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July-August Meetings

Our summer meetings are informal gatherings with no society business being conducted. Still, we promise an interesting time for all. Both months offer a chance for trading or selling some of your philatelic items.

In **July**, members are encouraged to bring in items that need researching. Hopefully we can help identify that strange stamp or philatelic item. For **August** we have HAMPEX'13 where members create a stock page related to one of their collecting interests.

There will also be an informal bourse at both meetings. Our regular meetings start back up in the fall with a presentation on U.S. telegraph stamps by **Roger Brody** on September 17th.

One change this year is that we are publishing a summer newsletter. We hope you enjoy this issue.

Stamp Identification

We need to make these selections more difficult. **Bill McCarroll** very quickly identified last month's stamp as Yugoslavia #4LB1, an overprint of 3LP2, referred to as a Ljubljana Print and issued in 1920.



Let's try this one out. The general design-type should be familiar to most collectors. It is important to remember that most stamps contain the name of the issuing country (Great Britain being one exception).

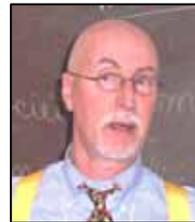
So pull out those catalogs and get to work.

25 free stamps from our 5-10c boxes or albums for the first correct responder.

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President's Message



My thanks go out to the officers and support staff for their work over the past year. As I have said before, our society would not be as active and exciting without the efforts of our volunteers. I would especially like to thank **Tony Zingale** for putting together our newsletter. Please consider helping by writing an article or two about your favorite hobby.

This summer is excellent time to review your collection and consider your goals for the next year. Are there items in your collection you don't fully understand? What does this stamp commemorate or what does the special marking on the cover mean? This is a perfect time to increase your philatelic knowledge by doing a little research.

I hope to see you at our informal meetings in July and August. There is no business session – just pleasant conversation among philatelists. Please stop by, and perhaps bring some of your extra material with you for selling or trading. Best wishes – Jeff.

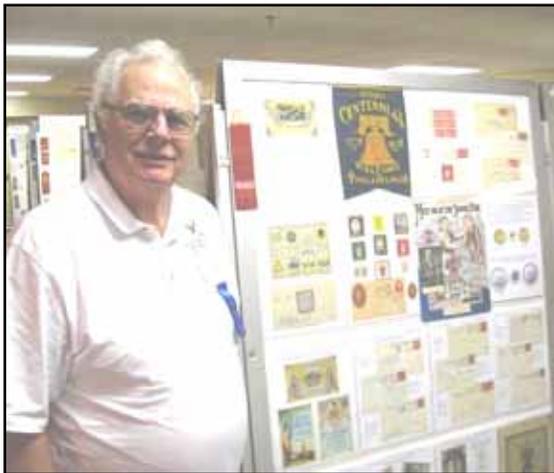
HTPS Meetings . . .

Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM at the Hamilton Township Library, 1 Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr. Way, off Whitehorse Mercerville Road, Hamilton, NJ (Mercer County).

NOJEX 2013

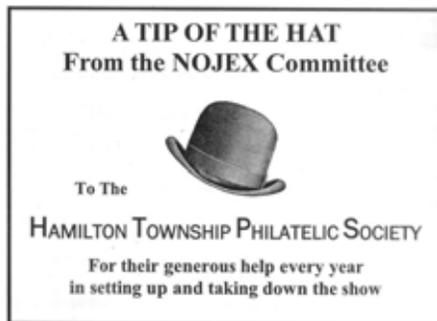
The 50th annual NOJEX show was held at the Empire Meadowlands hotel in Secaucus over the Memorial Day weekend. Several HTPS members – **Ed Murtha**, **Hank Applegate** and **Jeff Boyarsky** – helped to setup the exhibits and bourse on Thursday before the show.

