

# The Messenger



July 2019

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Waldo Public Library  
Gather at 1:00  
Meeting Starts 2:00  
Saturday, July 6th

## Our Secretary Reports What You Missed:

Meeting Attendance: 29

The meeting was called to order by Jim at 2 pm.

Jim talked briefly about the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show that he attended and the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library. The show is a great show and the library a wonderful resource for collectors.

Jim asked for the definition of a "Dead Country." We'll see next month how many different, varying definitions there are. The Kansas City Postcard Show is June 21-22 at the Radisson Inn at I-35 and 95<sup>th</sup>. Scott Couch will be among the dealers at this event. It is good to see Victor back with us.

Treasurer: No report

Membership: No report

Secretary: Mike thanked Barbara for taking notes at the May meeting. Mike also seconded what Jim said about the Rocky Mountain show and library. If you haven't been to the show or checked out the library, add both to your To-do list. Finally, for members planning to attend the show in Omaha, there are some excellent seminars being offered. Postal History of the Holocaust; Post Office Historical Research Techniques Supporting Cover Documentation; and Applying Different Philatelic Lenses to the Trans-Mississippi Issues. The fee for each is \$45 for APS members (\$90 for non-members) and the registration deadlines is July 10.

Newsletter: Editor is looking for contributions from members

Librarian: Nothing new to report.

Historian: Nothing new to report.

Old business: No old business.

New business: No new business.

Show and Tell: Steven-Caution on E bay stamps, there are reproductions out there, in particular Indian states; Taiwan cover with interesting franking. Armen-Anguilla overprints that may or may not be errors; Canadian millennium collectible tin with medallion and 2 souvenir sheets. George-Tangier Telegraph stamps.

Program: Ron Bayless-How I Got Started. It's always interesting to hear how others got started collecting stamps and how their interests have developed over the years. Thanks, Ron.

Respectively submitted by Michael Keil

## What You Will Miss (if not there):

Mike Miklovic will give a program titled, **Poland**. Looking forward to that plus whatever shows up in show and tell. **Scott Couch will be there with his stock of stamps**. Email Scott for particular needs or areas of interest. Don't forget about our great auction.

## Philatelic Happenings:

### Great Philatelic Opportunities Coming Our Way:

#### July 28th-Sunday

#### **E and D Stamp Auction**

1:30pm

3025 Merriam Lane

Kansas City, KS 66106

Last auction for current owner Jim Allen

#### July 26th-28th-Friday-Sunday

#### **Americover 2019**

Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel

9801 Natural Bridge Rd

St. Louis, MO

#### August 1-4, Thursday-Sunday

#### **APS/ATA STAMPSHOW**

#### **OMAHA**

CHI Health Center Omaha

455 N. 10th St.

Omaha, NE 68102

## Upcoming New U.S. Issues:

Frogs-Forever, First Class  
Four Designs, Booklet Pane of 20  
Issue Date July 9th



50th Anniversary Moon Landing-Forever, First Class  
Two Designs, Pane of 24  
Issue Date July 19th



State Fairs, Forever, First Class  
Four Se-Tenant Designs, Pane of 20  
Issue Date July 25th



Military Working Dogs  
Four Designs, Pane of 20  
Issue Date August 1st  
First Day Ceremony in Omaha at the APS/ATA show  
go to APS website for details.



*How often is a first day event this close?*

## Philatelic Ramblings:

The T-Rex stamp was not issued in June as previously reported. It just got reported that it will have an August 29th release date. It will be a pane of 16.

As was reported at the last meeting, we have cancelled our regular meeting for August due to the APS/ATA Omaha Show being held the same weekend. In light of that, there will also be no newsletter for August. Expect more news in the September newsletter.



This editor would appreciate pics from the APS/ATA show and any news that you could share for the September newsletter.

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[www.midwestphilatelicsociety.com](http://www.midwestphilatelicsociety.com)  
Find previous newsletters, links to other stamp info and more on our website.



