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Greater Houston Stamp Show Is Just Around the Corner

We are currently in the middle of making preparations for our annual show, the Greater Houston Stamp Show. It is the most significant public philatelic event of the year within a geographic area bounded by Phoenix, Denver, St. Louis and Orlando. You would have to make a significant travel commitment to enjoy a larger show, yet it's right here in your own back yard.

So what makes the show so special? First, a few details:

Location: Our 21st consecutive year at the Humble Civic Center, 8233 Will Clayton Parkway, Humble.

Dates: Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sep. 21-22-23.

Times: 10 AM to 6 PM on Friday and Sat., 10 AM to 4 PM on Sun.

Parking and Admission: They're FREE.

Set-Up Day: Set-up day (Thursday, September 20th) is extremely important for us because at 10am on Friday morning we open to the public. We would love to have as many HPS members as possible because the list of tasks includes setting up the exhibit frames, mounting mail-in exhibits, making final room arrangements for the dealer booths and assisting with their move-in and set-up for the Beginners' Booth. We usually work between 1 PM and 6 PM. Show Chairman Ron Strawser has a sign-up sheet for volunteers that is circulated at each club meeting.

Exhibits: We are now in our fourteenth year of our the single-frame color competition. The GHSS single-frame exhibit is one of the best, if not the best in the country because it attracts exhibits from all over the United States. You will see a strong showing this year of Purple themed exhibits. The multi-frame competition typically attracts national level Gold Medal exhibits. Show visitors are encouraged to vote for their favorite exhibit by using the ballot enclosed in the show program. The exhibit getting the most votes by the end of Saturday will win the People's Choice Award.

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

Upcoming Philatelic Shows & Bourses

September 21-23, 2018

Greater Houston Stamp Show. This will be the 71st edition of our annual stamp show, the largest show of its kind between Phoenix, St. Louis and Orlando. We expect to have 32 of America's best stamp and postal history dealers. The three day show will feature a full compliment of exhibits including our nationally famous Single Frame Purple Stamp competition. Mark your calendar now to reserve the entire weekend including our Awards Extravaganza featuring the Door Prize Cash Quiz and all the BBQ you can eat.

November 2-3, 2018

Houston TSDA Bourse. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 7611 Katy Freeway (I-10 West, south side feeder road.) Bourse hours are 10-5 on Friday and 9-4 on Saturday. Web site: www.tsdastamps.com.

November 9-10, 2018

Mid-Cities Stamp Club Expo. Annual stamp show of the Mid-Cities Stamp Club. Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 Main St., Grapevine, TX 76051. (Highway 114 at Main Street exit, just north of DFW Airport) (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4).



Glass art from HPS member Dick Moiel's Houston Studio Glass will be the top four exhibiting prizes for GHSS 2018. All four pieces are in shades of purple and represent our featured Single Frame color, purple.

Upcoming Meetings

July 16 ...

Postal History at the Beginning of the Indonesian Revolution on Java 17-Aug-1945 to 31-Dec-1946
Bryant Korn will show us the interesting bits from this area.

August 6 ...

Called Floor Auction

Sellers may bring up to two lots to sell. Sale sheets are available on the HPS web site. Sellers and Buyers must be HPS club members. Bring your cash and buy as many lots as you wish.

August 20 ...

Philatelic Quiz

This is the evening we've all been waiting for. Ron Strawser will host the quiz, and remember, this is the night of the year that he pays the entire club back for us using him as our GHSS General Chairman.

September 3 ...

Story of Norfolk Island in Stamps and Plants

Tom Herbert will take us on a tour of this interesting area.

September 17 ...

Greater Houston Stamp Show Preparation Meeting

General show chairman Ron Strawser will lead the program. Each of the individual chairpersons will give a last-minute update on their areas and entertain questions from the general membership. Volunteer help will be a key part of the meeting.

October 1 ...

Greater Houston Show Wrap-Up Meeting

Each area chairperson will sum up the highlights for their area of responsibility and we'll entertain questions, comments and suggestions from the members. Everyone is welcome to bring a purchase from the show for Show-and-Tell.

October 15 ...

Called Floor Auction

Greater Houston Stamp Show (cont.)

Dealer Bourse: A list of GHSS 2018 scheduled dealers is shown at the right. We hope you have plenty of great finds from our dealers and please take a moment to thank them for attending GHSS when you shop with them. The names of new dealers added this year are shaded.

Food Concession: We firmly believe that having an on-site food concession is a key to supporting both our dealers and show attendees. The show is an all day experience and staying on the premises for lunch allows more time for shopping, attending our meetings or seminars and provide a great opportunity to talk stamps over lunch with friends.

We will need a few club members to help man the booth throughout the day each day, so consider volunteering for this station.

Seminars and Meetings: Speaking of meetings, Saturday has a full compliment of meetings and seminars. The complete list will be printed in the show program, so consult it for planned meetings.

