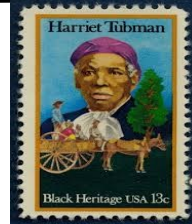




US Scott # 1152



US Scott # 1744

Women's History Month

Meetings / Activities

Meetings are held on 1st and 3rd Mondays (adjusted for holidays) at Christ Church 3440 Shroyer Rd Kettering OH 45429

For the Zoom invitation and link, please email daytonstampclub@gmail.com

Member's Socializing and Silent Auctions begin at 7:00 PM - Club Meeting & Programs begin at 7:30 PM Board Meetings begin at 7:00 PM.

Mar.3-4, McKinley Stamp Show, St. George Servian Social Hall, 4667 Applegrove St..NW,Hrs. Sat:10-5pm Sun:10-3p, 330-819-9999.

Mar 4 -Club Meeting & Program- In Person & Zoom, Member Bourse & Club Open House - Buy, Sell, Trade.

Mar 11 Board Meeting.

Mar 15-17- March Party 2024. Best Western Plus 15471 Royalton Rd. Hrs: Fri Sat 10-6pm Sun. 10-3pm. Garfield Perry Stamp Club 330-819-9999.

Mar 18—SILENT AUCTION 7:00-7:30PM, Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom Philippine Gorilla Stamps, DSC Member Speaker - Jack Matheny.

Apr/1— Club meeting & Program –in Person & Zoom; CLUB AUCTION #2

Apr/8—Board Meeting

Apr/15—Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom; Counterfeit Stamps DSC Member Speaker Frank Miller

May 6—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom Team Stamp Quiz Competition. Details to follow in newsletter.

May 13—Board Meeting.

May 20 - Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom; CLUB AUCTION #3.

May31-Jun1, COLOPEX 2024, Double-Tree Hilton Worthington, 175 Hutchinson Ave. Hrs. Fri:10-6pm Sat: 10-5pm, Columbus Philatelic Club., 614-306-3701.

Jun 3—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom; Weird Stuff First Day Covers - from the Simple to the Sublime and Sometimes Silly; Video by Lloyd de Vries



US Scott # 5283



US Scott # 3886



US Scott # 55232

Mary Eliza Mahoney, Nurse (1845–1926)



Mary Eliza Mahoney was one of the first black registered nurses in the US and fought to ensure that she and other black female nurses received the respect they deserved. She was one of the original members of what later became the American Nurses Association. Read about others: *Little*



Leaders: Bold Women in Black History (Harrison, 2017); *Mary Eliza Mahoney and the Legacy of African- American Nurses* (Darraj, 2005) Other women scientists like *Mary Eliza Mahoney: Florence Nightingale (1820–1910) was the founder of modern nursing. Clara Barton (1821–1912) was Nightingale's contemporary and the founder of the American Red Cross.*

Mae Jemison, Astronaut (1956–)

In 1992, Astronaut Jemison became the first African American woman to go to space aboard the shuttle Endeavor. She holds a medical degree, is a college professor, and founded a company to work with space-age technology.



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US Scott # 2271

Saint Patrick's Day is a religious and cultural holiday held on 17 March, the traditional death date of Saint Patrick (c. 385– c. 461), the foremost patron saint of Ireland.

Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early 17th century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion (especially the Church of Ireland), the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Lutheran Church. The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland and by

extension, celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, climate and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks. Christians who belong to liturgical denominations also attend church services and historically the Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol were lifted for the day, which has encouraged and propagated the holiday's tradition of alcohol consumption.

Celebrations in the United States.

Saint Patrick's Day, while not a legal holiday in the United States, is nonetheless widely recognized and observed throughout the country as a celebration of Irish and Irish-American culture. Celebrations include prominent displays of the color green, religious observances, numerous parades, and copious consumption of alcohol. The holiday has been celebrated in what is now the U.S. since 1600, with the first parade occurring in 1601.

