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A Little Travel

The first two weeks of each month are when I usually work on assembling the next issue of KPS News. Not so this month. Immediately after the dust settled on Knoxpex, I had to shift into high gear to prepare for a 10 day trip to southern Asia as a representative of The University of Tennessee in a large student recruiting tour that was sponsored by EducationUSA, a program of the U.S. State Department. My involvement included visits, along with representatives of 10 other US universities, to Bangladesh, Nepal, and Sri Lanka – together with airport transfer stops in Chicago, Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates) and Delhi (India). In addition to meeting more than 2,000 prospective undergraduate and graduate students, I had hoped to visit a post office or two to obtain stamps for the KPS Newsletter.

Our group was kept busy most days from 8:30 am until 8:00 pm with briefings and meetings with students. In nine days, we had a total of 4 hours for visiting tourist sites and shopping.



Although I purchased a few stamps from a street vendor in Kathmandu, Nepal (paying about 3 times Scott catalog value), the closest I came to my philatelic goal was taking a picture of a mail box in Colombo, Sri Lanka. But, it was a great experience telling our prospects

that the US has the best higher education system in the world. More later – maybe a program.

Tom Broadhead

President's Column

I am still excited about the successful KNOXPEX 2011 show held by KPS on March 5-6. I was especially proud of the way so many club members stepped forward and helped out with the preparations and operation of the show. We are fortunate to be in an area where we have the real *VOLUNTEER* spirit. I want to thank all of our volunteers on behalf of the club. I know I am taking a risk here but I want to single out a few people for above and beyond help. **Bruce Roberts** introduced us to the Knoxville provisional stamps at our last meeting and acquired the spectacular display of the original stamps from Peter Powell to display in our Court of Honor, in addition to other items of postal history of this period from Tony Crumbley (North Carolina) and his own Arkansas material. Bruce also handled the exhibits from our own club members which were on display. **Tom Broadhead** planned the theme of the show with valiant attempts to reproduce the Knoxville provisional stamps, which Zazzle refused to print because they maintained that they cannot print a US stamp (which we know is ridiculous since the provisionals are not recognized US stamps). Tom also kept in contact with the Knoxville **USPS** to assure their support for the show which was appreciated. Then **Tom and Bruce** combined as our club auctioneers to conduct the Club Auction in a timely manner.

Ralph Dinwiddie produced a spectacular show cachet design, both sides no less! **Randy & Russ Haese** kept new collectors and kids occupied with a table increasingly full of stamps. They even had half the club searching for flowers on stamps for **Charles Stinnett's** granddaughter, who later attended the auction and became our youngest known lot purchaser! Charles not only helped with the set up of displays but brought his family back for the auction. **Pat Goebel** and **Mike Kauffman** kept their eyes on the displays and auction lots as security officers. (For everyone who attended the *(continued on page 4)*

Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – March 1, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. There were 20 members present. The business meeting was called to order by President Stu Hanlein at 7:00 PM.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as presented in the newsletter except the heading date was incorrect. Thomas Lane submitted the treasurer's report. The current club accounts total \$9,945.65. KPS received a letter dated February 17, 2011 granting the club "tax exempt" status.

Tom Broadhead presented a status report for the upcoming KNOXPEX show, including programs, auction, promotions, exhibits, bourse, and security. Bruce Roberts discussed the exhibits and circulated the "actual" Knoxville and Chattanooga Confederate provisional stamps, which will be the focus of the exhibits. Members were asked to help and participate in the weekend's events.

Bruce Roberts and Thomas Lane will attend the Regency stamp auction on behalf of KPS at the upcoming St. Louis Stamp Expo March 18 – 20. Bruce asked for members input on their interest in auction lots. Tom Ringebach said the program for the April meeting will be a show & tell: What I Found at KNOXPEX. Tom Broadhead, Bruce Roberts, Gerald Schroedl, Thomas Lane and Jim Cate entered a team exhibit at the APS AmeriStamp Expo 2011 in Charleston, SC, February 11 – 13. Their exhibits showed well. At the show Tom found

The Knoxville Philatelic Society meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st and 5th Tuesdays of each month at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church at 2931 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919.

Annual dues are \$15.00.

KPS Officers:

President	Stu Hanlein
Past President	Ralph Dinwiddie
Vice President	Tom Ringebach
Treasurer	Thomas Lane
Secretary	Charlie Wade
Directors	Jim Pettway, Gary Rehberg Bruce Roberts, Tom Broadhead
APS Representative	Jim Pettway

Requests for information and submissions of articles and short notes of philatelic interest for the news-lettr may be directed to Tom Broadhead, KPS, P.O. Box 50422, Knoxville, TN 37950-0422 – or by e-mail to tomwb50@aol.com.

a cover and letter from 1835 from president of the then East Tennessee University --- now UT. Bruce Roberts found an Arkansas CSA cover dated January 1865 to add to his extensive collection.

The club passed a resolution to contribute \$25.00 to the current APS fund raising activities. KPS was asked to second nominations for upcoming APS board position. Without knowledge of any candidate we declined. There will be a 5th Tuesday meeting on March 29. A board meeting will also take place that evening.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

Show & Tell at the April Meeting

Here's your chance to show off a choice stamp or cover you purchased from a dealer or the auction at Knoxpex 2011. Come and share your discovery.

Upcoming Events

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs - www.stampclubs.com/events.

