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## Stamp Collecting Month!

October is "Stamp Collecting Month," and KPS will be celebrating it in style at our annual "Members Auction." This is the opportunity for each of us to buy and sell, with no sellers' fees and no minimum lot prices. Check the September KPS news for the auction lot form.

We are now very much on the Web, with [knoxstamps.com](http://knoxstamps.com) at the top of the list on the KPS news masthead above. Please take time to visit our new site, created by **Ralph Dinwiddie**, and don't forget to send him information – and thanks for his efforts.

This year, KPS News again earned a gold award from the American Philatelic Society, and suggestions from the critique are incorporated here. Most significant were providing contact information for our society – note that **Jim Pettway's** e-mail is given on the bottom of page 2 for anyone to send announcements, and mine is still there for newsletter questions and submissions. The judges also recommended bolding the names of members in the newsletter – a great way to further recognize the contributions each month by many KPS members. The recommendation to give contact information for new members in the newsletter will not be adopted, as KPS has chosen to protect the privacy of its members. Don't forget to send me notes and articles for future issues!

In August, the group of new Flags of Our Nation coil stamps appeared, including the stamp for Tennessee. I have not yet seen a copy. Have you? Maybe you would



like to create a Tennessee theme exhibit for next month's clothesline exhibits.

Happy collecting!

*Tom Broadhead*

## President's Column

We have a lot of activities coming up in October, and I hope you will participate in them. Our October meeting is our club members' auction. All members can submit lots, and both members and non-members can bid and buy. Remember, there is no sellers or buyers fee. This is a great opportunity for everyone to sell their duplicates and buy good items to add to their collections. We will also offer some club lots, but only if we don't have enough member lots submitted. Come to the meeting early, as we must clear out of the room by 9:00 pm. Please have your auction sheets filled out before you get there so we can process the lots quickly.

The Board has had several meetings recently to discuss ways to share the gains from our recent stamp sales. A bus to the APS winter show in Atlanta in January will be chartered if we have enough members interested in making a day trip to a really big stamp show. We would leave early on Saturday morning and return that night. The club voted to have each member who wishes to attend pay a \$20 advance fee, and relatives can go along at the same price. There is a major shopping mall near the show, and the bus could take shoppers there for the day, while the rest of us enjoy the stamps. Sign up early so we can see if there is enough interest. The club will cover the additional cost beyond the \$20 per person fee.

Once again, I remind you that the nickel albums are still available, and there are lots of good stamps still waiting for a home. **Bruce Roberts** will have some more items from our club purchases and from Bill Muenzer's estate at the November meeting. We will also have our next Saturday meeting at noon on October 15 at Bruce's church, Powell Presbyterian Church, 2910 West Emory Road, Powell, TN 37849. There will be lots of opportunities to view Regency lots, Muenzer estate materials and member swaps, and I look forward to seeing lots of you at this program.

*Stu Hanlein*

## Knoxville Philatelic Society Meeting – September 6, 2011

The Knoxville Philatelic Society met at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, September 6, 2011 for the regular monthly meeting. President **Stu Hanlein** presided. There were 20 people present. The minutes of the August meeting were approved. The treasurer's report showing a balance of \$6467.86 was approved. The major expense in August was the purchase of collections from the Regency auction for \$2,281.50. The minutes of the August 30, 2011 Board of Directors meeting were read for club member's information.

**Tom Broadhead** updated the membership on the possibility of a charter bus to attend the 2012 AmeriStamp Expo in Atlanta in January 2012. A show of hands indicated about ten of those present are interested in a club bus. Tom will continue to look at the charter of a bus or the use of a smaller van. A final decision on the bus trip should be made by the November meeting. A non-refundable \$20.00 deposit will be required with reservations. Regardless of the method of transportation several members expect to attend the show.

**Roy Row** will be unable to chair Knoxpex 2012. **Charlie Wade** volunteered to now coordinate the event. **Jim Pettway** again is volunteering to post member's "For Sale" items to the member distribution list. The program for the October meeting will be a club auction. Auction lot forms are included in the September newsletter. **Stu Hanlein** visited the Knoxville Marriott for a tour. He reports the facilities are excellent and might be suitable for future KPS activities.

