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Greater Houston Stamp Show 2020 on Schedule

The Greater Houston Stamp Show, scheduled for September 18-20, is still a few months away, but this is a critical time for activities in preparation for the show. As can be seen in the photograph, the GHSS Awards Committee has recently purchased the top four awards for the competitive exhibit at the show.

The awards are glass art pieces crafted by Houston Studio Glass, Inc. a premiere local crafter of glass art. The business is run by HPS club member Dick Moiel and his wife Kathy Poeppel. The glass pieces are all crafted in shades of brown, the color theme for the GHSS 2020 Single Frame Color Competition.

Speaking of exhibiting, now is the time to beginning thinking about winning one of these fabulous prizes by putting together your exhibit (possibly your first ever). Exhibiting is rewarding and there are several experienced club members who can help you, so give it a thought.



Pictured are the top four awards to be presented for the Greater Houston Stamp Show exhibit competition. The awards are for the Show Grand Award, Resrve Grand Award, Single Frame Grand Award and Single Frame Reserve Grand Award, not pictured in that order.

Houston Philatelic Web Site:
<http://www.houstonstampclub.org/>

Upcoming Philatelic Shows & Bourses

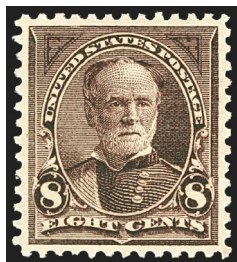
Editor's Note: For the time being, as the world-wide Coronavirus Pandemic has been declared and sheltering in place guidelines are in effect, stamp shows and TSDA bourses continue to be on hold, so any schedule of upcoming events is impractical at this time in The Perforator.

June 26-27, 2020

OKPEX 2020. Oklahoma City, OK. At the Reed Conference Center, Sheraton Midwest City Hotel, 5750 Will Rogers Road, Midwest City, OK. 73110. This is a Friday and Saturday 2-day APS WSP show.

July 25-26, 2020

Ark-La-Tex Annual Coin, Stamp & Card Expo. Bossier Civic Center, 620 Benton Road., Bossier, LA, 71111. The annual show is one of the largest coin shows in the South. They bring in over 50 dealers from surrounding states. There is a \$3 admission fee. Free parking. A smaller but very active contingent of stamp and sports card dealers round out the bourse floor. Hours are 9-6 on Saturday and 9-3 on Sunday. Sponsored by the Shreveport Coin Club



Consider entering a single frame Brown stamp themed exhibit at GHSS 2020 in September.

Award Winners ...

Editor's note: Please report your activities as an exhibitor and we'll give you the spotlight here in the Winners' column.

Garfield-Perry March Party, March 6-8, 2020, Strongsville, OH:

Bryant Korn - "Perkins Bacon Liberian Stamps of 1897-1912" - Large Vermeil Medal.

Upcoming Meetings

April 6 ... (pending Board cancellation)

Second 2020 Called Auction

An opportunity to dispose of your duplicates at our second called floor auction. You may bring up to two lots for sale. Consider also putting together an additional lot or two to donate to the HPS club or for the GHSS for its benefit. Plan on bringing cash and purchasing a lot to enhance your own collection.

April 20 ...

Amazing 1890s Philatelic Journals

Rick Barrett will take us on a guided tour of stamp collecting's journals from 130 years ago.

May 4 ...

Lady Stamp Designers

Lucy Cain will present this subject.

May 18 ...

Giori Press

Chuck Bianchi will make his second presentation of the year when he discusses this printing press from the mid 1900s.

June 1 ...

Third 2020 Called Auction

Another opportunity to dispose of some of your duplicates at our second called floor auction. You may bring up to two lots for sale. Consider also putting together an additional lot or two to donate to the HPS club or for the GHSS for its benefit. Plan on bringing cash and purchasing a lot to enhance your own collection.

June 15 ...

The Tierra Del Fuego Stamp from 1891

Jonathan Topper will tell the group about this interesting issue.