## Last Month's Stamp Question:

Only one member responded about our question last month. "Dead Countries" what does that mean to a philatelist. How many are there currently? Secretary and member Michael Keil was the only member to respond. He found in *Linn's Glossary of Philatelic Terms*, "A dead country is a former stamp issuing entity that has ceased issuing its own stamps. Also, the old name of an active stamp issuing entity that has changed its name so that the old name will no longer be used on a stamp." Michael wondered, as I do, if this includes the Trucial States? I know that Scott's has never considered them stamp issuing entities, while some of the European catalogues (such as Michel's) do have them in the catalog.

That answers the definition of a dead country but how many are there currently? I don't know and Michael didn't know. Okay, where are all you worldwide collectors? Any one want to count?



Schleswig #12  
View of Schleswig

One country that is dead and gone is Schleswig, located in the northern part of Schleswig-Holstein Province, in northern Germany. After the Versailles treaty of WWI, Schleswig was divided into North and South Schleswig. In 1920, a vote was taken and North Schleswig voted to join Denmark, South Schleswig voted to stay in Germany. Although Hitler never openly challenged the Danish/German border, it didn't prevent Hitler from invading Denmark in 1940. After WWII nothing really changed, hence it is a "dead country".



Schleswig #6  
Arms of Schleswig

## History Quiz of the MPS from Historian Bob:

When the Midwest Philatelic Society was known under the name of the Kansas City Stamp Club, the members had silver membership pins made to resemble a famous stamp. Our present seal is based on this stamp.



What triangular shaped stamp inspired this design?



A.



B.



C.



D.

## APS/ATA Omaha Show:

We will not have our regular meeting in August due to the upcoming APS/ATA show in Omaha that weekend. The show dates are August 1-4 and it will be held at the following location:

CHI Health Center Omaha  
455 N. 10th St.  
Omaha, NE 68102

Included with this newsletter is the complete day by day, hour by hour schedule as has been released. Look it over and you will see how much there is to do.

Besides exhibits, 35+ meetings & seminars, On-the-Road Courses and 72+ dealers, there will be a First Day ceremony at the show for the new Military Working Dogs issue. If you have never been to a First Day ceremony, it can be quite fun and educational. There will be a special show Cachet & Cancel for this issue. Admission to the show is free but pre-registration is recommended to help save you time at the on-site registration. You can do that through the APS website and find out more info about the show. The APS website is stamps.org.



## A Changing of the Guard:

E and D Stamp Auction changes ownership this summer. Current owner Jim Allen's last auction is Sunday, July 28th. The new owner, Dale Goeller takes over September 1st. I sat down recently with the two of them to talk about the auction house and the transition.

The business started in either 1989 or 1990 as John's Stamps of the World and was owned by John Timmons. The auction part of the business started originally as a mail bid auction, which was monthly. Then in 1999 Ed Myer and Don Kuske acquired the business and renamed the business E and D Stamp Auction. Ed and Don changed it to the business model you see today. Auction catalog and floor auctions several times a year. When they were ready to retire from the day to day stamp business they found a new owner in Jim Allen. He bought the business in January of 2010 and has operated and grown the business over this current decade.

With Jim and his wife Beth wanting to retire and go to Hawaii, he decided to sell the business. In walks former Marine, Army Reservist and retired Navy Supply Corps Officer, Dale Goeller. Dale's background to the stamp world was as a child and only recently as an adult. He had a small collection of Germany as a child, now collects anything "cheap" worldwide and has developed an interest in postal stationary, such as U.S.

Dale doesn't plan on any big changes to the business at first except for one. He plans on moving the business to North Kansas City. He has found a location that is on the ground floor with just two small steps up in to the building. The restroom facilities are located on the second floor but two Quick Trips are close by to stop at on your way in or out. Lots of great places to eat near this location also. Just south of Armour Rd and a couple of blocks east of Burlington St., behind the Dollar General. Easy to get to from whatever direction you come from. The new address starting in September will be 1901A Clay St, North Kansas City, MO 64116.

The Kansas City Area philatelic world are thankful that Jim found a buyer to continue this 30 year old business. It would have been a big hole in this part of the country had it not continued.



**US #279Bc**  
**Pinkish Rose Carmine**  
**Lot # 131**

I certainly have found much to fill my collection over the years from this business. This is where I acquired the block of six, Scott #279Bc pinkish rose carmine issue that I reported in last month's newsletter. One of those stamps from the block of six, Jim will feature in the July auction. It is a very unique item that I have searched since getting it certified and have found none reported sold by the big philatelic auction houses. Jim may be going out with a first with that issue.