**The Knoxville Philatelic Society meets at 7:00 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month at the Tennessee Valley 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 Ringenbach
Treasurer	Thomas Lane
Secretary	Charlie Wade
Directors	Bruce Roberts, Roy Row, Charlie Stinnett, Dave Warfel

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Following the business meeting **Ralph Dinwiddie** gave this month's program. It was a three tiered program featuring: (1) A review of the website [knoxstamps.com](http://knoxstamps.com) which Ralph developed to promote and educate the philatelic community, (2) Evolution of the design of a cachet for Knoxpex 2012, and (3) "Carving Your Own Fancy Cancels" out of cork.

Submitted: Charlie Wade, Secretary

## Knoxville Philatelic Society – August 30, 2011 – Board Meeting

The Knoxville Philatelic Society officers and directors convened for the quarterly Board of Directors meeting at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church on Tuesday, August 30, 2011. Board members present were **Stu Hanlein, Thomas Lane, Charlie Wade, Ralph Dinwiddie, Charles Stinnett, Bruce Roberts, Roy Row**, with additional members **Jim Pettway** and **Tom Broadhead**. President **Stu Hanlein** presided. He brought several of such stamps for members to see.  
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## Upcoming Events

For more events visit the calendar of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs – [www.stampclubs.com/events](http://www.stampclubs.com/events).

October 4 – KPS monthly meeting and annual Stamp Collecting Month live Members' Auction.

October 15 – Special Saturday Meeting – 12:00 at Powell Presbyterian Church, 2910 West Emory Rd, Powell, TN 37849 – Swap and Shop!

November 1 – KPS monthly meeting – Clothesline exhibits!

November 29 – KPS 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday swap and shop meeting (7:00) and Board meeting (6:00).

December 6 – KPS monthly meeting and annual Holiday Dinner at the Great American Steak & Buffet – 900 Merchants Dr., Knoxville 37912. More details to be announced.

## Stamp of the Month

The early fourteenth century hero of Switzerland, William Tell, is the subject of this month's stamp of the month. The design is adapted from the 1895 sculpture of Tell and his son that stands in the city of Altdorf, where the famous apple shot is reported to have occurred. These stamps represent different values of this attractive stamp issued from 1911-1930. They are part of the gift to KPS from our late member, Bettye Anne Logan.



## Do You Like Art?

By Tom Broadhead

Stamp collectors have the benefit of owning copies of works by the “Old Masters,” “Impressionists,” “Cubists,” and almost any genre of painting, for a mere fraction of what it would cost to own just one original or an original print. Seeing a painting hanging in a gallery and knowing that I have already seen it on a stamp is a thrill. Last spring when I was working on my YouTube video about indigenous peoples, I included some classic US stamps along with images of corresponding paintings. It is fascinating to see how much, or how little, detail an engraver can include in an image not more than one square inch from an original that is several square feet!



The monumental (12 feet x 18 feet) painting, “The Landing of Columbus” was painted by John Vanderlyn in 1846 and has hung in the U.S. Capitol rotunda since 1847. The small vignette of the 24 cent stamp of the 1869 pictorial issue shows a surprising amount of detail, far surpassed by the similar image of the 2 cent Columbian stamp of 1892.

And, sometimes a little too much artistic license is used when selecting images for stamps. Recently we learned that the image of the Statue of Liberty on the new Forever coil stamps is actually the image of a replica on display in Las Vegas. Even in 1898, an interesting choice was made for the \$1 stamp of the Trans-Mississippi issue, “Western Cattle in Storm.” Regarded by many as one of the



most beautiful US stamps, its dramatic scene is actually from the painting (at left), “The Vanguard.” The painter was J.A. McWhirter, a Scott, who depicted cattle in a storm in the Scottish highlands, and the painting was exhibited in the U.S. in 1890.

