

Newsletter of the Reading Stamp Collectors Club

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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, October 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Auction !!!

Be sure to bring along items to sell <u>and</u> your want list to buy! And Your Wallet!!!

And now, a serious chat with all members: CHRISTMAS PARTY

It's that time again and the officers of the Reading Stamp Collectors' Club are planning our annual Christmas party. They would like feedback from <u>ALL</u> members regarding the party, including those members who do not attend. The officers want to know if the location, food, etc. are suitable. If you are a member and don't attend because of the location or any other issue, we would like to know. You can call or e-mail President Pete Baney at 610-926-4372 (skyhook5@comcast.net); Vice President Roy K. Baardsen at 610-927-3435 (roykb@comcast.net); or Treasurer Michael G. Matus at 610-927-3838 (michael.matus@verizon.net), as these gentlemen are collecting this information.

It Pays to Play...

...and Show Up!

At our September meeting, Dave Crossland won the 50/50 drawing for \$17.00.

Aaron Heckler won the Attendance Drawing of \$20.00.

Congratulation to both Dave and Aaron. Every month is a chance for someone to win!

Uncle Mike Wants U!

If your editor could manage it, I would create a full-color poster with Mike Bach in a top hat, pointing his index finger toward us in a serious Uncle-Sam-Like pose!

Why?

Because Uncle Mike wants volunteers to offer programs for 2017.

Mike works diligently for the club and wants to build a solid schedule of super-star stamp students to step up and serve as scheduled speakers. Every member has a story to share and we like variety.

So help out Mike (and our club) by enlisting your services as a presenter in the New Year.

World's Largest Philatelic: Library Now Open in PA

The largest philatelic library in the world has been renovated and is now open for business in Pennsylvania. Located in Bellefonte, PA, the institution scheduled a formal grand opening for October 28 and 29, 2016.

After a \$2.6 million dollar state-of-the-art construction project, the American Philatelic Research Library now checks in at 19,000 square feet, more than double the previous space.

More than 80,000 volumes and special collections, going back to the 1860's, line three miles of shelf space.

The library is another benefit of membership in the American Philatelic Society (APS). Both share space in the historic Match Factory site in central Pennsylvania.

Several years ago our club took a bus trip to visit the site. At that time the APS had only recently moved from State College.

The location was highly controversial at the time, as many APS members wanted the society to relocate to New York City or Northern New Jersey. That idea lost favor as many valued employees would not transfer there and it would be costly to find replacements.

The negative with the Bellefonte location was a history of flooding, which did occur to a minor degree once since the move.

MIKE'S PAGE:

APOLOGY: To Dave Hunt and those who attended the September Meeting. We had a technology glitch and could not get the laptop to connect with the Projector so no presentation. We will try again in November.

THE MARKET PLACE:

I know that members are interested but I only received information from one member. We will try again in November. Send details by for November Issue by Saturday October 22nd

Our newest member John Escott is offering the following US Proofs:

41P4 - \$50.00, 45P4 - \$40.00, 112P4 (IS CREASED) - \$10.00, 114P4 - \$30.00, 165P4 - \$14.00, 166P3 - \$33.00, 219P4 - \$28.00, SET 205P4, 206P4, 207P4, 209P4, 210P4 - \$70.00, Contact Jon Escott for scans of proofs at jjsipoo@ptd.net Numbers above are from Scott Catalogue Volume #7

FUTURE MEETINGS:

Reading Stamp Collectors Club:

October 4th: FALL AUCTION
Dig out what you don't want
November 1st
British Line Engraved Issues
By Dave Hunt

Philatelic Society of Lancaster County:

October 12th: Bill Schultz – 5 cent Enclosed rate and Q & A session with Mark Schwartz APS Director
November 9th

REMEMBER THIS DATE: SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5th READING STAMP SHOW



In 1932 from October 8th to 15th, The Reading Stamp Collectors Club and Reading Aero Philatelic Society held the First Exhibition at the Reading Historical Society. Above is the design used on the cover available at the Exhibition and an example below used as an Airmail Cover in December 1932