Awards Banquet: The highlight of the show is our annual Awards Banquet. The dinner is a catered barbeque buffet. Ticket costs are modest (\$20, and subsidized by the club). The caterer will again be Papa's Bar-B-Q and will feature brisket, sausage, chicken, potato salad, beans, cole slaw, spicy rice, peach cobbler and pecan pie. We have capacity for up to 50 and usually come close to selling out, so contact Denise Stotts to reserve your spots.

After dinner, the festivities start with a fun quiz based on Texas trivia and U.S. Purple stamps. We play until we have given out \$100 in cash, \$5 at a time.

The Exhibit award winners are recognized during the Awards Ceremony. The big awards this year will be our Grand Award, Reserve Grand Award, Single Frame Grand Award and the Purple Single Frame Award.

We conclude the evening with the ceremony to determine the single frame color for next year. Our three APS accredited judges and three others picked at random from the audience will assist with the unique and entertaining ceremony.

Sunday: There's still plenty of shopping opportunities on Sunday at the bourse. Sunday is especially nice because it's very relaxed day compared to the hectic pace of the previous three days.

When the show closes at 4 PM, we need a good crew of volunteers to help with tear down. We remove the exhibits from the frames and disassemble the frames for shipment back to the storage facility. We also pack up the Beginners' Booth for storage.

GHSS 2018 DEALER

| Dealer Name | City |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Cunningham Philatelics | Plano, TX |
| Stamp Art | Lincoln City, OR |
| The Stamp Connection | The Woodlands, TX |
| Harris Stamps | Houston, TX |
| Crown Colony Stamps | Bellaire, TX |
| Charles Deaton | Houston, TX |
| Oklahoma Stamps | Tulsa, OK |
| Feral Cat Stamps & Cards | Metairie, LA |
| The Classic Philatelist | Crossville, TN |
| Sam Houston Philatelics | Houston, TX |
| A to Z Stamps | Tempe, AZ |
| Labron Harris | Glen Echo, MD |
| David Grossblat | Phoenix, AZ |
| Nieser Stamps & Coins | Houston, TX |
| stampsuniversal.com | Coppell, TX |
| Fred Boatwright | Hawk Point, MO |
| Fairwinds | Beaufort, NC |
| Melvin Edmonds | Stonewall, TX |
| Stamp Center of Texas | Boerne, TX |
| Weisz Stamps & Covers | New Orleans, LA |
| Hunt & Co. | Austin, TX |
| James F. Taff | Sacramento, CA |
| Mary Janes Stamp Shop | Houston, TX |
| Black Cat Philatelics | Tulsa, OK |
| D.K. Enterprises | Silverdale, WA |
| Newport Harbor Stamp C. | Newport Beach, CA |
| Paul Johnson Stamps | Katy, TX |
| George Watkins Stamps | Iola, TX |
| Oceanview Stamp Co. | Huntington Bch., CA |
| Double J Stamps | Arlington Hts., IL |
| RASLAD Enterprises | Gallup, NM |
| Kurt Schau | Petaluma, CA |
| Three Trails Stamps | Independence, MO |
| Postalhysteria | Montague, TX |

Denise Stotts Awarded APS Luff Award

Each year the American Philatelic Society (APS) recognizes three individuals as recipients of the Luff Award. This is the highest award that a philatelist can win in the United States. The three areas of recognition are for Distinguished Philatelic Research, Outstanding Service to the APS and Exceptional Contributions to Philately.

Denise has been recognized as the 2018 recipient for Exceptional Contributions to Philately. John Barwis of Michigan (and a former HPS member) will receive the 2018 Research award and Wayne Youngblood of Wisconsin will receive the 2018 Service to the APS award.

All three winners will be formally recognized at the APS Stampshow Celebration Banquet at StampShow in Columbus, Ohio in August. They will sign the prestigious Luff Scroll and receive commemorative rings.

In their press release, the APS stated "Stotts has been an active and tireless philatelic leader and volunteer at the national, state and local level for more than 25 years."

Locally, Denise's 23 year run as our Greater Houston Show Chair has produced a solid foundation for our annual show. She forged the original relationship with our venue, the Humble Civic Center and still serves in other show activities such as Banquet Chair.

She was always willing to be the face of a philatelic organization and frequently manned the registration counter at APS Stampshow and society booths at major shows such as those of AAPE and USSS.