July 6 ...

Mid-Summer Ice Cream Social

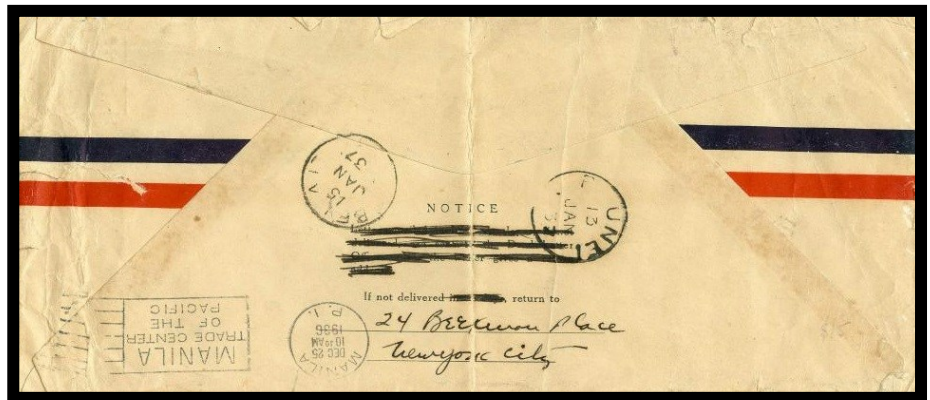
Attend an upcoming meeting to sign up for the pot luck list for this mid-summer pig-out.

FAM 14 to Brunei, a Conundrum

by William Drummond

The cover illustrated was flown to Manila with the noted postal markings (see Table 1). The cover departed New York City on December 16, 1936 with a Foreign Mail Branch Duplex cancellation to Manila via San Francisco. Due to FMB designation, no transit marking was required at San Francisco. It was flown by United Airlines to Frisco, then by Pan American to Manila, Philippines. Looking at Table 2, notice the overflight of Guam. This was not an oversight, but a necessity due to a storm.

Regular airmail service was not available at the time from Kuala Lumpur or Brunei. Thus arises the question: how did this cover get from Manila to Kuala Lumpur, a distance of 1540 miles, about 12 days later? Then onward to Brunei a week later, going a distance of 931 miles by which ship? It continued on to Kuala Belait, a distance of about 60 miles.



Reference: Intercontinental Airmails, Vol. 1, Transatlantic and Pacific, by Edward B. Proud, page 501.

Table 1. Postal Markings

New York City	United Airlines	December 16, 1936	1 PM duplex, Foreign Mail Branch
Manila, Philippines	Pan American	December 25, 1936	
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Ship to be determined	January 6, 1937	5 PM large arcs, Foreign Mail Section
Brunei	Ship TBD	January 13, 1937	
Kuala Beliat, Malaysia	Ship TBD	January 15, 1937	

Table 2. China Clipper Extraction

San Francisco	Honolulu	Midway Island	Wake Island	Manila
December 18, 1936	Dec. 19/20, 1936	December 21, 1936	December 22, 1936	December 23, 1936

Cleveland Rock and Roll Hall of Fame has 30 “Stamp Stars”

by Jay Stotts

Cleveland, Ohio, the home of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, celebrated the 25th anniversary of the dedication of its home on the shores of Lake Erie during Garfield-Perry’s March Party stamp show in Cleveland in early March.

Garfield-Perry is Cleveland’s premier stamp club and their annual 3-day show is called March Party, dating back to the old days when the show was held near St. Patrick’s Day.

The show typically celebrates a significant Ohio or Cleveland anniversary with a cachet and a commemorative United States Postal Service cancel. Sales are enhanced when related stamps are used to frank the cacheted envelopes rather than just the typical new definitive stamp.

