

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

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; Alternate Board Member – George Rohrs

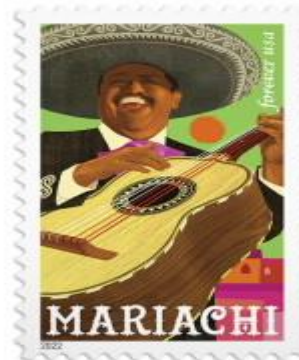
Presentations: Beth will be presenting the following videos: August 3 - Capex '22 Toronto Stamp Show (13 minutes); August 17 - Stamps of Chili (19 minutes); and September 7 - The Apollo 15 Scandal (15 minutes)

If you are willing to make a presentation, please contact Beth Nonemaker.

Dues Remain \$5 for 2022. Please pay see Eric Muir at a meeting or mail dues to him at 306 Nebinger Street, Lewisberry, PA 17339 – Questions 717-932-5480. Thanks for paying your dues promptly.

We have reserved the Lower Swatara Fire Hall on September 24, 2022, for the 2022 CCPS's Stamp Show. Address is Lower Swatara Fire Hall, 1350 Fulling Mill Road, Middletown. Mike Marino is contacting vendors to participate; we currently anticipate at least eight.

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE – 2022 STAMPS



Katharine Graham Stamps – Issued June 14 - \$.78 Two Ounce, Sheet of 20 for \$15.60; 17th stamp in the Distinguished Americans series. Katharine Graham was the first female CEO of a Fortune 500 company and a pivotal figure during turbulent moments in American history.

\$2 Floral Geometry Stamps - issued June 20; Sheet of 10 for \$20; Will lend a contemporary appearance to large envelopes and packages. It is one of two similarly designed high-denomination stamps.

\$5 Floral Geometry Stamps - Issued June 20, Sheet of 4 for \$20; Will lend a contemporary appearance to large envelopes and packages. It is one of two similarly designated high-denomination stamps.

Nancy Reagan – Issued July 6, 2022 - \$.60 Forever, Sheet of 20 for \$12.00. Commemorates Nancy Reagan (1921-2016) wife of the 40th president, Ronald Reagan and first lady from 1981 to 1989.

Mariachi Stamps – Issued July 15, 2022 - \$.60 Forever, Sheets of 20 for \$12.00 in multiple designs. Each of the 5 designs features a musician dressed in traje de charro, the traditional outfit of mariachi performers, playing one of the five iconic mariachi instruments: guitar, guitarron, vihuela, violin and trumpet.

Pete Seeger Stamps – Issued July 21, 2022 - \$.60 Forever, Sheets of 16 Stamps for \$9.60. Pete Seeger (1919-2014) appears on the new Music Icons series of stamps. He was not just a folk singer but a folk hero.

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THE 20TH CENTURY By Donald Hacker

At the start of the 20th century, Americans were served by the Post Office Department. At the century's close, they were served by the U. S. Postal Service. By law, the Post Office Department could not carry parcels weighing more than four pounds at the beginning of the 20th century. Since the establishment of rural free delivery, the demand for delivery of packages containing food, dry goods, drugs, and other commodities not available to farmers increased. On January 1, 1913, Parcel Post began. It was an instant success, with 300 million parcels mailed in the first six months. Marketing and merchandising through Parcel Post spurred the growth of the great mail order houses: Montgomery Ward and Sears, Roebuck and Company.

Originally, Parcel Post packages were limited to 11 pounds and no more than 72 inches in length and girth combined. On August 1, 1931, its weight and size limits were extended to 70 pounds and 100 inches. The size and weight were changed several times since then.

An Act of Congress on June 25, 1910, established the Postal Savings System. The system paid two percent (2%) interest per year. Initially, the minimum deposit was \$1, and the balance could not exceed \$500 excluding interest. Deposits were slow at first, but by 1929, \$153 million was on deposit and peaked at \$3.4 billion in 1947. The system ended officially July 1, 1967, with about \$50 million in unclaimed deposits which were turned over to the U. S. Treasury Department.

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