It is customary for the Irish Taoiseach (Irish Prime Minister) to meet with the President of the United States on or around Saint Patrick's Day. Traditionally the Taoiseach presents the US president a Waterford Crystal bowl filled with shamrocks. This tradition began in 1952 when the Irish Ambassador to the US, John Hearne, sent a box of shamrocks to President Harry S. Truman. From then it became a yearly custom for the Irish ambassador to send Saint Patrick's Day shamrocks to an official in the US President's administration, although on some occasions the shamrocks were given personally by the Irish Taoiseach or Irish President to the US president in Washington. After the meeting between Taoiseach Albert Reynolds and President Bill Clinton in 1994, the presenting of the hamrocks became a yearly custom.

DAYTON STAMP CLUB: STAMP BUCK PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Revised February 2024 by the Board of Directors

ACTIVITY	AMOUNT	FREQUENCY	ACTIVITY	AMOUNT	FREQUENCY
Attendance			Activity		
Regular Meetings	20	per meeting	Creating Club competitions, quizzes, etc	200	each occurrence
Board Meetings	40	per meeting	1st place prize in competition	100	each occurrence
Bring Guest to Meeting	20	per meeting	2nd place prize in competition	60	each occurrence
When Guest Joins Club	40	each occurrence	3rd place prize in competition	40	each occurrence
Meeting Refreshment Setup	40	per meeting	Participation in club competition	20	each occurrence
A/V Zoom Setup	20	per meeting	Participation in scavenger hunt	60	each occurrence
Club Administration			Auctioneer at club auction	40	each occurrence
Chair of Board of Directors	400	Annual	Runner for auctioneer	20	each occurrence
Elected or Appointed Board Member	200	Annual	Treasurer assistant for auction	20	each occurrence
President, Secretary, Treasurer	300	Annual	Submitting auction lots	20	each occurrence
1st, 2nd Vice President	200	Annual	Chapter Representative to APS or ATA	100	Annual
Librarian, Historian	200	Annual	Club Newsletter Editor/Publisher	150	per issue
Committees			Submitting article to club newsletter	200	each occurrence
AIRPEX Chair	200	Annual	Club photo published in newsletter	20	per photograph
Advertising Director	100	Annual	Webmaster	200	Annual
Refreshment Director	100	Annual	APS Sales Book Manager	200	Annual
Exhibit Director	100	Annual	Stamp Buck Manager	200	Annual
Printing, Graphic Design	100	Annual	Presentations and Exhibits		
AIRPEX Bourse Chair	200	Annual	Presenting an original or prepared program at a club meeting	200	each occurrence
Bourse Assistant	60	Annual	Participating in a brief presentation such as "my favorite stamp, etc."	20	each occurrence
Nominating Chair	200	Annual	Philatelic Exhibit at a stamp show plus 20 per frame	200	each occurrence
Catering/Chef Chair	200	Annual	Philatelic Exhibit at club meeting 1-4 pages	20-80	each occurrence
Silent Auction Chair	100	per Auction	Vendor at Buy/Sell/Trade	20	each occurrence
Membership Chair	200	Annual	Published in National Philatelic Journal	200	each occurrence
Activities/Calendar Prep Chair	200	Annual	Contact Tony Kosarew to collect earned Stamp Bucks		
Appointed Special Committee Chair	200	Annual			
Serving on a Committee		(See below)			
Labor					
Physical labor at function	40	per hour			
Work at function with no physical labor	20	per hour			
Typing minutes other than secretary	20	per occurrence			

Serving on a Committee (to be determined by committee chair)

Great American Stamp Show 2024: Beware of Hotel Scams

American Philately Society leaders received reports from members that organizations unaffiliated with the APS are claiming to offer booking services for hotels during GASS 2024 in Hartford. These offers may look legitimate, but they are not. The APS does not work with companies for special offers on hotels. Information about hotel blocks and other travel details will always come directly from our website.

New USPS Releases 2024



March 9—Ten forever commemorative



March 16 Garden Delights, four forever stamps, double-sided pane of 20.