While very sorry to see Beth and Jim move on. We wish them all the best in their new endeavors and best of luck to new owner Dale. We look forward to his first auction, November 17th in the new North Kansas City location.

JMC

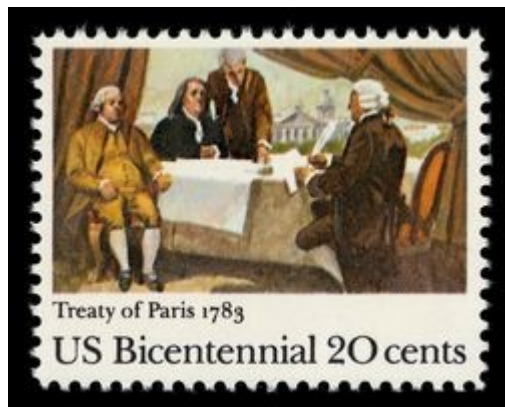


**Hey GB collectors, where is a stamp of the Buckingham Palace Guards or is it some royal rule, no depictions of these dedicated soldiers of the British Army on a stamp. They are all over souvenirs around the palace though.**

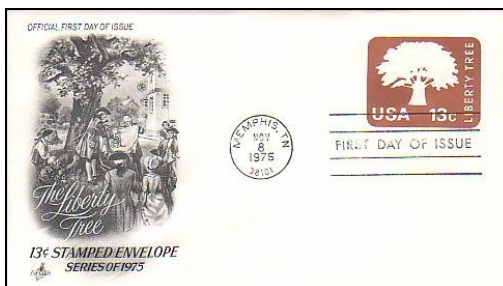


## Is the Philatelic World Ready for the Semiquincentennial:

This year marks the 243rd Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, which of course marks this nation's birthday. With the lengthy time it seems to take for the design and issuance of a new stamp, I fear that the U.S.P.S. is behind. For the U.S. Bicentennial, lots of stamps, postal cards and postal stationery was designed and issued from 1971 to 1983.



**US #2052**  
Signing of Treaty of Paris



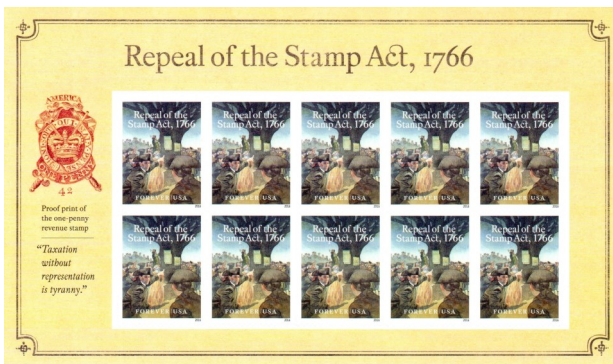
**US #U576**  
Stamped Envelope  
Liberty Tree, Boston



**US #1432**  
Bicentennial  
Commission Emblem

That first 8c stamp issued for the Bicentennial was in 1971, 5 years before the 200th celebration. If we have a similar schedule for the 250th, we should see something issued on July 4th, 2021. That is only two years away. The City of Philadelphia formed a commission in 2014 to look into hosting the event. A 33 member U.S. commission has been formed and is working on the celebration itself but will it even equal what was done in 1976. Will other stamp issuing entities around the world issue anything at all. There are a few that will cash in as they do on almost every subject. Some issue more stamps each year than they have people on their island.

