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Hobby Notes

- newsletter of the
Warrenton Stamp and Coin Club



Fauquier County Courthouse
in Old Town Warrenton

Special points of interest:

- *Door prizes donations are always appreciated*
- *Give us your ideas for future programs (our cupboard is bare)*

March 3rd Show Preparation and Show-and-Tell

This is the final meeting before our Club's Fourth Annual Stamp and Coin Show, so we may need some discussion of last minute arrangements. Tony has been very busy with the planning, and from the looks of things, we may not have much more to do. Once again, THANKS to Tony for all his efforts.

We will probably have time after talking about the Show, so be sure to bring a Show-and-Tell item to share. I didn't cook up a theme for this edition of this popular program, so just bring what you wish. I plan to bring a Burma WWII cover that I just acquired for \$5 on eBay, but it is a treasure to me. So bring some treasure, bring some trash, bring something new, something old. As always, however, make sure you bring something cool.

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2011 WSCC Annual Stamp and Coin Show

The Club's Stamp and Coin Show is nearly here. It will be on Saturday, March 26 (hours: 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) and will be held at the Boys and Girls Club of Fauquier at 169 Keith St., at the former site of the Old Town Athletic Club. The new location offers ample free parking on site, no stairs to climb, and a much larger space (so we will have plenty of room for displays).

Elvis will not make an appearance this year, but we hope he can fit us into his busy schedule for next year's Show. Any final suggestions? Exhibits you would like to fit in? If you have any questions, this meeting is the time to raise them. Tony has covered just about everything (table sizes, lighting, electrical outlets, room layout, etc) so we should be ready to go. Most of all do you have ideas to draw crowds? Dealers as are the lifeblood of our Show, and we want them to come back next year - so if we can pull in the customers, they will return.

HOBBY NOTES

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Guests and new members are always welcome. Drop by and join us.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month (except for the January holiday dinner) at the SunTrust Bank in Warrenton. SunTrust is located at the intersection of Routes 17 & 29, in the Warrenton Center shopping center, near Rankin's Hardware (Enter the front doors

of the bank and go downstairs to the Meeting room).

The meetings start at 7:00 pm. We conduct our business, and then begin an informal 30-minute program, which alternates between coin and stamp topics. The program is usually followed by an auction of stamps, coins, and

other hobby items. We finish around 9:00 pm.

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ABOUT THE CLUB

"If you like stamps or coin, you're welcome to join"

The Warrenton Stamp and Coin Club is a not-for-profit organization based in Warrenton Virginia, but has members from all over the region, including Casanova, Manassas, Culpeper and Fredericksburg. Meetings are held each month, and the programs are broad enough to interest both stamp and coin collectors. Annual dues are \$12 for adults (and junior members pay no dues). Visitors and guests are always welcome. All prospective members shall be able to receive two consecutive editions of the newsletter before being dropped for non-payment of dues. The Club actively supports the Boy Scouts' merit badge programs, and has raised funds for local high school scholarships. Our website address is:

<http://www.wsccl.site11.com/>

UPCOMING CLUB PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

March	26	WSCC Show
April	7	TBA
May	5	TBA

Noted in passing...

The March 7th edition of *Linn's Stamp News* carried an announcement of the Warrenton Stamp and Coin Club Annual Show - thanks Bill Clair!

Last month Gregg gave a nice program on the currency of the Confederacy - can anyone do the same for Civil War stamps or postal history? The February 21st issue of *Linn's Stamp News* had a fine article by Ken Lawrence titled, "The 1861 demonetization of postage at the start of the U.S. Civil War." I expect there are dozens of stories to tell about stamps and currency during that period - the designs, distribution, storage, and what each army did with stamps and currency when they captured stockpiles from the other side. I confess I know little about the Civil War and stamp collecting, and even less about Civil War currency (were there CSA coins?). Maybe over the next few years, some member can share what they have learned.

On Wednesday, March 23 (6:45 to 9 P.M.), at the National Postal Museum, John Hotchner speaks about how stamp subjects and designs are selected, how production mistakes can occur, and a wide range of related topics. Hotchner is a prolific philatelic writer, a past President of the APS and served on the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Board.

WEB SITE OF THE MONTH:

Tony suggested this month's featured site, and it's one I would not have thought of - You Tube ! <http://www.youtube.com/>

The address above takes to the home page, and then you can search to your heart's content. Usually I cite web pages that highlights either stamps or coins - it's difficult to find one that overlaps both hobbies. But this one does just that. From the home page search engine you can enter "coins" and find nothing of interest. But enter "coin collecting" and over 3,000 results appear. Try "numismatics" or "gold coins." OK, you can even try "stamp collecting."