March 22 Wedding Blooms, Single two-ounce special stamp in pane of 20



March 15 Bluegrass forever commemorative stamp is pane of 20



March 22 Celebration Blooms forever special stamp, Single in pane of 20



March 27 Save the Manatees, Single forever stamp, double-sided pane of 20

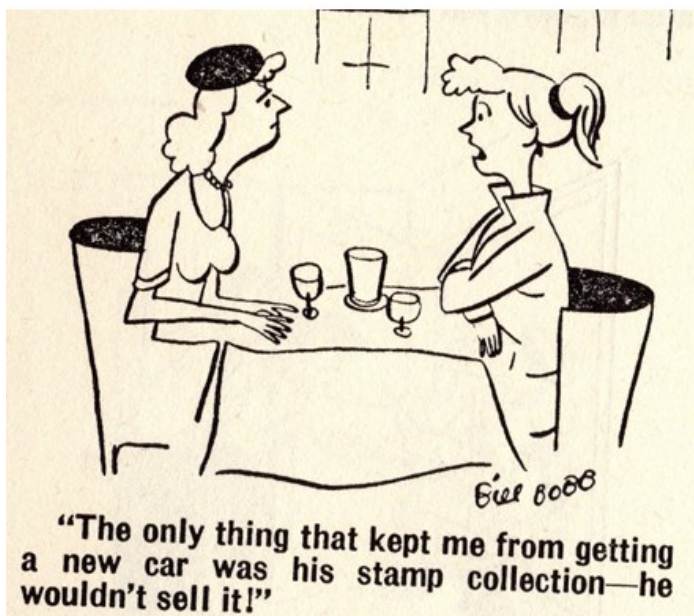
APS Announces New Free Digital Magazine

The American Philatelic Society launched a free quarterly digital magazine in February 2024. Dubbed StampEd, the magazine invites the digital generation to connect with stamp collecting in new and exciting ways.

StampEd engages beginner and non-traditional collectors with innovative philatelic content that enlightens and inspires. The magazine shares entry-level practical collecting advice and mentorship; explores the connections between stamp collecting and other interests; and celebrates the growing online community of active collectors.

"StampEd's target audience, the digital generation, actually looks a lot like me," said APS Editor-in-Chief Susanna Mills. "We come to stamp collecting through different avenues than the average APS member. StampEd celebrates that, us, and everything we are: curious, artistic, energetic, crafty, (maybe a bit chronically online), and most of all, genuine. Did I mention that it's free?"

The team behind *The American Philatelist* – Mills, Senior Editor Jeff Stage, and Graphic Designer Chad Cowder – will also head up production of the new magazine. To pitch an article for upcoming issues, please email stampedit@stamps.org.



Write For Your Newsletter

What story do you have to tell about one of your stamps or how you gained that stamp or where you went to find that stamp.

A good story to share with others. Send your story to editor of this newsletter.

Foreign Focus: Finland's Stamps and Postal History

By Douglas Files

Finland is a Scandinavian nation adjacent to Russia and Sweden. Its 5.6 million inhabitants mostly speak the Finnish language, which is very different from English. The country belongs to the European Union, which it joined in 1995. Its geography is known for its 180,000 lakes and the nation has a low population density. Finland has a low birth rate and its population is rapidly aging as are many industrial nations. The Finnish culture is famous for its saunas.

Finnish postal history



A 1895 cover showing one of the first Finnish stamps \ Image from dealer Jay Smith's website, <https://www.jaysmith.com/Lists/Finland/Finland-Covers-Unsorted-Page-01.html>

From the 1300s until the early 1800s Finland formed part of the Kingdom of Sweden. A few stampless cover letters written by private individuals are known from that era. Most letters at that time were sent by officials, members of the royal family, the clergy and the upper classes. Letters were carried by private courier until the Finnish postal system was established in 1638. Once the postal service took over mail delivery its clerks usually wrote a "recording number" in the upper left corner of the cover. This is how these early Finnish stampless covers can be identified today. In addition to the national postal service, various provinces also established internal mail delivery systems in the 1600s.

