



The Overprint

Newsletter of the Reading Stamp Collectors' Club
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Most meetings held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting site is Berkshire Commons, 5485 Perkiomen Avenue (Route 422)
Turn north on Lincoln opposite the Dairy Queen.
Proceed 300 feet, turn left on Washington and look right of center at the stop sign.

Monday. July 6th at 6:00 p.m.
(Note the change in day and time!)

Our Annual Picnic and Auction

...coordinated with the Pottstown Club

Join us for good food and a lively auction.
Bring food to share (if you have not yet signed up, call
Roy Baardsen at 610-927-3435 in advance of the meeting).
This is a good time to offer items to be auctioned off as well
as pick up additions to your collection at bargain prices.

*And once again, this will be a Monday
Meeting—if you show up Tuesday you
will be lonely!
The food will be presented at 6:00 p.m.
If you arrive at 7:00 p.m. you will eat alone!*



Have you ever tried finding stamps depicting picnics....not many out there!!

Did You Know: Who is the Patron Saint for Stamp Collectors?

Your editor didn't even know that there was a patron saint for stamp collectors until less than a month ago. Not that we philatelists don't need one. Every time I submit a stamp to the American Philatelic Society (APS) for certification, I could use a little help.

Like, "please patron saint...make sure this stamp is authentic and gets papered."
I actually could better use a patron saint for Indian relics, where fakes abound. Or tax bills, jury notices or tailgaters.

But learning that I have a patron saint for stamp collecting is a step in the right direction. It is amazing that I didn't know I had one. Probably, part of my ignorance stems from the fact that I am not Catholic. But my personal patron saint (my wife) is and she discovered my stamp collecting patron saint in a journal from her alma mater, Alvernia University.



And this wonderful assistant is the Archangel, Gabriel.

Apparently because he was such a good announcer in the Gospels he got the job of blessing communications and communicators, such as postal workers. From there it was not much a leap for him to also get stamp collectors. Sort of like any large corporation keeps adding new responsibilities onto the shoulders of their workers.

Anyway, next time you buy stamps at shows or on the internet or at stamp club auctions, keep your patron saint in mind in case you need some heavenly help.

Back of the Book

- **Mike Matus** won the 50/50 drawing of \$18.00 at the June meeting, increasing his lifetime total winnings to exceed your editor's weight in pounds, which is *a lot!*
- The June Attendance Drawing was for \$15.00 and unfortunately Julia Frith was not present. The August drawing will be for \$20.00.
- **Mike Matus** would like to remind members that stamps can be offered for sale through the newsletter for a mere ten percent of SOLD items only. You could put a brief ad in the "printed" version of the Overprint or a bit longer ad if you can list your information in a format compatible to be included in the e-mail version.
- **A presentation of Cindarellas by Paul Peterson is slated for the August meeting. Jim Savage and Holly Springer are scheduled to bring treats.**
- **September will feature a "bring your favorite cover" member participation program and Dave Silcox will bring treats. Gotta go folks, I've got a few thousand covers to search and find my favorite (--ed.)!**

- MIKE'S PAGE

- RSCC AUGUST MEETING:

- Tuesday August 4th at 7:00 p.m., Featuring PAUL PETERSON, our guest speaker from Lancaster Stamp Club, who will present Cinderella : US International Shows, Stamps, Covers, Labels and History

OTHER AREA MEETINGS:

Wednesday, JULY 8th PSLC LANCASTER – Program Express Companies of Mexico 1855-1907

September 4th - 6th BALPEX, Baltimore Phil Soc. Baltimore Hunt Valley Inn, 245 Shawan Rd, Hunt Valley MD.

Also check out summer sessions at THE APS in Bellefonte PA.

SPECIAL FEATURE – MAY 6th 2015 THE 175th ANNIVERSARY OF THE PENNY BLACK

Many countries followed the United Kingdom's issue to commemorate this unique Anniversary. Below are examples of the issues from the UK, the Isle of Man, Togo and The Solomon Islands.



Sadly, as with the 100th anniversary, the USA did not include this Anniversary in their issues for 2015. Perhaps they will celebrate in 2022!!!

“ON THE LIGHTER SIDE” – Will return next month

“THE R. S. C. C. STAMP MARKET”

**IF YOU HAVE SOME THING TO SELL THEN OFFER IT TO OUR MEMBERSHIP FIRST.
The club will receive a 10% fee as per our auctions**

1. CATALOGUES FOR SALE (100% of proceeds will go to the Club):

CATALOGUE YEAR AS NOTED, SO THEY WILL NOT BE UP TO DATE AS FAR AS VALUES ARE CONCERNED. SO THIS SET WOULD BE USED AS A REFERENCE SET ONLY

SCOTTS 2000.....	Volume #1 – A TO B
SCOTTS 2001.....	Volume #2 – C TO F
SCOTTS 2000.....	Volume #3—G TO I
SCOTTS 2000.....	Volume #4 – J TO O
SCOTTS 2000.....	Volume #5 – P TO SI
SCOTTS 2000.....	Volume #6 – SO TO Z

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO PURCHASE AND WILL TAKE ANY OFFER. SO
MIKE MATUS KNOW IF YOU WANT THEM: Suggest \$ 10 minimum

2. US FDC's GOLD PLATED REPLICAS

OFFERED BY MIKE MATUS:

A big binder made just for this collection.

(27) - 22 K. GOLD PLATED REPLICA U.S.FIRST DAY COVERS DATED NOV 1985 TO JAN 1987.
INCLUDED ARE (16) SLOTTED PLASTIC EMPTY PAGES SO THAT ADDITIONAL COULD BE
LOADED .

Will take \$10.00 for the whole collection.

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3. AIRPLANE TOPICAL STARTER PACK

OFFERED BY MIKE BACH:

If you like airplanes and flight and wanted to start a Topical Collection then this is for you.

OVER 500 AIRCRAFT STAMPS FROM APPROX 50 PLUS COUNTRIES - MANY TYPES OF
AIRCRAFT FOR YOU TO IDENTIFY.

Will take \$ 15.00 (that's just \$ 3.00 per 100 stamps)

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