There were over 40 dealers at the bourse, including our own **Sid Morginstin**. HTPS member **Hank Applegate's** exhibit – “*Meet Me in Philly, Billy*” which highlighted the 1926 Philadelphia Sesquicentennial Exhibition (see photo below) – was awarded a Vermeil. The exhibit has also earned Gold at MERPEX 2012, SPRINGPEX 2013, SCOPEX 2013 and First Place / Most Popular Exhibit at DELPEX 2013. Hank presented a slide show of his fascinating exhibit at our April 2011 meeting. You can access his work on our website's Presentation screen.



On Sunday, at the end of the show, HTPS members **Tony Zingale** and **Jack Sack** helped with the take-down of the exhibits.

HTPS received a special thank-you in the NOJEX program book for the help we have provided over the years. We offer a “THANK YOU” for the thank you.

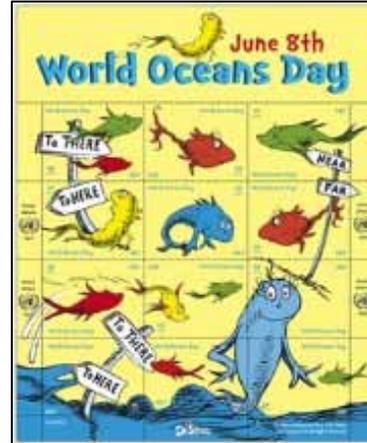


Next year the show will NOT be held over the Memorial Day weekend, but on the following weekend so that dealers can attend both the NOJEX and NAPEX shows. Save the date!

NAPEX 2013

... by **Jack Sack**

In late May, **Tony Zingale** and I traveled to Tysons Corner, Virginia, just outside Washington D.C., to



attend the 2013 NAPEX show. We found two rooms of exhibits, numerous presentations and an 80 dealer bourse. During the show, the United Nations postal group held the First Day of Issue ceremony for the “World Oceans Day”

mini-sheet featuring some Dr. Seuss characters.

One of the biggest draws at this show was the variety of dealers that we do not normally see at local shows. Two examples are **A&D Stamp & Coin** from California (shown below) and **A-to-Z Stamps and Coins**, from Arizona. Both have huge inventories stored in hundreds of red ‘102’ boxes, dealer books and binders. At times, the A&D tables had a line of a dozen collectors waiting for a spot at their large booth.



One nice feature of the show was that the exhibits were setup in rooms separate from, though adjacent to, the large bourse area and were open early in the morning and later after the bourse closed. This allowed show goes to view the exhibits both before and while the bourse was open.

We stayed three nights and enjoyed the diversity of dealers, exhibits and presentations. Those experiences and the wonderful dinners made the three hour trip to NAPEX well worth the effort.

May – June Proceedings . . . by Jack Sack

The HTPS **May meeting** was packed with a lot of activity. The primary business event was the election of our officers for another term. The current group was re-elected unanimously:

- ⇒ President: **Jeff Boyarsky**
- ⇒ Vice-President: **Andrew Boyajian**
- ⇒ Treasurer: **Ron Gonzalez**
- ⇒ Secretary: **Bob Stolarz**

President Boyarsky, in his acceptance speech, asked for more member participation in HTPS activities. Jeff noted that, without that support, some of the society activities may have to be curtailed. He also stated that he would not run for re-election next year.

There were a number of mini-presentations from our members. **Milton Keiles** showed some of his postal related labels (airmail etiquettes and such) and asked the members to check their collections for similar items that may be of interest to him.



An informative presentation was provided by **Jack Sack** on the 2c Van Riebeeck's Ship stamp of South Africa. The stamp was in use for over 25 years (1926-1951) and had many different printings. Jack showed how to distinguish the different printings by the type-face and size of the stamp.

A good crowd was on-hand for our **June meeting**. The evening began with the usual business matters. **Bob Stolarz** thanked the group for their kind notes following the passing of this wife. **Hank Applegate** noted that the Merchantville club is planning a bus trip to the National Postal Museum in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, October 10th. HTPS members are welcome to come if there is room available.