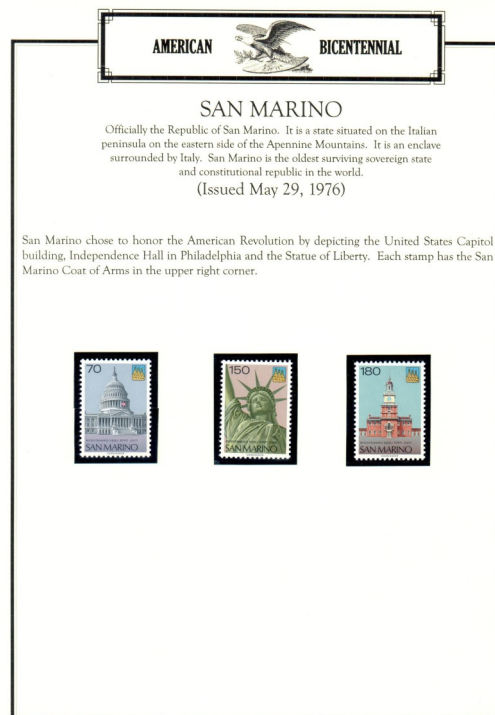
As a nearly life long collector of the Bicentennial issues from the U.S. and around the world, I would be very disappointed if it is overlooked by all.



**US #5064**  
Repeal of the Stamp Act,  
250th Anniversary

Perhaps I am wrong that it is being overlooked. After all in 2016 a beautiful sheet was issued commemorating the Repeal of the Stamp Act. I saved an extra sheet for the new collection I hope to compile and save for the Semiquincentennial. Say *that three times fast with your mouth full!*

We have already missed the Townshend Acts. These acts taxed various household items on the colonists which was greatly resented. Next year a stamp should come out about the Boston Massacre. I won't hold my breath.



**Page from Bicentennial Album**  
**San Marino #885-87**  
Signing of Treaty of Paris

JMC

## Stamp Tip:

In going through a past auction acquisition that had been too long neglected, I needed a Vario page or something to slip a French Postal letter into. I went to my stash. As a collector, I am also a hoarder of philatelic supplies. I really never get rid of anything. I found the size I wanted but another Vario page was stuck to it. An old sticker/label that had either fell off or I pulled off had left a sticky residue on the size I wanted to use. Oh what to do? Remembering that I had the perfect thing to remove that sticky stuff, I went to the cabinet I keep cleaning supplies and pulled off the shelf, Goo Gone.

Dampen a rag lightly with the Goo Gone and rub gently on the surface you wish to clean. Then once removed, take a clean cloth dampened with warm water and wipe any residue away. I let the Vario page dry completely, then slipped in the item and put it into my notebook.

I found years ago this product worked great on removing all kinds of unwanted marks in the store I had. In fact I liked it so much I stocked the item on the variety store shelf. It is somewhat safer than lighter fluid and doesn't discolor some plastics like lighter fluid can. It is still flammable so don't smoke around it. And dispose of your rag properly. I usually rise it out with warm water before throwing the rag out.

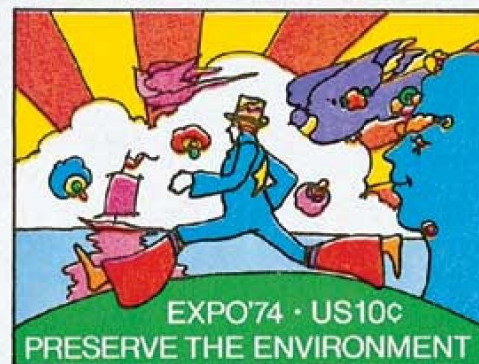


**US #1134**  
100th Anniversary of the  
Petroleum Industry  
Oil Derrick

Now for you environmentalists, you may not care to use this product since it is a by-product of the petroleum industry. I for one appreciate all the inventive ways the petroleum industry has found to use the "waste" from making gasoline and other products. And this product works!



**Canada #294**  
Oil Wells, Alberta  
Development of oil wells in Canada



**US #1527**  
EXPO '74 WORLD'S  
FAIR ISSUE  
"Cosmic Jumper" &  
"Smiling Sage"  
Designed by Peter Max

## MPS quiz answer:

Here is the answer to our quiz question from pg 3:

**Answer: C. Cape of Good Hope**

**It would be interesting to know why this design and stamp was selected. Perhaps Historian Bob has more to share or is it lost to our history.**

**How many countries issued stamps in honor of the U.S. Bicentennial?**

**Found out in the September issue of this newsletter.**

**The issue to the right is from India #C8.**



Hope you enjoyed this month's newsletter and thanks to Michael K. & Bob B. for their contributions. You can contribute too by emailing me for next month's issue. **Deadline for the September issue will be August 15th.** Happy stamping and see you Saturday. *Jim Mc*