the Month

The principality of Monaco is located on the Mediterranean coast of France. This month's stamp, a gift from **Mike Kauffman** and **Pat Goebel**, is the 25 centime stamp of the 2<sup>nd</sup> issue, showing Prince Albert I (Scott 13). It's catalog value is a hefty \$5.75.



Thanks for the holiday treat, Mike and Pat!

## Collecting U.S. Christmas Stamps and More

By Jim Pettway

Some years ago I became bored with my stamp collecting. I was to the point in my United States collection of needing only those stamps that were beyond my stamp budget for the most part. My foreign specialty collections were in about the same shape. So what to do? Start a fun topical collection. With a few used United States Christmas issues I had, I began a topical collection.

The first United States Christmas stamp was issued in 1962. The 4¢ Christmas Wreath stamp (Scott 1205) has been followed each year by a new Christmas issue or issues. In 1966 the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee approved the first religious Christmas stamp. The 5¢ Madonna and Child stamp (Scott 1321) was released under great controversy. Beginning in 1970 the Post Office Department began the issuance of both a religious Christmas stamp and a secular Christmas Stamp.



In addition to collecting U.S. Christmas stamps I have picked up a few First Day Covers from stamp/cover shows that I've attended. And I have even stretched my topical stamp collection and First Day of Issue covers to early Christmas cards (at right) that get my attention. My collection of Christmas stamps, covers and related material has been fun and inexpensive. You might want to consider starting your own topical collection. Make it your way and have some fun collecting. You don't have to spend a lot of money.

Recently I decided to join the American Topical Association (ATA). Members of this organization help each other by researching and compiling topical check lists to share with other members. Members also write interesting articles for the association's bi-monthly publication, *Topical Times*. If you are interested in joining the ATA just drop me an email: [jbpettway@comcast.net](mailto:jbpettway@comcast.net).



### ----- **Celebrate the Season – Don't Miss the KPS Holiday Dinner!**

Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00 – bring a guest & bring a gift to exchange! Don't forget to complete **Joe Kirker's** stamp quiz and bring it to the dinner. We'll meet at the Great American Steak & Buffet – 900 Merchants Dr., Knoxville 37912.



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## Web Sites You May Want to Visit

Keep sending me the links to web sites that you find interesting and helpful in your philatelic pursuits. Send me an e-mail at [tomwb50@aol.com](mailto:tomwb50@aol.com) with the web address and a few words about the content.

Recommendation from **Tom Broadhead**:

[www.philatelicfoundation.org](http://www.philatelicfoundation.org) – has a great search function (click on Certificate Search and fill in the form) with photos of stamps on which the Philatelic Foundation has rendered expert opinions. I did a search for US number 1 – there are 4254 listings! This site is a treasure trove of images of genuine, altered, and fake stamps.

## Your Comments on the USPS Rule to Allow Images of Living Persons on US Stamps

My vote is AGAINST putting living people on stamps. If someone is still considered worthy for several years after their death, then that should make them a candidate, but there are too many "here today, gone tomorrow" people of celebrity and notoriety for my taste. – **Beverly Rice**

As most stamp collectors seem to agree, I think this is a very bad idea. I have a few people in mind that I would consider worthy. But other people probably have recommendation I do not like, and vice-versa. Not only would this be a complicated process of selection and approval, I'm afraid it would become a forum for political or religious or social issues. I could foresee a 4-year cycle of George Bush, Dick Chaney & Billy Graham followed by 4-years of Barak Obama, Nancy Pelosi & Ralph Nader. Can you imagine the US Senate in a filibuster over who will be on this week's postage stamp; Everett Dirksen and Mike Mansfield would turn over in their grave. As another note, if this did come to reality, I would think as the winningest college football coach in history, Joe Paterno should be honored as was Bear Bryant and Knute Rockne. I'm sure my Penn State colleagues would concur..... Oops, so much for that idea! See what problems this could create. – **Charlie Wade**

Living US Presidents or Nobel Laureates – **Elaine Evans**



My choice would be Pee Wee Herman [aka Paul Reubens]. I think he exemplifies what America is all about! – **Mark Mitckes**

How about Peyton Manning? More than a football hero. – **Jim Pettway**

[editor's note – the photo on the left is Pee Wee Herman, the photo on the right is Peyton Manning.]



## Shopping for Stamps at the November KPS Meeting



**Elaine Evans** checked the APS Circuit Books for Egypt.



**Carly Baskette** and **Stu Hanlein** looked over recent US sheetlets.



**Charles Stinnett** and grandson, **Andrew**, found some bargains in the Regency auction purchases.

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, January 3**