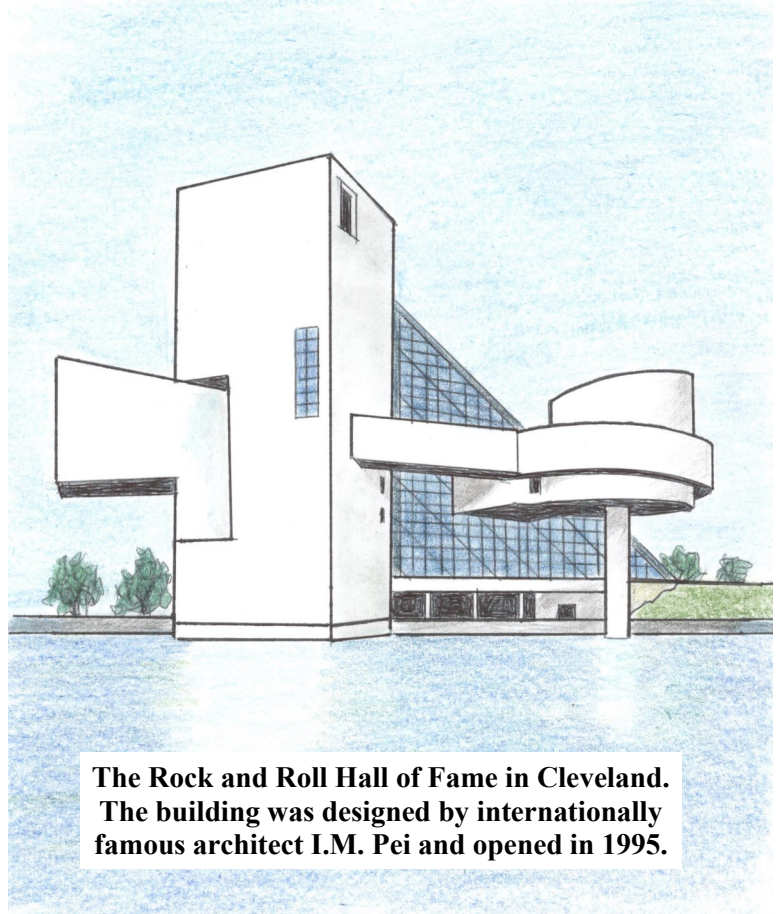
So the hunt was on for Rock and roll Hall of Fame inductees who also graced U.S. postage stamps with their images. A couple of stamps were obvious choices such as the Elvis stamps and the Jimi Hendrix forever stamp, but we were pleasantly surprised when 30 different subjects turned up on the lists of both the Hall of Fame inductees and those on U.S. stamps.

The Hall of Fame inducts performers, but also has a category called “Early Influencers” and that category added significantly to the number of stamp honorees available. Sixteen of those on the list shown on the next page are in the Hall of Fame based on this category.

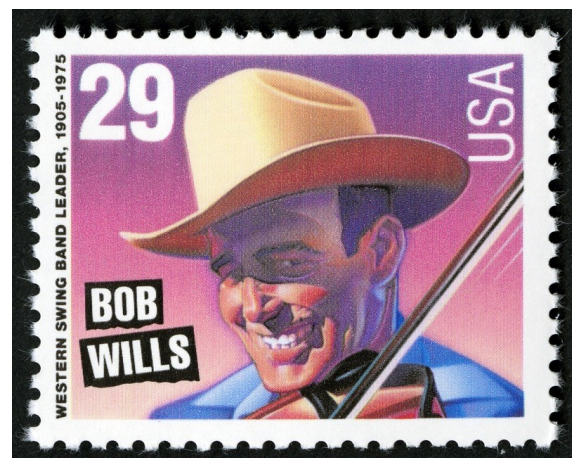
So Gospel, Jazz, Bluegrass, Country and other earlier forms of music with their key contributors grace both the Hall of Fame List and our U.S. stamp collections.

It is interesting to compare the dates inducted with the date of issue of the stamps and leads one to wonder if the fact that some were already in the Hall of Fame influenced the Citizen’s Stamp Advisory Committee when they were considering stamp subjects or vice versa.

