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THE JUNE 10 MEETING WILL BE THE CLUB'S ANNUAL PICNIC. AS BEFORE, WE WILL MEET AT THE TENNESSEE RIVER PARK ON AMNICOLA PARKWAY, 5:00 p.m. Meats and Drinks will be provided by the Club. Bring your favorite side dishes and desserts.

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A new stamp to be issued in the Europa 2010 series by Denmark.

CLUB NEWS AND EVENTS

Upcoming Area Shows:

June 5-6 HUNTSPEX 2010 Show, Huntsville, AL

Chattanooga Stamp Club:

June 10Annual Picnic

July 8 Summer Club Auction

Welcome to new club member, Larry Hines!

CLUB NEWS

At the May meeting, awards for the participation in the April One-page Exhibit were presented, with all entries receiving an award.

1. JIM HOGUE EXHIBITED 'BANK BAG' MAIL.
2. WILLIS MONK EXHIBITED A COVER FROM THE U.S.S. NEVADA DATED 6 DECEMBER 1941.
3. GENE BRICKER EXHIBITED HIS 'LEGENDS OF THE WEST RECALL' SHEET.
4. DAN CHAIJ EXHIBITED 'CUBA - SHORTPAID PRE-STAMPED ENVELOPE' - A COVER FROM HIS CUBA COLLECTION.

Following the voting, each exhibitor explained their choice of material for the exhibit. Everyone was given a certificate for "Gold" as it was felt that each exhibit was excellence and the members put a lot of work into creating them.

(Let's every member enter the one-page exhibit next time. It is a lot of fun, and you no doubt have a page in your album of which you are proud, and would like to show to others.)

FEATURE ARTICLE

WHY I GO TO STAMP SHOWS

by Melvin Morris - Americana Philatelic News, Oct-Dec 2001

Collectors really should go to stamp shows. There are many different reasons -each depending on the collector's interests & the nature location of the show.

I go to shows because they give me an opportunity to comparison shop with several stamp dealers. I also go to take advantage of both the postal facilities and, if the show features one, First Day ceremonies. It is also usually possible to pick up U.S. stamps for postage at a discount from face value. I also go to meet philatelic friends and make new ones. However, the main reason is to discover new items!

_____ Let me illustrate this by my visit to the October 2001 Mega Stamp Show at the Jacob Javitts Center in New York City. I try to go, if possible, to each of these twice yearly events despite it being well over an hour of combined travel time from my home. At this event I had an additional reason in that I wanted to write a short article on "Twin Tower" (the World Trade Center) stamps. Fairly frequently, I find items to either expand or illustrate ideas I have for articles. Indeed, very frequently I see something that gives me an idea for some new article! That's one of the reasons that I always have a pen, pocket notebook or index cards with me when I go to stamp shows. One never knows when an idea will pop up and stamp shows are a great source!

I always like to visit some of my favorite dealers of new issues. Mega shows seem to be a favorite excuse for some areas to release new issues. I'm always on the lookout for new additions to my "Collecting the Presidents* collection and there always seem to be something new. My dealer friends are always on the lookout for new items for me but they don't know Presidential tie-ins like I do. So, these stamp shows are a great way to see-for-myself that are unavailable virtually

any other way. (By the way, the Mega Shows are where I spotted and realized the tie-in of Robert E. Lee to George Washington - grand nephew-in law - and of "Conan the Barbarian" and John F. Kennedy - nephew-in-law - as well as several others that I haven't yet got around to writing up but hopefully will - 'someday'.

I also visit as many as possible of the topical dealers. They are a great source for ideas and tie-ins. Statue of Liberty stamps are where I found the majority of "Twin Tower" stamps - as well as Presidents. Space is another great topic for Presidents -especially Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson! Entertainers, World War II, Nobel Prizes, dogs, etc. have all been successful sources of new items - as well as new ideas.

I'm going to conclude this short article with 2 discoveries at this Mega show that thrilled me. In 1978 the Central African Empire issued for Rowland Hill's Centenary a set of 6 ss of 1(8366-9, SC203-204). S367 has George Washington & S366 Abraham Lincoln in the margins. (Who knew, you cannot tell from catalog description)?! I also found that, in 1992, Niuafu'ou (Tonga), in a sheet of 12 42S stamps (S148a-1) pictured FDR on one, & mentioned him on one. Too bad I didn't discover it earlier so I could include it in the hopefully soon forthcoming FDR HANDBOOK from ATA.

[NOTICE! Get your auction lots for the July auction in early. Get the auction forms at the picnic, or call Robert Barger, 423-344-6505. To get your copies.](#)

REFERENCES

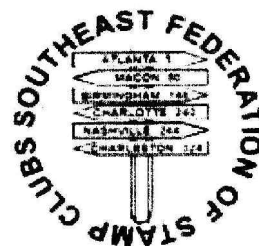
For those with internet access, these are more web sites of interest:

American Topical Association www.americantopicalassn.org

(Click on "Study Unit" and look for a unit of your interest!)

Free album pages: philosateleia <http://www.philosateleia.com/>

Free album pages:Jim's Album Pages<http://www.album.dweeb.org/>



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The Chattanooga Stamp Club is affiliated with the American Philatelic Society and the Southeasten Federation of Stamp Clubs. The club has been dedicated to the study, preservation, and promotion of the philatelic hobby since 1932.

- CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2010 -

President; Robert Barger

Vice-President: Jim Hogue

Secretary: Willis Monk

Treasurer: Carl Anderson

MEETINGS: Club meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at EASTRIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST located at 915 McBrien Rd in Eastridge, TN. Meetings begin at 7.30 PM. Come early and enjoy meeting the members as well as talking about stamps.

MEMBERSHIP: Chattanooga Stamp Club memberships are on a calendar year basis. Yearly dues are \$20.00. Send all monetary donations and membership dues to the club's Treasurer, Mr. Carl Anderson, 919 Dunsinane Rd., Signal Mountain, TN 37377.