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T H E M A R C H M E E T I N G

You cannot say the day of the Quad-City Stamp Club meeting keeps moving around because our meeting in March will be on the same day as February's, THURSDAY, the 28th. Our meeting place is the Viking Club, 1514-4th Avenue, Moline, with entrance on the 16th Street side of the building. The meeting room is open from 7:00 to 10:00 PM, with the business meeting and program beginning at 8:00 P.M.

For the March 28th meeting, Dale Cady, Program Director has arranged to have a film strip from the American First Day Cover Society shown. It will be on the subject "70 Years of Firsts on First Day Covers". "Covered" will be areas such as the beginnings of the collection of cacheted FDC's by George Linn, the growth of FDC's along with the growth of Air Mail, and the present state of First Day Covers in the United States. As it has been some time since we've had a program on this facet of philately, members can expect a little education this evening.

As usual, several regular features will be continued. They include the dealer's tables with material available, the Quickie Auction, a raffle for a pane of commemorative stamps, and the now popular coffee and cookies for those not on a diet. Of course, there is the fellowship with fellow collectors so plan on attending.

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NEW MEMBERS

The Quad-City Stamp Club is pleased to welcome the following collectors who were elected to membership in February, 1974:

- #961 Don Dose of Davenport who collects United Nations & Israel.
 - 962 Richard Brown of Rock Island who collects United States.
 - 963 Paul Lievens of Moline who collects United States.
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* ANY ORGANIZATION DEPENDS TO
* SOME DEGREE ON THE LOCATION AND
* ACCESSIBILITY OF ITS MEETINGS.
* ITS GROWTH AND BENEFITS TO ITS
* MEMBERS DEPENDS ON THE WORK OF
* ITS OFFICERS - BUT OF MUCH MORE
* IMPORTANCE IS THE INFORMING THOSE
* OFFICERS WHAT YOU WISH AND WHAT
* YOU FEEL WOULD BE OF HELP TO YOU
* AND OTHER MEMBERS. ARE YOU DOING
* YOUR PART?
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OUR FEBRUARY MEETING

The weatherman co-operated last month by providing a pleasant winter evening for going out to the stamp club meeting as 52 people came to the Plow City for our February get-together.

In keeping with our Club's topic, Japanese Philately, Program Chairman Dale Cady lined up a talk and display on the recent issues of Japan by QCSC member Tim Kargl. Tim showed us Japan's contribution to the philatelic world, both the stamps themselves as well as giving the audience a brief history of the stamp. We noted their stamps are issued in sets on occasion, however unlike United States sets, the stamp series seems to tell a direct story; something like a soap opera was a comment heard from the crowd. The display proved informative, especially to those of us who do not collect Japan.

The River Kings had another score in February as for the second month in a row Bob Trial of Clinton had the winning number in the raffle; this time a pane of mint 3¢ William White Commemoratives was the prize. President Myrtle Sheets asked for volunteers to bring refreshments for future meetings. This has proved to be a popular addition to our meetings. Please consider this request and tell Vera Griffin if you can help. Your Publicity Director, Steve Bahnsen, reported success in placing publicity notices about the QCSC in area Post Offices (details elsewhere). Again the auction material was moved thanks to auctioneer Merwin Galle. Try to make the March meeting, also on the 28th, to enjoy an evening of philatelic fellowship.

MAY DAY - MAY DAY

Although you might think this item belongs in a day in May, it's not too early to be thinking about the White Elephant Auction to be held in June. Now could prove to be an opportune time to find some material to donate to this auction where the Club gets all the proceeds. Last year the White Elephant Auction was a significant factor, along with members' dues and income from the April Exhibition, in providing revenue for the QSCS. Since there is no exhibition this year, there is all the more need for material that will bring top dollar come June. Please give this matter your consideration when working on your collection this spring.

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POST OFFICE CLOSED IN EAST MOLINE!