Enjoy the list on the next page.



The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland. The building was designed by internationally famous architect I.M. Pei and opened in 1995.



Texas native Bills Wills (1905-1975) is a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee as an Early Influencer due to his involvement with the Western Swing genre.

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Inductees on U.S. Stamps

YR. INDUCTED	NAME	CATEGORY	SCOTT NO.	ISSUE YR.
	Rock and Roll		3187m	1999
1986	Buddy Holly	Performer	2729, 2736	1993
	Elvis Presley	Performer	2721, 2724, 2731, 5009	1993
	Jimmie Rodgers	Early Influencer	1755	1978
	Ray Charles	Performer	4807	2013
	Robert Johnson	Early Influencer	2857	1994
1987	Bill Haley	Performer	2725, 2732	1993
	Clyde McPhatter	Performer	2726, 2733	1993
	Hank Williams	Early Influencer	2723, 2723A, 2771, 2775	1993
	Muddy Waters	Performer	2855	1994
1988	Woodie Guthrie	Early Influencer	3213	1998
	Lead Belly	Early Influencer	3212	1998
	The Beatles	Performer	3188o	1999
1989	Bessie Smith	Early Influencer	2854	1994
	Otis Redding	Performer	2728, 2735	1993
1990	Louis Armstrong	Early Influencer	2982, 2984	1995
	Ma Rainey	Early Influencer	2859	1994
1991	Howlin' Wolf	Early Influencer	2861	1994
1992	Johnny Cash	Performer	4789	2013
	Jimi Hendrix	Performer	4880	2014
1993	Dinah Washington	Early Influencer	2730, 2737	1993
1994	John Lennon	Performer	5312-5315	2018
1995	Janis Joplin	Performer	4916	2014
1997	Mahalia Jackson	Early Influencer	3216	1998
1998	Jelly Roll Morton	Early Influencer	2986	1995
1999	Bill Wills	Early Influencer	2774, 2778	1993
2000	Billie Holiday	Early Influencer	2856	1994
	Nat "King" Cole	Early Influencer	2852	1994
2001	Richie Valens	Performer	2727, 2734	1993
2006	Miles Davis	Performer	4693	2012
2018	Sister Rosetta	Early Influencer	3219	1998

Aussie Study Group Update

The Aussie Study Group met on Saturday morning, Feb. 8. Two first-time attendees, Ed Christensen and Dick Moiel met with regulars John Germann, Larry Ballantyne and Jay and Denise Stotts.

The four regulars filled the first-timers in on what specialties within Australia they collect. John Germann showed some new cover acquisitions from his specialty, the bantam stamps of South Australia and Victoria.

Jay Stotts showed the first three miniature sheets issued by the Australian National Parks and Wildlife Service to support Koala research. The sheets contain "stamps" with different face values. The proceeds from the sale of these stamps go toward wildlife research.



The 1986 Koala Research sheet, the first of several annual such issues.

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Wanted: U.S. unusual postal history material; 1887 large banknote issue, 10¢ through 15¢ Washington/Franklin issues. Also, U.S. 19th century green cancels. David Willig, Houston, TX. 713-201-2042. cbhz3@hotmail.com

Buy/Sell/Trade: Texas Postal History. Email John Germann or phone him at 281-493-3938. ijhist@comcast.net

U.S. FACE VALUE POSTAGE - Offered at 50% of face. Order any amount from \$25 to \$300 Face Value and receive a mixture of 5¢ to 30¢ values. Clean and fresh material. Send order with payment to: Jonathan Topper, 10480 Grant Road, Suite 117, Houston, TX 77070. Stamps can be mailed to you or delivered at the next stamp club meeting.

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When : **First and third Monday of each month at 7:30 PM**

Where : **West University United Methodist Church, 3611 University Blvd., Houston, TX**

Visitors and new stamp collectors are always welcome.

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