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OCTOBER 23rd MEETING COMING UP

By Dale Cady, Program Director

The next meeting of the Quad-City Stamp Club will be held on Thursday, October 23, 1975. The meeting place is still the Viking Club, 1514-4th Avenue, Moline, IL. Club rooms are open at 7:00 PM, business meeting, auction, and program, start at 8:00 PM and the Club closes at 10:00 PM.

The Program for the October meeting will be very interesting, especially for those who like to see pictures of Post Offices and hear about Postmasters and their activities, and who doesn't?

Did you ever stop to think how, if it weren't for the Post Offices, where would philately be?

Our President, Steve Bahnsen, went on the Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa (RAGBRAI) this summer from August 3 - 9, and took pictures of Post Offices which you will see and hear about. He will tell us of how much mail he deposited for Club members and friends at the different Post Offices across Iowa and for what reasons. Come for a different and varied look at the Hawkeye State.

SCOOP! Why Davenport's Mail Has No Spark.

In an exclusive interview with your Editor, Davenport Postmaster John Cogan has pinpointed the source of all problems in his office: No Dedication. That's right, Davenport's Main Post Office, 933 West 2nd Street, has never been dedicated since the day it was opened in 1965. Just why this situation has been allowed to exist all these years remains unclear, however if any member would like to personally dedicate this building to himself or his wife or whoever or whatever, I'm sure the PM would be happy to entertain your suggestion. But until the Post Office is dedicated, the prospects for outstanding service remain very slim.

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This month's PHILA-QUAD
was mailed from
Cranston, Iowa 52741

* County: Muscatine
* Population: About 50
* Post Office Established: 1905
* Former Post Office Class: 4th
* Precancel Permit Number 1

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

If Your President felt the membership deserved an apology for not receiving the PHILA-QUAD in time for September's meeting, one would be offered here. However, it was mailed the Saturday morning before the meeting in Morley, IA, as it has been for 15 years, so there is no excuse for it taking a week to get here. Perhaps this is why the attendance at the September meeting was down to about 45 or so. At any rate those who did come shared in the usual meeting features. The raffle winner was a guest from Bettendorf, Robert Danielsen who won some nice commemoratives.

The program was one that was enjoyed by all. As advertised, Merwin and Lois Gale put on a fine program on "The Post Offices we have Known" while mailing the PHILA-QUAD. (Please remember that in the Gale family, Merwin does all the talking while Lois does all the work!) For the last 15 years, every month, they have hunted out some different, out-of-the-way Post Office to obtain the precancels that are used on this publication. Thousands and thousand of miles have been put on the car (s) in this amazing undertaking.

Using the baloptican, pictures of some of the more interesting Post Offices were shown. This "Line-up" is one you won't find in Florida or California, only Iowa and Illinois: Fruitland, Atkinson, Elwood (with Franklin Roosevelt's picture still looking at the vault), Nelson, Lost Nation, Pleasant Valley, Montpilier, even Gale, Illinois has seen the PHILA-QUAD mailed from there.

Never one to rest on his laurels, Merwin just last spring got us a strickly unauthorized precancel, this time from Middlegrove, IL. Just after they mailed the PHILA-QUAD, the Postal Service finally woke up and ordered the Middlegrove precancel distroyed - so we have the one and only mailing from this Rural Branch Post Office.

The Quad-City Stamp Club will certainly miss this active pair. It is work by individual members that make any club run. I think I can speak for the entire membership in saying "Thank you" to Merwin and Lois for all their past efforts for the Club and stamp collecting in general. We wish them the best in their retirement years, altho I'll never know why anybody would want to go to Florida and not IOWA.

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By Tim Kargl

Did you notice the sub-heading below the PHILA-QUAD name?

" The Japanese Philately Specialist Club "

In 1971, the Quad-City Stamp Club went on record as becoming a member of the International Society of Japanese Philately. By a 23 to 7 vote, the members gave their approval of a motion to accept Japan as it's common country for collections, trading and general interchange of Japanese history.

In the June membership list of 1971 there were 11 QCSC members accepted into the I.S.J.P. Since that time, some members have had programs dealing with Japan and Japanese philately.

More recently we have noticed a decline in interest in Japanese collecting and history. Some of the reasons perhaps are the lack of interesting items in the PHILA-QUAD on Japan, lack of general interest in trading stamps, lack of programs on Japanese philately and a lack of getting new members to join the I.S.J.P.

Tim Kargl has the forms to fill out to join the I.S.J.P. Dues are \$5.00 per year which helps pay for your subscription to the JAPANESE PHILATELY magazine issued quarterly. Our Club has a special penny (1¢) box to help you get started collecting used Japanese stamps. If you are interested in mint, Kargl has some later issues for trading purposes. This Club will try to revive interest in the collection of these beautiful stamps by articles in the PHILA-QUAD, and a short new issue report from Japan.

Come on you new members of the Quad-City Stamp Club and join the International Society of Japanese Philately! Let's talk, sell and trade Japanese stamps!

See you at the meetings!!!

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DALE CADY provides this information:

The Otto Matherny's in new home.

A letter from Otto Matherny to one of our members tells of how busy he and Mrs. Matherny are settling their new home in a pine forest, 15 minutes from the Pacific Ocean at Cambria, California. From their window they view wildlife, deer, small animals, and birds to no end. Even stellers Jays pick at their window. Jays are Jays, known as camp robbers in some parts,

He mentioned the neighbors who gave them a warm welcome and made them feel right at home. Many of you will remember Otto as the elder gentleman who always dressed so neatly and collected Austria and US. His new address is Otto Mathery, 2067 Chester Lane, Cambria, CA 93428.

JUDY LINDER advises that Doris Hardin has moved to Virginia and wants to say "Good Bye" to all her friends in the Quad-Cities area. Her new address is Doris Hardin, 2305 Apple Hill Road, Alexandria, VA 22308.

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Don't miss getting the new 10¢ Seafaring Tradition Stamped Envelopes which are now available. The are in both the 6 3/4 (small) and 10 (large) size. With all the uncertainty about postage rates towards the end of the year, this item may not be around too long.

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New Board Members Appointed

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The following 2 members have been appointed to the Board according to our new Constitution: T.R. (Ted) Ubbelohde of Davenport and George Frantz of East Moline. Here for your information are the new Officers and complete Board of Directors, taking into account last summer's election and this month's appointments.

PRESIDENT Steve Bahnsen		
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PAST PRESIDENT Myrtle Sheets		

NEW MEMBERS we welcome include:

- # 1000 Mrs. Allen Rutenbeck of Clinton, IA *Congratulations*
- 1001 Arlene Van Valkenburg of Silvis, IL
- 1002 Virginia Rossi of Silvis, IL
- 1003 Leo Horant of Davenport, IA
- 04 Manny Drevich of Rock Island, IL
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- 6 James Manak of Walnut, IL
- 7 Donald Wilcox of East Moline, IL
- 8 James Mehrer of Moline, IL

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