A Short Summary List of Denise's Volunteer Contributions to Philately

National Level:

- ◆ APS Director At-Large, 2007-11
- ◆ APS Ethics Committee member
- ◆ APS Awards Committee member
- ◆ APS Chapter Activities Committee member
- ◆ APS Chapter Newsletter Competition Judge
- ◆ Women Exhibitors (WE) Board, 2009-present
- ◆ United States Stamp Society Awards Chair, 2004-present
- ◆ Washington 2006 World Philatelic Exhibition Assistant Director for Volunteers
- ◆ World Stamp Show - New York Bin Room Co-Chair
- ◆ Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship (YPLF) Advisory Board, 2010-13
- ◆ American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (AAPE) Board Member and Awards Chair, 2000-16
- ◆ Local Chair for Ameristamp Expo 1998, Houston

State Level:

- ◆ Texas Philatelic Association (TPA) Board Member, 2002-10
- ◆ Ohio Postal History Society (OPH) Secretary, 1988-2017

Local Level:

- ◆ Euclid, Ohio Programs Chair, EUPEX Show Committee Member
- ◆ Garfield-Perry Stamp Club March Party Show Committee, 1988-present
- ◆ Houston Philatelic Society Board, 1993-present
- ◆ Greater Houston Stamp Show General Chair, 1994-2016

Philatelic Awards:

- ◆ Garfield-Perry LaGanke Award, 1992
- ◆ TPA Distinguished Philatelic Texan Award, 2004
- ◆ AAPE Herdenberg Award, 2008
- ◆ APS Carter Award, 2016
- ◆ APS Luff Award, 2018



Closed Album - Oscar R. Mangini

Oscar attended several club meetings a year and especially liked auction nights. He had an extensive U.S. singles collection as well as other collections.

Oscar passed away on January 4 of this year at age 82. Professionally, he was an anatomic and clinical pathologist. He graduated from the National University of Córdoba in Argentina in 1960 and served in his field for more than 58 years.

He is survived by his wife Maria del Carmen Mangini, four children and nine grandchildren.



Study the picture above: note that the moon is in front of the ship's rigging!! Interesting??

Annual Directory Update

The annual publication of the Houston Philatelic Society's membership directory is coming up soon.

If you are already on the list and wish to make any changes (additions/subtractions/alterations), please contact John Germann at the email address below.

If you are not currently on the list but would like to join it, simply send me your name, email address and collecting interests. No mailing addresses or phone numbers are used. The list is emailed via "blind cc" and is not made public. Please do so before August.

Thanks, John Germann jghist@comcast.net

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR UPCOMING TPAF ELECTIONS

By Ray Cartier

Nominations are now open for the upcoming Texas Philatelic Association Foundation (TPAF) Elections for 2019. This first election under the new organization will include:

- ◆ Two (2) directors for one-year terms
- ◆ Two (2) directors for two-year terms
- ◆ Two (2) directors for three-year terms

Each prospect should prepare a written statement signifying his or her willingness to run for a Director position. A pdf form for this purpose is available on this website at:

<http://www.texasstamps.org/Nominationform-2019R1.pdf>

The new bylaws of the TPAF appeared in the November 2017 issue of *The Texas Philatelist*. You may also find a pdf of the bylaws at:

<http://www.texasstamps.org/TPAF%20ByLaws%202017-Final%5b1187%5d.pdf>

We encourage our Chapters to submit a candidate from their club to assure that we have a representative range of Directors from our various chapters. The necessary information must be submitted to TPA Secretary/Treasurer Darryl Metting, PO Box 285, Shiner TX 77984-0285, or by email to his attention at ihred65@yahoo.com by **Oct. 1, 2018**.

Voting will conclude on Dec. 15, 2018.

The Directors elected will choose a President and Vice President from among themselves. Those who hold the appointed positions of Secretary/Treasurer, *Journal* Editor or Website Coordinator may elect to run for the Board if they wish to have a vote but they do not have to. A list of candidates and their biographies will appear in the November issue of the *Journal of Texas Philately & Postal History*. Again, the deadline for the receipt of votes for all candidates is Dec. 15, 2018.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek, Artist

Chiang Kai-shek (1887-1975), military and political leader of the Republic of China from 1928 to 1975, had an extremely talented wife.

Madame Chiang (1898-2003) was an artist specializing in flowers and landscapes. Critics have compared her work to ancient Chinese masters from 2,000 years earlier.

Several of her works appeared on Republic of China stamps through the years. Examples are from 1975 (Scott 1960-63), 1977 (2038-41) and 1987 (2577-80).



Chiang Kai-shek
Scott No. 722



Madame Chiang
Scott No. 4138



Scott No. 2579, *Vista of Tranquility*

Classified Ads:

Members may place philatelically related Buy, Sell, or Trade ads in *The Perforator* free of charge. HPS Dealer-Members may place free classified or feature ads in *The Perforator* at no charge as well. Member ads will run indefinitely until the advertiser requests a change or cancellation. Send copy to the editor.

Wanted: Mint and used stamps and post-cards from China (years 1878-1985). David Wu, Houston, TX. 832-276-2956.
freefoodwater@yahoo.com

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.
jghist@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.

A Word About The Houston Philatelic Society...

Enjoy the fun of stamp collecting by sharing your interests with fellow collectors at an upcoming HOUSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY meeting.

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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