Seldom does one read of the Postal Service closing an Office in this area (the last one closed was Round Grove, IL 61280 in January, 1973), but the POSTAL BULLETIN of February 14, 1974 announced that the Hillcrest Station of the Post Office in East Moline was closed on February 1, 1974. Hillcrest was located at the East Moline State Hospital and was operated by the State of Illinois as a contract station for \$1 per year. With declining patient enrollment and employment at the State Hbspital, the volume of business also declined to where it was no longer beneficial for the State to operate it's own station. The State, and not the Postal Service, requested Hillcrest Station be discontinued; it's last day of operation was January 31, 1974. What made Hillcrest unique was that it was listed in the DIRECTORY OF POST OFFICES. There are several other contract stations in the Quad-Cities, mainly in Schlllegal Drug Stores, but none of these are named stations, they just have a number. Numbered or lettered contract stations are not listed in the DIRECTORY OF POST OFFICES.

With the closing of Hillcrest, there is one less postmark available to collectors. It had the familiar circular cancel 1 1/8" in diameter which read: "EAST MOLINE, ILL..HILLCREST STA USPO" with the date in the center. Although I have been told there are no plans at present to close any other types of Post Offices in the Rock Island Sectional Center, people have been known to change their minds. With ten 4th Class Post Offices plus two Rural Branches in our SCF, it's not too early to obtain a postmark from them before they close the stamp window permanently.

IS THERE A MOVE IN YOUR FUTURE?

Once again, Secretary Jjdy Linder asks the members to inform her if you are changing your address. If you don't do it for free, the Postal Service will tell us, but they charge 10¢ for each Form 3547 returned. I am trying to find a way that we an have the Club notified on Form 3547 and the PHILA-QUAD forwarded to members by the Postal Service when they move. But if you called or wrote Judy, there would be no problem.

Your Membership Number is worth a DISCOUNT!

Tell us your needs and we'll try to help you.

WE WILL SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!
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TIME OF THE SIGNS

The headline is not reversed as this truly is the time the Quad-City Stamp Club has it's name where the public can see it- - in our local Post Offices. This is the logical place to inform the public that our Club exists and that all stamp collectors are invited to come. I obtained a supply of 8 x 11" notices from the Illinois Federation of Stamp Clubs and filled in the blanks with data about the QCSC. Next, permission was requested and granted by the District Manager of the Postal Service in Springfield, Il to allow local Postmasters to display our signs in their respective offices if there was sufficient space. I am pleased to acknowledge the following Quad-Cities Postmasters who found sufficient space:

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| John Cogan, Davenport
(All 3 Stations) | John Bromley, Rock Island |
| Leland Carroll, Silvis | Alfred Waffle, Moline |
| Larry Meyers, East Moline | James Von Holdt, Bettendorf |
| | John Russell, Milan |

It is interesting to note that with the exception of Mr. Waffle in Moline, all the other Postmasters have been appointed within the last three years. This episode certainly lends support to the statements about the new Postal Management being more receptive to wishes of collectors. Incidentally, while visiting with these gentlemen on the sign matter, some expressed a desire to receive THE PHILA-QUAD so as to learn what our Club is doing. The Board of Directors agreed to this proposal so we welcome them to our readership.

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QCSC DONATES BOOKS

At the February meeting of the Board of Directors of the Quad-City Stamp Club, it was suggested that the Club donate a copy of STAMPS & STORIES, the popular little book put out by the U.S. Postal Service and Scott Publishing Company, to Public Libraries in the Quad-City area. This motion was adopted. Phone calls to the various libraries revealed only the Davenport Public Library had a copy of the book (In fact, they have several copies). So your Club has purchased and given STAMPS & STORIES to the Libraries in Bettendorf, Rock Island, Moline, East Moline, and the new Library in Silvis.

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S T A M P S F O R C O L L E C T O R S

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THREE STAMP SHOWS COMING UP SOON

We call to your attention the fact that three neighboring stamp clubs are having a spring exhibition this year which you may wish to attend. They include one by the ROCKFORD STAMP CLUB on March 30 & 31 in the Sweden House Motel in Rockford, 48 Frames & 15 Dealers. The CEDAR RAPIDS STAMP CLUB is also having their show on March 30 & 31, in the Montrose Hotel in Cedar Rapids. On April 20 & 21, the DES MOINES PHILATELIC SOCIETY and the IOWA WOMEN'S PHILATELIC SOCIETY are having CIAPEX in the Hyatt House Hotel, Des Moines. All three shows are having a special Post Office as well as cacheted covers available.

NEW ISSUES COMING UP

UNITED STATES

- March 26 10¢ Robert Frost-American Poet, Derry, NH 03038
- April 4 18¢ NATO's 25th Anniversary-Aerogramme, Washington, DC 20013
- April 18 10¢ EXPO '74 World's Fair, Spokane, WA 99210
- May 14 10¢ Sky Lab Project, Houston, TX 77013
- June 13 10¢ Mineral Heritage-Block of 4 stamps, Lincoln, NE 68501

UNITED NATIONS

- March 22 10¢ Universal Postal Union Centennial

CANADA

- April 8 7¢ Louis St. Laurent - Prime Minister Series
Winnipeg Centennial

WHERE IT BELONGS

Increase in postage rates on March 2nd, the stamp dis- had to be converted to sell material needed for the re pleased to note that the Self-Service Postal Units Offices in Davenport & Moline now have available the coil stamp in Coil Form. (Rock Island is to get this ion of the lobby remodeling.) There has been some tional philatelic press about the fact this coil didn't be in the machines anywhere, but now it is here for packages.

M A R C H A U C T I O N

Lot No.					Cat. Value
1.	U.S.	#806	Matched Pl. Blks. 2¢ Pres.	M VG-VF Harris	\$1.20+
2.	"	983	Sheet of 50 Puerto Rico	M VF Face	1.50
3.	"	987	Matched Pl. Blks. Bankers	M F-VF Harris	1.80+
4.	"	C35	Pl. Blk. 1947 Air UR 25941	M F "	2.00
5.	"	C40	Matched Pl. Blks. Alexandria	M F-VF "	3.60+
6.	"	C40	Sheet of 50 Alexandria (Creased)	M VF Face	3.00
7.	"	C43	Pl. Blk. UPU Air UL24150	M VF Harris	2.65
8.	"	C45	" " Wright Bros. UL24158	M VF "	.85
9.	Belgium	100	diff. (some commens)	U VG-VF Est.	4.00
10.	Sweden	50	diff. Many commens	U F-VF	2.82
11.	Foreign	10	diff. Covers	Good-fine	?
12.	"	10	diff. Covers	Poor-fine	?
13.	U.S.	941-2,976,979,981	FDC's no cachets	G-VF Harris	3.15
14.	"	942,951,959,962	FDC's Commens	F-VF "	2.00
15.	"	987-8,993-4,996	" "	VF "	2.25
16.	"	1193	Souv. Cover John Glenn C76 FDC	VF	?
17.	"	UC6,UC17	Entires 2 ea.	M F-VF Harris	1.80
18.	"	3	R.I. Arsenal Centennial Covers	VF	?
19.	"	25	Comic Post Cards (1906-8)	F-VF	?
20.	"	25	Covers Some S.E. Stps.	VG-VF Cat.Stps	7.00
21.	"	and Foreign	45 Covers	G-VF	?
22.	American Philatelist	11	1964 Issues	VF	?
23.	"	"	10 1965 "	VF	?
24.	"	"	12 1972 "	VF	?
25.	"	"	12 1973 "	VF	?
26.	Foreign QCSC	Contest	Page	F-VF	1.38
27.	"	"	"	F-VF	2.38
28.	"	"	Pages (2)	F-VF	1.11

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