



CAPITAL CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

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Meetings – 7:00 PM the 1st and 3rd Wednesday monthly at the Lower Paxton Municipal Building, Room B, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg, PA

2020 Officers: President: Keith Nonemaker; Vice President: Ray Biemiller; Secretary: Eric Muir; Treasurer: Beth Nonemaker; Board Member 1: Marlin Wilson; Board Member 2: George Shearer; Board Member 3: Mike Marino

2021 CCPS's Stamp Show: We are planning for a mid-September 2021 show at the Lower Swatara Fire Hall, 1350 Fulling Mill Road, Middletown.

2021 Presentations: George Rohrs is preparing a presentation on the early unification of Germany; it will be the period prior to both World Wars and include stamps of the early Germany states. Eric Muir was planning to bring mourning stamps in December but it will be rescheduled. Beth continues to review You Tube videos for future meetings.

2021 Dues: Will remain at \$5. If you have not paid yet, please see Eric Muir

United States Postal Service – Stamps Issued



- September 24 Holiday Delights, 4 Designs, Forever, Sheet of 20
- October 6 Hanukkah, Forever, Sheet of 20
- October 13 Kwanzaa, Forever, Sheet of 20
- October 16 Winter Scenes, Forever, Booklet of 20
- October 20 Our Lady of Guapulo, Forever, Booklet of 20
- October 27 Drug Free USA, Forever, Sheet of 20

Donald Hacker has been a resident of Harrisburg all his life. In 1946 when he was 10 years old, a friend of his grandfather started sending him 1st Day Covers and a neighbor who worked at the State Capital would drop off large envelopes filled with used stamps every Saturday when he returned from work. Don would soak off the stamps at the kitchen sink. He bought his first album from Elmer Long, a stamp dealer at 203 Market Street.

As Donald grew older, his stamp collection was inactive but he kept buying stamps over the years if there was a newly issued one he liked. He also acquired old letters and stamps from acquaintances. Donald's mother worked in the office of Bowman's store and sold stamps there; she saved plate blocks for him. Occasionally Don would buy stamps from Larry Lee Stamps and sometimes order from dealers through the mail.

In 2000 everything changed for Donald and stamp collecting. His youngest grandson, Brandon, showed interest in his stamp albums. Donald gave him stamps and bought albums for him and started to collect again in earnest. Don updated his collection as well as Brandon's attending stamp shows, mail orders and the Philatelic Center. Brandon and Don met Larry Hopp at one of the shows and Larry supplied many stamps to fill in the holes in the albums. Larry invited Donald to join the Capital City Philatelic Society; he joined May 4, 2016.

Donald is now 84 years old and has enjoyed stamp collecting for many years but is now starting to dispose of his collection. He has mint and used United State stamps: singles, panes, plate blocks, blocks of four and various other items for sale. In most instances he sales items at 50% off catalogue prices. If interested, talk with him.

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The U.S. Postal Service joined the effort to raise awareness about the dangers of drug abuse with the release of the Drug Free USA Forever stamp, coinciding with Red Ribbon Week, Oct. 23-31, promoting drug abuse prevention. The dedication took place on Oct. 27 during Red Ribbon Week (sponsored by the National Family Partnership), which takes place in schools and

communities nationwide every year helping parents as well as teachers, and neighborhood organizations promote drug abuse awareness and prevention. Participants wear a red ribbon or red to symbolize their dedication to preventing drug abuse. The Drug Free USA Forever stamp features original artwork by Aaron Draplin. The image of a white star with lines of red, light blue and blue radiating from one side of each of the star's five points suggests the unity that is necessary at all levels to effectively address drug abuse. The stamp's background is dark blue. "Drug Free USA" appears above the stamp art, while the stamp's denomination, "Forever." The year 2020 runs vertically along the bottom right corner. Greg Breeding designed the stamp.

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Some stamps scheduled for 2021 include:

