

# Button Gwinnett Stamp News

June 2008

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- All meetings will be held at Lilburn City Hall unless otherwise noted in this newsletter!
- June 18<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. BG club meeting
- July 16<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. BG club meeting
- August 20<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. BG club meeting
- September 17<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. BG club meeting
- September 26-28<sup>th</sup> Southeastern Stamp Show

## Notes from last month's meeting (Special Report by Rick M...)

Meeting called to order at 7:30.

We had 10 members present. Rick gave latest on RPO car - SE Railway Museum getting ready to restart restoration in about mid June. So far they have been scraping paint and there are places ready to be primed. Lots of work left to do anyway. Bob Lieb did show and tell on Trans Miss cover he recently got. Originally it had one of each stamp of the set on the cover. It was addressed to someone in Germany. There are only four covers known like that. The recipient removed the two high values. Still, there are only 5 covers known that have all but the two high values on them. Then the cover sat for years and years (basically forgotten about) until it was bought by a British dealer. Now it is in Bob's possession. Is that piece going in your exhibit, Bob? Then we had a small auction. In spite of the small attendance, some of the lots had some quite active bidding on them.

The meeting and auction was over before 9:00.

## Show 'n Tell

Don't forget to bring your interesting philatelic finds or treasures to the meeting to share with the group.

## Southeastern Stamp Show

It's not too early to begin planning for the 3-day, Southeastern Stamp Show during the last week in September. There will be plenty of opportunities to volunteer! Put September 26-28 on your calendar *NOW!*

## June Meeting...

Our regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. at Lilburn City Hall. Hope to see you there!

## Auction this month...

Don't forget to bring those unwanted philatelic treasures to sell. Don't leave those more expensive items at home...bring them so they can find a new home!

## Help me fill this page!

If you have any items for the newsletter, please e-mail them to me (John Newman) at: [johnew@bellsouth.net](mailto:johnew@bellsouth.net). As you can see, we're slowly getting rid of the white space, but still have a ways to go. Thanks!

## Club Roster Project...

Also, for those not at last month's meeting and who cannot be at the June meeting, I would appreciate it if you would send me the following information to me (John) at the above e-mail address:

*Name, address, phone number(s), APS member number, e-mail address and collecting interests.*

## Collection for sale...

Roy Brown has a collection of stamp panes including every pane in the National Stamp Album Supplement since 1988. He is interested in finding a new home for the stamps. Bookman catalog value is \$5,230.00, with face value of \$1,257.00. Roy estimates another \$400.00 to \$500.00 was spent on mounts, etc.

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Please give Roy a call if you are interested in the collection and to make him an offer he can't refuse!

## Need Supplies???

If you have stamp supply needs, please send Mac Will an e-mail at: [kenneth.will@ce.gatech.edu](mailto:kenneth.will@ce.gatech.edu). He'll gladly make sure that he brings the needed items to the next meeting.

## Soakable Stamps?

Much has been written lately about the change in paper that the U.S. Postal Service is using. What are your thoughts? Will it affect or change the way you collect? Is the Postal Service being penny-wise and pound-foolish? Let me know your thoughts for publication in a future newsletter!

Our first response to my query is from Rick M:

“This is not the first time there have been non soakable stamps. The 1974 Dove Weather Vane (Scott # 1552) couldn't be readily soaked and in a footnote in Scott's they say that the used value is for copy on piece. If you carefully trim the used copies of non-soakable stamps you will end up with a nice copy on piece. Consider the piece as a protective backing for the stamp. The above isn't the only stamp before now that couldn't be soaked. I've run across some from Poland and there are probably some from other countries also.”

Anyone else care to share his or her thoughts?