April 5 – KPS monthly meeting – Program will be "What I Found at Knoxpex," a show and tell. APS Circuit Sales books from the March 5th Tuesday meeting. **Also, there will be nominations for KPS officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two directors).**

April 16 – KPS special Saturday meeting. Peace Lutheran Church – 621 North Cedar Bluff Rd., Knoxville 37923 – Program TBA. APS Circuit Sales books.

May 3 – KPS monthly meeting – Program TBA.

May 31 – KPS 5th Tuesday meeting. Board meeting at 6:00, followed by swap and shop with APS Circuit Sales books and lots from the Neal Henderson collection.

Stamp of the Month

This month's stamp is an example from the 1982 state birds and flowers sheet of 20 cent stamps (Scott 1953-2002 or 1953A-2002A). Check your example to see if it is perforated 10½ x 11¼ - the



first group, or 11¼ x 11 – the second group. The example shown here is 1994 or 1994A – the Tennessee stamp, showing a mockingbird and group of iris. Two sheets of these stamps, with, were part of a donation of albums given by an anonymous donor.

Knoxpex 2011 Album

Photos from the camera of Stu Hanlein

The first weekend in March saw another successful Knoxpex stamp show made possible by the efforts of many KPS members. Here are just a few scenes.



Jim Pettway and Randy Haese talked with some new visitors, while Pat Goebel staffed the welcome table, and Mike Kauffman and Charlie Wade viewed the exhibits.



Stu Hanlein presented a door prize to Lisa Lyford, while new dealer Warren Manning looked on. Harry Brooks and Tom Broadhead examined Tom's presentation of Peter Palmer's Knoxville provisional stamps.



Bruce Roberts held them high as an auctioneer, while Charles Stinnett, Thomas Lane, and Jo Mynatt kept track of the bidding.

This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, April 5

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auction, the missing lot was found adrift in the bourse room, much to the relief of Dale Kangas.) The success of the auction was due to the cooperation and advance preparations of the membership in getting their lots in early so the lion's share of the processing was done on Friday. Thanks to **Mark Mitckes** for preparing the auction catalog and lot stickers and to **Charlie Wade** and **Jim Pettway** and the crew for assisting in getting the lots organized. I especially appreciated the assistance from **Pat Goebel** and **Harry Brooks** as runners during the auction – my sciatica appreciated their help. The auction bookkeeping was handled skillfully by **Thomas Lane** and **Jo Mynatt**, so we were able to clear the building at a reasonable hour.

The registration table was ably managed by committee: **Tom Ringenbach, Pat Goebel, Jo Mynatt, Ron Mynatt, Ralph Dinwiddie, Rich Kaplan, Thomas Lane, Dave Warfel**, and others. **Thomas Lane** did a fine job as our treasurer in coming back on Sunday afternoon and paying the sellers with checks mailed to those who did not come back that day. I give a special thanks to **Jim Pettway** who, in addition to chairing the bourse and keeping the dealers happy, helped out in just about every area of the show. **Jim** has also been the "glue" in keeping us all informed via the Internet during the past several years. I thank the dealers who supported our show – our success in part depends on their success. The club appreciates all the people who made donations of lots for the auction to benefit the club. If I omitted anyone, I apologize in advance, but I do want to thank all those who made KNOXPEX 2011 such a success. We will have a critique of the show at our regular meeting in April.

I got several favorable comments on the club members wearing their shirts with the logos on them at the show. You can still get them done--contact Thomas Lane. I personally recommend getting both a long sleeve and short sleeve shirt to cover all seasons!

One sad note for the club – Bruce Kenny, one of the first people I met when I joined 11 years ago, and an enthusiastic supporter of this club, will be moving away from Knoxville to Arizona. Bruce has graciously stored our show exhibit frames in his garage for many years. We are looking for a place to store these and other KPS materials, and Bruce Roberts is investigating commercial storage sites.

Please contact Bruce Roberts if you can help. KPS wishes the Kenny family the best in their new home and know that Bruce will find a new stamp club to support soon! We will miss you but not forget you!

Our next Saturday special meeting will be at 1:00 pm on April 16th – two days before we have to pay our taxes! What better time to celebrate and relax with your stamps. That day, we will meet at Dale Kangas's church, Peace Lutheran, 621 N. Cedar Bluff Road in Knoxville.

Now we can all start to plan for KNOXPEX 2012 to be an even bigger and better show. Thanks again to all the KPS VOLUNTEERS,

Stu Hanlein

A Great Stamp Purchase Opportunity

By Bruce Roberts

This is the time of the year when Thomas Lane and I have headed up to St. Louis to purchase auction lots at the Regency Stamp Auction. We were set to go, with authorization to spend up to \$2500 on behalf of the club, but then an unusual opportunity presented itself at Knoxpex 2011.

Former KPS president Neal Henderson (below) came to the show, and in addition to being a door prize winner brought to my attention his intent to sell his personal stamp collection. This gave us the unusual opportunity to purchase an outstanding and diverse collection, while saving KPS the cost of travel to St. Louis.



The purchase was made with approval from the KPS board, and I have been working up parts of Neal's collection. The first showing and purchase opportunity was at the March 29, 5th Tuesday meeting, and there will be many future opportunities for members to make purchases, mostly at 10% to 20% of catalog value. This is another great reason not to miss our monthly 5th Tuesday and Saturday meetings. Look for more information and surprises from Neal's collection.

Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, May 3

