



The

Overprint

Newsletter of the Reading Stamp Collectors' Club

Editor: Stan Raugh, 4217 8th Avenue, Temple, PA 19560-1805
Tele: 610-921-5822

Issue: March 2016

Most Meetings Held the first Tuesday of Every Month at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Site: Berkshire Commons, 5485 Perkiomen Avenue (Route 422)
Turn North on Lincoln opposite of the Dairy Queen.
Proceed 300 feet, turn left on Washington and look right of center at the stop sign.

Tuesday, March 1, at 7:00 P. M.

The Greatest Auction on Earth!

Bring up to ten items to offer for sale—and/or bid on a menagerie of stamps that would make P. T. Barnum proud!

Dues Are Due

Dues are due for 2016 if you have not paid them. You can mail the \$10 family membership fee to Mike Matus at 157 Lucinda Lane, Wyomissing, PA 19610, or hand them in next month.

Last Reminder for 2016--

If the Reading or Exeter schools are closed or close early due to snow, sleet, ice, etc., our meeting is cancelled. If that does not happen and weather seems risky, call an officer just to be sure. Hopefully we will get in every meeting!

And the Winners Are!

At the February meeting Carl Madeira won \$18.00 in the 50/50 drawing and Dave Silcox won the attendance drawing of \$20.00. It pays to attend and buy tickets!



ABOVE: Late 1800's cover sent to "O. C. Marsh" at Yale College in New Haven, Connecticut.

You Never Know What You Can Find

Sometimes I don't know if I collect stamps to connect with history or study history to connect with stamps. Probably, both.

The above cover is an example. I found it about ten years ago in a circuit from the American Philatelic Society specializing in 19th Century (1800's) U. S. covers.

The material comes in booklets with deep pockets to keep the covers from flopping around and when I turned the page to this gem all I saw was "O. C." That immediately rang a LOUD bell in my head.

I grabbed the cover to pull it out and saw "Yale." Holy Moly! And then, the Chicago postmark. Can't be, I thought, then I read "College" and I knew I had a treasure.

O. C. Marsh was Othniel Charles Marsh, one of the most important paleontologists of the late 1800's. Attaining prominence at Yale, his

rich uncle financed luxurious Peabody Museum to house his finds. Marsh described over 500 species in his lifetime including such dinosaurs as Triceratops ("horned" dinosaur), Stegosaurus (with "plates" on its back), Allosaurus (a small tyrannosaur) and Apatosaurus (what we called Brontosaurus in the 1960's).

The "Chicago" was significant because Marsh nearly annually sent diggers to the west to unearth these creatures. The last jumping off point was the Windy City. No doubt one of his men dropped him a last minute Spring note before heading out.

WE NEED PROGRAMS FOR April, May August and November
SNACK PROVIDERS needed for May June and November.
Email mbach1@comcast.net

MIKE'S PAGE:

Bus Trip – Bus Trip – Bus Trip

Roy Baardsen and company are planning a bus trip to the New York International Stamp Show on June 2.

This event is held only once every ten years in the United States. For details, call Roy at 610-927-3435.

Price \$ 60 per person. Stopping for dinner at Cracker Barrel at your own expense on return journey.

The bus is filling up fast approx. 80% Full already) .. seats on a first paid basis, so get your money into Roy ASAP

Your club owns the following equipment

12 Cup Coffee Pot 12-
30 Cup Pot
Hot Dog Roller
Small Microwave Oven
Color Reader
Projector
Projector Screen

If you want to use one or more of these you can “at no charge”. If you know someone who has need of these for a function there is a nominal rental fee

IF STAMPS COULD TALK: My choice this month (courtesy of Linn's)



ON A SERIOUS NOTE:

WE NEED NEW MEMBERS !

I was rather perplexed that no one responded regarding this editorial.

That says a lot !!

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF LANCASTER

Wednesday March 9th

History and Culture of German Stamps

By Dave Hunt

Also Mark Your Calendar

LANCOPEX 2016 April 29th & 30th

THE MARKET PLACE IS BACK

Scott Catalogues 2013 – 6 Volumes \$ 90.00

Call: Dave Crossland 610-223-7266 or

Email STAMPMAN@UZW.BLACKBERRY.NEC

Two (2) White Ace Plate Block Albums (never used) 1984 to 1991 and 1992 to 1996: \$15.00 each.

Call: Carl Madeira: 610-777-8894

(1) - GRAND OPENING OF THE NATIONAL POSTAL MUSEUM (Inverted Jenny issue - no stamps but two unused covers) Price of \$2.50. Only ONE left.

(2) – Show Covers - Reading Stamp Collectors Club . Lincoln , Gettysburg dated 11-2-2013. Priced at \$0.75 each.

(3) – Show Covers Reading Stamp Collectors Club , TWO TYPES - Battle of the Crater or Lt. Henry Pleasance – Show Cancel dated 11-1-2014,

Priced at \$ 0.75 each.

(4) – Show Covers Reading Stamp Collectors Club - TWO TYPES - ULYSSES GRANT (2 available) or ROBERT E. LEE (3 available) Show cancel dated 11-7-2015, Priced at \$ 0.75.

Call: Mike Matus 610-927-3838 or

Email: Michael.Matus@verizon.net

Montenegro stamps at 50% off catalog for individual items to your need. Call Bob Steiniger at 610-689-4431. Stamps can be brought to a stamp meeting if requested