The army of Tsar Alexander I of Russia conquered Finland in 1809, after which it became an autonomous region within the Russian Empire. Stampless covers continued to be sent in these years and cancellations began to appear in 1812. The major Finnish postal event of the early 1800s occurred when a cholera epidemic broke out in 1831. Outgoing mail was disinfected during 1831 and 1832 by punching holes in letters. Finnish stampless covers from before 1850 are generally quite rare and command fairly high prices.

The first Finnish stamps were issued in 1856 at a time when the nation was still part of the Russian empire. Accordingly many of its early postage stamps resemble Russian ones of the period. The first Finnish issue was distinct, however, with its 5-kopek and 10-kopek colored ovals on square white paper. Not many stamps from any nation have resembled these colorful ovals. Most of this issue's stamps were cancelled with pen marks; such covers bearing a hand cancel command a premium.

Before 1860 the currency of Finland was the Russian ruble but after that date it changed to Finnish markka and pennia (100 pennia = 1 markka). This monetary system was in place until 2002 when Finland adopted the euro. The local name for Finland is "Suomi", which may derive from a Proto-Baltic word meaning "land". Many of its stamps can be identified by this name and modern issues often show both "Suomi" and "Finland"

The next issue of Finnish stamps may be familiar to readers because the stamps bore an unusual serpentine rouletting. — —

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1856 five-kopek colored oval stamp from Finland

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Activities and Happenings

Jun 10—Board Meeting.

Jun 17—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom; Masonic Philately; DSC Member Speaker - Rocky Jackson.

Jul 1—SILENT AUCTION 7:00-7:25PM; Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom; Red, White, and Blue item from your Collection; Member Participation 4-6 minutes

Jul 8 Board Meeting.

Jul 15—Picnic at Church Picnic Shelter - 6:30 PM; Picnic Church OPEN for restroom access.

Aug 5—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom CLUB AUCTION #4

Aug 12—Board Meeting; AIRPEX Preview.

Aug 8—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom; Stamp/Cover That Illustrates an Item on My Bucket List (or would, if I had a one); Member Participation - 4-6 minutes

Aug 23-24 (Fri-Sat) ; AIRPEX @ IBEW Hall (F:12-6pm; Sa:10am-4pm)

Sep 2—No Meeting—Labor Day Holiday - Church Closed.

Sep 9— Board Meeting—AIRPEX Review

Sep 16—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom CLUB AUCTION #5

Sep 23 - 4th Monday; Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom—Duck Stamps; DSC Member Speaker - Pat Westby.

Oct 7—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom; My Favorite Stamp from My Birth Decade - Member Participation - 4-6 Minutes

Oct 14—Board Meeting.

Oct 21—Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom How to Prepare Collection for Disposing of Collection - Video & Handouts.

Nov 4 - Club Meeting & Program - In Person & Zoom; CLUB AUCTION #6

Nov 11— Board Meeting; Set 2024 calendar & budget review.

Nov 18 - SILENT AUCTION 7:00-7:25PM; Club Meeting & Program - Club Election for 2025; Christmas Seals Exhibit / Discussion with Bill Streisel, Doug Files, et al

Dec 2—Holiday/PEX Party Start at Church – Dinner Party At Church

Dec 9—Board Meeting

Dec 16—No meeting—Enjoy the Holiday Season!

—continued from page 5 Finland's History

This was often done with gauge 7.5 or gauge 8 (that is, 7.5 or 8 serrations per 2 centimeters). These early rouletted stamps are still sought by philatelists due to their many subtypes of rouletting and paper. (To put it is U.S. stamp



1860 and 1866 stamps showing serpentine rouletting Images from stamp collecting world website, <https://www.stamp-collecting->

terms, they are “the Washington-Franklins of Finland”). Collectors should be aware that this issue has been forged so caution is indicated when buying expensive stamps with serpentine rouletting. Catalogue values for this issue usually offer pricing for stamps with full teeth still present, though 150 years later many of them lack teeth. Many teeth were damaged on removing the stamps from the sheet. So for later issues this unusual perforation method was abandoned. Finland began to perforate stamp sheets the common way in 1875.

