



**POSTMARK ATLANTA
ATLANTA STAMP COLLECTORS CLUB
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We begin this newsletter with some sad news. Gordon Brick, a member of the Atlanta Stamp Collectors club and the current President of the Button Gwinnett Stamp club passed away on February 2nd, 2005. The club learned of his death at the meeting on February 3rd, and several members from the Atlanta club (as well as the Cobb and Gwinnett clubs) attended his funeral mass at St. Lawrence Catholic Church on February 5th. The club has donated \$50 to the Boy Scouts in honor of Gordon in lieu of flowers, per his wishes.

Club news-During the meeting on the 3rd, the idea of writing a history of the club was discussed and was agreed that it should be pursued. It was also decided to gather together as many newsletters as we can to form a newsletter archive. We most definitely can use your help on this project, any newsletters that you may have would be most helpful. If you do have any newsletters, either mail them to me or bring them to a club meeting. If you want your newsletters back, let me know and I'll copy them and get the newsletters back to you. I discussed the book and newsletter archive projects with the Cobb County Stamp Club on February 13th and received a pledge of support as well.

CLUB DUES-The final deadline for paying your club dues for 2005 (\$10) is March 3rd, 2005. After that, anyone who has not yet paid will be dropped from the club roster.

Club meetings-

March 3rd, 2005-business meeting and auction. No doubt there will be some discussion about the APS Ameristamp Expo, held at the Cobb Galleria on February 18-20th. Remember to bring your club dues if you haven't yet paid.

March 17th, 2005-Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the club and learn why you should collect covers- a program on collecting covers given by Don Laberteaux and Scott Holmberg.

THE APS AMERISTAMP EXPO-FEBRUARY 18TH THROUGH THE 20TH, 2005.

The APS Ameristamp Expo (or Winter Show as it is more commonly known as) is upon us. The show is being held at the Cobb Galleria (at Interstate 75 and Interstate 285 in Cobb County). When you arrive at the show, be sure to pick up a program and go over the schedule to see what programs and events you might have an interest in. A first day ceremony will highlight Friday, the Southeast Federation will hold their annual meeting on Saturday and Ebay will also be holding a live auction during the show. The dealers room and the exhibits are open from 10am to 6pm on Friday and Saturday and 10am to 4pm on Sunday. Over 120 dealers are expected (some from as far away as Australia!), and thousands of pages of exhibits. Don't expect to take it all in, especially if you only have one day to devote to the show. One final note, volunteers to help are more than welcome. Just drop by the Southeast Federation table at the show and they'll find you something to do. Also drop by and check out the special Postmark Atlanta, available only at the show!