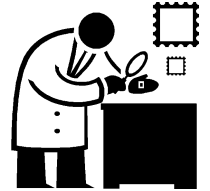


COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY
APS Chapter #043067



JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

Commentary & Updates

Greetings in 2023!

As your President, I trust and hope (like the SC state motto, *While I breath, I Hope*) each member will enjoy the fruits of their philatelic hobby with new acquisitions and building of their collection, not only of stamps but friendships as well which go along with the hobby.

The BIG news for CPS today is we have a NEW venue in which we will meet for this new year of 2023. After Further contact with the AL Post 130, their terms for further rent of the facility could not be met as agreed to by our officers. Henceforth, with additional information and leads by CPS members, a more stable and cost inclusive site was found. Our January 15th meeting will convene at the **TRI-CITY LEISURE CENTER** bldg. located at **485 Brooks Avenue, West Columbia** (29169). We have a nice room, ample seating and tables plus free setup. Lacking is a method to hang our projector screen as we had at the AL Post 130 bldg. But, that is being addressed and by the 15th, we may have that remedied as well. There is counter space and sink for refreshments. We are responsible for cleaning up after each meeting. The rental fee is \$15/hour!!! The bldg opens at 1:00 PM on Sundays so we will continue to set up in the room @ 1:30-2:00 with the meeting starting promptly after that. *Directions?* If you are familiar with Knox Abbott Drive as it continues west from the Congaree, recall the location of the former K-Mart on Hwy 321 which begins at the elbow of Knox Abbott Drive & Hwy 321.

Proceed on 321 to intersection of Airport Blvd, Maurice's BBQ and WILLIAMS St. Take a right on Willams St and proceed to the intersection of 602 (Platt Springs Rd) & Dreher Rd, turns left onto 602. Go to next STOP light & turn right onto BROOKS Ave and the Tri City Rec Ctr in about 2 blocks on the left. Coming from Lexington on Hwy 1, at the intersection of the Wal-Mart Supercenter, turn right onto Dreher Rd and proceed to stop at 602 (Platt Springs Rd) and turn right onto 602. Next stop light is Butler Avenue. Turn right and follow to the Tri-City Leisure Center.

I want to thank Bob Anderson, Jerry Emanuel and Frank Weicke who met together to discuss our meeting venue options and to discuss our future Constitution & By Laws put together by Gary Baker. We are proceeding with Gary's help and my own with getting this document to where it needs to be. A finalized copy will be made available PRIOR to the February meeting where it will be discussed. A final copy will be ratified at that time and a vote will be held at the March meeting for adoption or rejection. Stay tuned to future developments.

The January meeting will be our quarterly auction meeting. Bob Anderson has agreed to be our auctioneer replacing Lewis Boatwright who is recuperating from surgery prior to this newsletter. We wish Lewis a speedy and complete recovery and we expect to see him at the Winter Stamp & Post Card show, February 18-19th at Spring Valley High School.

Bring auctionable items you wish to place in the auction. Highest bidder wins. Auction materials will be available for marking your offerings. Please limit size of personal items to 10/member.

Business

1. Our winter stamp and post card show is **February 18-19th** at our usual venue. According to show director, Mark Postmus, dealers are responding with twelve as the target number supporting the show. We may even get 13 to attend. Details will be provided again at our forthcoming January meeting. If

you want to exhibit, you are encouraged to do so. In fact, you are asked to get involved in showing what you collect by creating a simple single frame (16 page or less) exhibit. We have experienced exhibitors who will be happy to assist you. See Bob Anderson for further details. Bob Anderson has created a nice cachet and is responsible, with Mark Postmus, for the show theme honoring the SC School Bus Drivers in connection with the release 24 cent school bus issue on January 18th. A sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting this month for time slots to manage the registration desk and cachet sales. Please sign by Sunday coming to reserve your time to support the show. We are expecting support from USPS for the show, at least one of the two days.

2. DUES for 2023 are being collected. See Gary Baker, Dale Carruth to get your payment made and membership updated. \$12/annual single, \$20 per family. Renewal application is attached. Complete & return with your dues.