Starting in the 1880s many Russians became angry at the



Cover from Helsinki, the capital of Finland. Note that the stamps read “Suomi” and “Finland”. This stamp issue was used from 1930 until 1952 Image from dealer Jay Smith's website, <https://www.jaysmith.com/Lists/Finland/Finland-Covers-Unsorted-Page-02.html>

liberties the Tsar permitted the Finns as an autonomous region, such as the rights to choose their own parliament and to issue their own postage stamps. So some rights were taken away from the Finns, which stoked their ire. One of the changes implemented in the late 1800s was to make the stamps of Finland more like Russian stamps. When Russia was pre-occupied during the Russian Revolution of 1917 Finland declared independence from Russia and since then it has operated as a democratic republic.

As Finland matured as a democracy its economic situation improved until currently its citizens enjoy a living standard among the highest in the world. Accordingly the nation has issued many attractive modern-appearing postage stamps. One feature of the modern Finnish postal system is that customers can pay an extra fee and place their own photos on personal-



1986 Europa stamp showing a seal emphasizing nature conservation Image by Postal administration of Finland (Posti) - scan of original, Public Domain, <https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=66454197>

ized postage stamps, which are then valid for use on mail.

For more information of Finland's stamps:

The website “Postal History from Finland 1889-1918” is run by a Danish philatelist and carries extensive information about this topic. It can be found at <https://www.jiv.dk/finland/index.php>

If you have occasion to visit Finland, the nation runs a well-regarded postal museum. This philatelic marvel opened in Helsinki in 1926 with just a few rooms. Over the years it has greatly expanded, with the exception of World War II when it was forced to close for several years. A larger museum was opened in 1962 and the 1970s and 1980s saw continued expansion. In 2014 the museum moved from the capital of Helsinki to the city of Tampere. The Finnish postal museum's website can be consulted at , <https://www.postimuseo.fi/en/history-of-the-finnish-postal-museum/>.

Finland has stamp collecting clubs and many American collectors of stamps from Finland belong to the Scandinavian Collectors Club (SCC). This active group runs robust auctions, encourages the borrowing of books from a philatelic library and it publishes a colorful and varied quarterly journal called “The Posthorn”. The SCC began in 1935 as the Finnish-American Stamp Club, then later other Scandinavian philatelic groups merged into a larger organization. For more information check out the SCC's website at <http://www.scc-online.org/>.

This article only contains the briefest introduction to the stamps and postal history of Finland. Most of this nation's stamps are not particularly rare or expensive so collecting Finnish stamps can offer a fulfilling way for enterprising collectors to learn about a friendly foreign nation and its people.

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TIME: Friday 9am-9pm and Saturday 9am-3pm.

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Access to the venue is direct walk-in with no steps

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.There is plenty of reasonably priced lodging in the area.

The OPC business meeting will be at 2pm on Friday.

For more information, contact at 740-260-2891 or Marty Adams martyprecancel@gmail.com

Garfield-Perry March Party 2024 to host Stamp Show and First-Day Ceremonies

The Garfield-Perry March Party 2024 stamp exhibition will host two first-day ceremonies during the March 15-17 stamp show at the Best Western Plus, 15471 Royalton Road in Strongsville OH.

At 12 pm Friday, March 15, a ceremony will be held for a sheet of stamps in the United Nations Flag series. The sheet of eight features four designs, and the stamps are denominated \$1.55 for use at U.N. headquarters in New York City.

A ceremony for the set of four United States Garden Delights stamps will take place at 11 am Saturday, March 16. The four designs are forever stamps in a pane of 20. This will be a local ceremony because the Postal Service is not sponsoring an official first-day ceremony for this issue.

More information on the Garfield-Perry stamp Club and its March Party 2024 is available at www.garfieldperry.org.

The 2024 Plymouth Show*

www.plymouthshow.com

Saturday, April 20, 2024 10 am—5:30 pm

Sunday, April 21, 2024 10 am—3 pm



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