Keep your eyes peeled for other examples of beautiful art depicted on stamps – start your own mini-gallery!

# This month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, October 4

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## Bring your Clothesline Exhibits to the November KPS meeting!

By Tom Ringenbach

Our KPS regular meeting in November will feature our second annual Clothesline Exhibit program. Our first attempt at this last November was a very good success, with five members submitting exhibits for the enjoyment of fellow club members. Let's shoot for at least five additional members this year (plus a few returnees from last year's class)!

This form of exhibiting has some great advantages. For first-time exhibitors, it's an excellent opportunity to try exhibiting on a small scale and away from the intimidating atmosphere of a big show. It's a terrific learning experience for all club members as they gain philatelic knowledge about new areas of stamp collecting...your specialties! An important side benefit is having many more sets of eyes looking out for material for you at future shows.

The rules are simple. The exhibit is just three pages in length. Here's a recap of how to develop a clothesline exhibit.

1. You're trying to tell a philatelic story, albeit a very small one. Pick a small topic to fit the space available. For example, the Great Americans issue of 1980-85 contains 26 stamps; that's way too many stamps to explain in three pages. But choosing just one stamp from that series and perhaps showing some combination of the stamp, plate numbers, printing variations, a first day cover, or an example or two of the stamp used to pay the rate for which it was issued would make a great exhibit!
2. As with any exhibit, you need a title page. In this case, probably a "half-page" is sufficient. A short paragraph of four to five sentences can tell the viewers what you will show them and enough background to help them appreciate why you picked this topic to exhibit.
3. Devote some thought to the most logical sequence for displaying your material. Remember, you know your subject very well; your viewers may not be familiar with it at all. Help them by telling them in the title page what they will see and then presenting your material to them in a way that will elicit an "aha" as they move from page to page.
4. Don't waste precious space. Use the bottom portion of your title page to begin telling your story. That is, fill it with stamps or a cover.

Last year was a lot of fun for everybody. Think about your participation this year!

### **KPS Board Minutes** (*continued from page 2*)

**Bruce Roberts** and **Thomas Lane** gave a recap of their purchases at the Regency auction in Columbus. They purchased three lots for \$2,281, which included both US and foreign stamps. The club has already recovered about \$500 in sales to members. About a half-dozen KPS members attended the APS StampShow in Columbus. **Jim Pettway** has contracted with nine dealers for Knoppex 2012 and has four tables available. There was much discussion of a possible "20 cent Table" at the show. The Board approved by a vote of 5 – 2 for Jim to look at the feasibility of such a dealer. He will present his findings and recommendations at a future meeting. The Board discussed if there should be a reduced rental deposit for Knoppex for returning dealers. There was unanimous approval of a reduced deposit of \$100 for dealers that had participated in three consecutive events.

The Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church presented the club a new rental agreement, with room rent increasing to \$40 per meeting. The club will also be charged for use of the church's projector, screen, extra tables & chairs and set-up. The Board unanimously authorized **Thomas Lane** to accept the new agreement. **Tom Broadhead** updated The Board on the possibility of a bus trip to the 2012 AmeriStamp Expo in Atlanta, January 28, 2012. Tom has found a coach company which can provide a 55 person coach and driver for \$1750 for the trip from Knoxville. Tom will present feasibility and details of such a trip at the September meeting. The Board decided to require a \$20 non-refundable deposit for members booking if such a trip evolves.

**Roy Row** advised us that he might be leaving the Knoxville area in the future and will not be able to chair Knoppex 2012. A replacement will be discussed at the September meeting. There was discussion on liability insurance for Knoppex events and for protection of the club-owned collections. **Bruce Roberts** will contact the group that provides his insurance and advise the club of availability. There will be details of the October club auction in the upcoming newsletter.

The board meeting was followed by the 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday meeting. **Stu Hanlein** presented **Ralph Dinwiddie** a KPS Certificate of Appreciation for his work as publisher of the club news letter. Twenty-five members attended.

**Next month's KPS Meeting – Tuesday, November 1**