Upcoming Hobby Shows

March	5-6	SPRINGPEX, Springfield VA
March	12	Rainbow Philatelic Stamp Bourse, Yorktown VA
March	26	WSCC Annual Stamp Show
May	14	ROAPEX, Roanoke VA

RAYMOND'S COLUMN

– NOTES FROM THE PAST PRESIDENT

In honor of the Oscar presentations, here is a list of all the actors and actresses who have been commemorated on a U.S. postage stamp. Who can delve into the archives and learn how many of them won an Academy Award? And how many Oscar winners have NOT been on a stamp? (no prizes for all this work, but maybe we can present a statue)

Actors

D. Abrams
Gilbert Anderson
Gene Autry
John & Lionel Barrymore
Jack Benny
Milton Berle
William Boyd
Raymond Burr
Jimmy Cagney
Art Carney
Lon Chaney, Sr. & Jr.
Charles Chaplain
George M. Cohan
Gary Cooper
Bing Crosby
James Dean
Douglas Fairbanks
W. C. Fields
Henry Fonda
Clark Gable
Jack Gilbert
Jackie Gleason
Cary Grant
William S. Hart
Al Jolson
Buster Keaton
Harold Lloyd
Bela Lugosi
Alfred Lunt
Tom Mix
Clayton Moore
Ozzie Nelson
Edward G. Robinson
Roy Rogers
Will Rogers
Jimmy Stewart
William Talman
Rudy Valentino
John Wayne

Actresses

Fran Allison
Clara Bow
Greta Garbo
Audrey Hepburn
Katherine Hepburn
Vivian Leigh
Hattie McDaniel
Ethel Merman
Marilyn Monroe
Harriet Nelson
Za Su Pitts
Vivian Vance

At Last Month's Meeting...

At the February meeting, we welcomed a new Member, Matt Reavis. The Treasurer's report showed \$1035.36 in our account. Gerry will file the required tax form for the Club, a non-profit organization. We renewed Club memberships in the ANA and APS, and voted to pay dues to the Virginia Numismatic Association (VNA). We spent \$100 at the dinner/meeting at Ledo Pizza (for one round of drinks and a tip).

Bill Miller reported that he had spoken with Emilio's widow, Tish, and she is doing as well as can be expected. She plans to donate some of Emilio's collection to the Club for its auction. Raymond received a card from Tish, thanking the Club for its support and expressions of sympathy.

Doug noted the Boy Scouts Merit Badge Expo will be held on the same day as our Show, and he would not be able to attend it this year, as he has done for several years. We had no volunteers to lead a session on Coin- and Stamp-Collecting, so the Club will not be represented for the first time in many years.

Tony went over details of the upcoming Show, and verified who will have tables, who has paid, and got volunteers for the many tasks (set-up, staffing the greeting table, clean up at the end, and everything in between). Elvis will not make an appearance, and Brian will send a Get Well card to Dennis for his recovery from hip surgery. Tony presented a floor diagram, and an hour-by-hour schedule of events. On the day of the Show, the chairs and tables will arrive at 7 a.m. We have no spare tables - if anyone needs another, or wants to display an exhibit, they must supply their own. Dealers must bring their own lamps, extension cords (and masking tape to secure the cords on the floor), power strips for multiple plug-ins, and should consider brooms and dustpans for clean-up. We have arrangements for publicity, signage, materials at the greeting table and at the Kids' Corner, door prizes, and the raffle. Tony has organized the Show very well.

We enjoyed a detailed program by Gregg about Confederate Currency, and he showed a book that catalogued the various types of notes, and varieties within each design.

We ended with the usual auction.

-BCS

FROM THE EDITOR...

The March meeting is our last opportunity for any changes or additions to the plans for the Show. Even with all the detailed planning, don't forget that many of the chores are at the last minute (outdoor signage, welcome table, guest register, youth table, arranging tables and chairs, taping down extension cords - which, at a new location, will be at least slightly different from past years). We could use extra help before the Show begins.

Dwight Dunton has kindly offered his home as a meeting site when the weather is warm - we ought to chat about it and decide on a month and date that is convenient for him.

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This month's featured stamp

This month we feature the Kansas Statehood stamp, commemorating the 150th anniversary of Kansas statehood designed by Howard E. Paine of Delaplane, Virginia. It is a symbolic artistic snapshot of Kansas that encapsulates many of the state's most prominent features: agriculture, history, industry, and pioneering ingenuity.

In the foreground is a type of windmill pioneered in America during the mid-19th century, first made of wood but later out of metal (like the one shown on the stamp) and fitted with a tail, like a weather vane, to change the direction of the wheel relative to the wind. In the background stand 5 modern wind turbines that demonstrate continuity and the forward-looking nature of the modern Kansas economy.

