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This Month at CCSC

U.S. Issues
1851-1857
By
Visiting
Guest Speaker
BoB Heglund

Doors Open: 6:30 PM
Meeting Starts: 7:00 PM

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Club Chatter

Here we are in March. New Years, Mardi Gras and Spring Break have come and gone and we are in the Lenten season, waiting for Easter! Is time moving as fast for everyone else or is it just me?

As the masthead broadcasts, Bob Heglund will be speaking this Tuesday night at the General Meeting held at the Lambeth House in the meeting room on the roof. Don't miss this one because Bob has been collecting and expertising for longer than most and has a wealth of knowledge about this subject. I've known Bob for many years and his station is one I spend a lot of time at each Happening in the summer.

Recently, I bought a starter collection of Canadian stamps. I think I'll like Canada for several reasons. First, it's history is not dissimilar to our own because they are our closest neighbor to the north. Their stamps like ours in the early days were engraved issues and some if not most of them were done here in the U.S. Too, they are very reasonable in cost to collect and like our early issues, tell wonderful stories. I think I am going to like collecting another "C" country.

Haven't heard any really stupendous news flashes from CCSC Members recently so all must be well during these "dark ages" before Easter.

I am always actively seeking contributors to this newsletter from our club membership and outside sources. We have had members produce an 8 page newsletter about an eventful search of South American Stamp Dealers in several countries there from notes he took while doing his job. We have Postal Historians who investigate the origin of stamp issues in this and other countries. We have US Postal historians that provide articles of interest based on covers from small towns in Louisiana and little known facts about our own personal history. Some of our contributors specialize in event covers, so called "crash" covers and important documents concerning our country's history. All of these subjects are tremendously interesting to our club members. We need to know more. We need to hear more from YOU, the acknowledged researcher of our favorite hobby, Philately.

Likewise, we need more members to volunteer doing a portion of a future meeting for general education to the membership. C'mon guys and gals (OK, gal), step up and be somebody. We are all your friends and colleagues. Let's all pitch in and help. That's just my opinion...I could be wrong.

Editor
E. W. Jatho, Jr.

Stories Behind the Stamps

I Don't Give a Hoot

The United States issued in the year 1978 for Wildlife Conservation a beautiful set of four stamps picturing owls native to the United States. They are Scott #'s 1760-1763. What I find so special about these stamps is that the engraving technique that was used and the printing in multicolor by the Giori press. The two countries that I think do multicolored engraved stamps best are the United States and France.

The owls pictured are the Great Gray Owl, the Saw-Whet Owl, the Barred Owl and the Great Horned Owl. These birds are all native to different parts of the United States. The importance on this issue not necessarily the owls themselves but the beautiful engraved artwork. The colors are excellent and the designs are great.

Although United States stamps today are greatly improved on clarity of printing, I think that an engraved stamp, whether it be one color or printed in multicolor is a small piece of great art. Because of the cost of production, engraved stamps are rarely done here in the U. S. anymore. But, they are my preference. So ya see! I really do give a hoot!

Louie Greer



The Minutemen

The Minutemen were members of teams of select men from the American colonial militia during the American Revolutionary War. They provided a highly mobile, rapidly deployed force that allowed the colonies to respond immediately to war threats, thus the name.

The Minutemen were among the first people to fight in the American revolution. The teams consisted of just about one quarter of the entire Colonial militia. They were generally younger men, more mobile and could blend in with non-combatants. Thus they were an effective part of a network for early response.

Also known as the Sons of Liberty, Minuteman Paul Revere and others spread the word that the British were coming. On April 19, 1775 the Minutemen mobilized quickly and in large numbers, along with the regular militia to strategically defeat the British under general Smith at the Battles Of Lexington and Concord. This event today is referred to as The Birth Of Liberty.

In commemoration of the first successful armed resistance to British forces during the nations first century of existence, the sculptor Daniel Chester French produced one of his best known statues The Concord Minute Man of 1775. It is pictured on the U. S. Stamp Scott 619

Louie Greer



Editor's Note: In the past two or three years, Louis Greer has invented and written this column which is now a staple of our newsletter. This should be an inspiration to the many of us that have not ever written an article for this publication or haven't written one for a long, long time. Please help me to help YOUR newsletter to become more diversified and valuable to your club.

Website in the Spotlight

The Stamp Auction Network

I have been toying with the idea of creating an "Auction Watch" column where upcoming auctions are reviewed and highlights are given monthly to our readership. What a concept! Actually, a lot of the "heavy lifting" is already done for anyone who wants to undertake this task for our newsletter. The site is called "SAN" or the Stamp Auction Network created by Tom Droege. *StampAuctionNetwork.com* is the #1 place to find Stamp Auction Catalogs, Auction Calendars, Images, Prices Realized, Auction Company Profiles, Articles and much more. Perhaps you receive Auction Catalogs that Tom has either overlooked or missed and you believe are worthwhile for members to know about. Until I can get a volunteer editor for this column, send your suggestions and a brief description with website to me at: ejatho@bellsouth.net.

Some current listings on SAN and dates of events are:

The March 2011 Collector's Series Sale - Spink Shreves Galleries - March 24-25, 2011

Apex Philatelic Auctions - Postal/Internet Only Sale - March 17, 2011

Status International - Public Auction - March 17, 2011 New at StampAuctionNetwork. Use Update Registration to add them to your auction list.

Regency-Superior - Public Sale: Stamps & Postal History - March 19, 2011

BEHR Philatelie - Private Treaty: Classic Stamps & World-wide Rarities - March 31, 2011

Cherrystone Auctions - Stamp Booklets of the World - April 6, 2011

Cherrystone Auctions - Rare Stamps and Covers of the World - April 6-7, 2011

This is a typical listing of a Featured Auction:

Danbury Stamp Sales, A Division of Daniel F. Kelleher Auctions, LLC. - Mail Sale - March 15, 2011 Danbury Stamp Sales, LLC a division of Daniel F. Kelleher Auctions, LLC presents United States, British Commonwealth, Worldwide Stamps and Postal History, Featuring the Beane Family Mass Postal History and Revenue Issues. Includes a vast array of United States postal history, most notably a strong California and Massachusetts (Beane) as well as a nice assembly of Western Expresses, Civil War, Advertising, Fancy Cancels, Issue covers, followed by almost 2500 lots of US stamps, including Plate Blocks, Coils, and High Quality, BOB, Revenue Issues with Cancels (Beane), Offices in China, Duck Hunting, Confederates, Possessions, Airmail Flights, Great Britain and Commonwealth with notable Australia, BNA, Hong Kong and Worldwide including China with many specialized varieties.

Ed Jatho

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Gen'l Mtg @ Lambeth House. 7:00pm To 9:00pm	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 BoD Mtg @ Dwayne Littauer's Home 7:00pm	23	24	25	26
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