Programs

D.C. Locke will provide the featured program as he continues his epilogue of Native American Heritage as recorded with US postal issues at the meeting at our new venue.

VP Bob Anderson has openings available for the featured and show & tell programs for Feb and March. Refreshments are covers for January but assistance is needed to cover February and March. **\$30 food allowance payment will be provided for each member signing up for the refreshment activity.** Sign up NOW!

Announcements

1. **The Southeast Stamp Expo** is the largest show in the SE, held annually last full weekend in January at the Atlanta Hilton NE hotel. This year's event is a 3 day show as usual, January 27-29th. Special motel rates are available @ \$115/night plus taxes and a \$5 advertising fee which includes **2 free** breakfast tickets valued at \$15.99. See your President for details. Forty plus dealers are signed up. CPS usually has a good turnout for the event. Members wishing to attend one day are encouraged to carpool and make the trip. See Bob Anderson to coordinate. Your President will be exhibiting, holding down a topical booth as well as providing a PP program during the show and attending the annual board of directors meeting at the end of the show.
2. If you subscribe to multiple stamp organization publications, please save, and bring at our monthly meetings. We want to offer these as part of our outreach program by making them available. Any philatelic literature is welcomed.

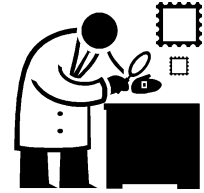


Upcoming CPS Show, Feb 18-19, 2023

THE COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY IS YOUR STAMP CLUB!
APS Affiliate Chapter for 58 years! JOIN & BECOME A MEMBER OF CPS, APS, ATA
See John Owen or Jerry Emanuel for an application

The Columbia Philatelic Society meets on 3rd Sunday of each month excepting Our Summer & Winter Stamp shows (2nd Sunday). Our **NEW location is 485 Brooks Avenue, Tri-City Leisure & Recreation Center, West Columbia, SC 29169**
Meeting time is 2 PM with doors opening at 1:30.
An annual holiday banquet is held in December.
Membership is by calendar year, \$12/annum. Dues are pro-rated to month

joining. Payable by check or cash. Applications available. Request from John Owen.
Points of contact include John Owen (johnwovensr@gmail.com), Bob Anderson
(suziepepperlaurie@yahoo.com) or Jerry Emanuel (jemassoc2@gmail.com).



COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION - RENEWAL Form

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Please complete the form. Submit to CPS secretary or treasurer. Checks for dues can be made out to "CPS". If you pay with cash, request a receipt. Thank you for renewing your membership in CPS. Your support of CPS is important. CPS Officer info sheet available upon request (printed annually, updated continuously). Membership list (printed copy) available also upon request to Secretary or Treasurer. This list is confidential for members use only.

NAME: _____ Today's Date: _____
ADDRESS: _____ Apt/Unit _____
CITY/STATE: _____ Zip+4: _____ - _____
CONTACT INFO: Telephone (H) _____ - _____ - _____
(C) _____ - _____ - _____
E-Mail: _____

I certify the information is correct and understand this information is confidential and for CPS members use only.

Signature:

(Required for data use/sharing)

If there any changes in your address or other info, please complete this form. Otherwise, if information on file is correct, just add your name for CPS to credit your membership.

Dues for adults (18 yrs+) are \$12/annum (Jan 1-Dec 31);

Family membership (2 or more) is \$20.00/annum. Pay balance of year when joining anytime during year. All communication of meetings, notices & info are supplied via e-mail. If you do not have e-mail, same will be provided via USPS. CPS meets once monthly: 3rd^t Sunday each month @ Tri-Cit Leisure & Recreation Center; 485 Butler Ave, West Columbia, SC 29169. POC: President John Owen @803-465-7977 or E-mail: johnwovensr@gmail.com.

Application & payment can be sent to Treasurer: Gary Baker, 201 Pilgrim Point Drive; Lexington, SC 29072-8210 and palbook@aol.com

HAPPY COLLECTING!