Liam Stolarz brought in a map of Hamilton (shown at the right) along with a book on its history. There is a question regarding the origin of the name of the town, originally known as Nottingham. Some historians say it is named for Alexander Hamilton while others believe it is named after the town of Hamilton in England. Liam did not voice his opinion on the controversy.

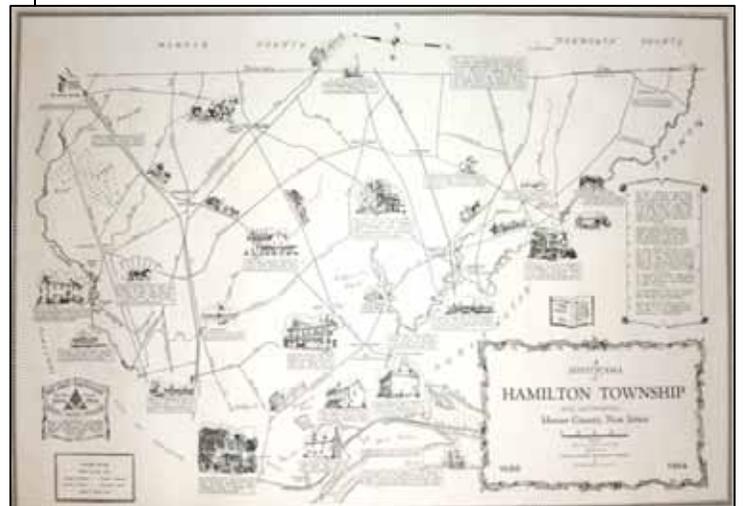
The highlight of the evening was the semi-annual **auction**, presided over by **Tony Zingale**. There were a number of interesting items up for sale, including a selection of first day covers from the collection designed by the late **John Ranto**.

There was also several stamp collections on the auction block along with supplies and catalogs. Everyone had a pleasant evening and the club made a nice profit.

HTPS 2013-2014 Program

We are still looking for a few more speakers for our 2013-2014 philatelic season. The current meeting presentations / events include:

- ⇒ Sept. 17 – “*U.S. Telegraph Stamps*”
by Roger Brody
- ⇒ Oct. 15 – “*ILA*” (International Aeronautics Show)
by Hank Applegate
- ⇒ Nov. 19 – “*And Now What?*”
by Ron Gonzalez
- ⇒ Dec. 17 – Holiday Party / Show & Tell
- ⇒ Jan. 21 – Society Auction
- ⇒ Feb. 18 – TBD
- ⇒ Mar. 18 – TBD
- ⇒ April 15 – TBD
- ⇒ May 20 – HTPS Member Presentations
- ⇒ June 17 – Society Auction
- ⇒ July 15 – Sell & Swap Meeting
- ⇒ Aug. 19 – HAMPEX'14



Transitions

Source: *The Times*

Patricia A. Stolarz, 70, of Hamilton Township passed away on Tuesday at Compassionate Care Hospice in St. Francis Medical Center. She will be missed greatly by all who knew and loved her.

Born in Trenton, Patricia grew up in Lower Makefield Township, PA, and had resided in the Hamilton Township area since 1971. In her spare time, she enjoyed reading, watching television, and going on long car rides with her husband Bob.

Daughter of the late Robert and Virginia O'Neal Pharo, Sr., she is survived by her loving husband of 49 years, Robert Stolarz Sr.; her two sons and their spouses, Robert and Maryellen Stolarz, Jr. and Timothy and Rose Stolarz; five grandchildren, Heather, Matthew, Kyle, Liam, and Colin Stolarz; her brother, Robert Pharo Jr., and his wife, Renee, and one niece, Amanda Pharo, and her two K-9 companions, Louie and Shane.

We extend our condolences to Bob and the Stolarz family members.

HTPS Website

We will be working on our website over the summer and are asking members (and readers) to check it out at www.HamiltonPhilatelic.org.



Our first task is to verify the accuracy of the website content. The site contains many philatelic links to other philatelic websites. Sometimes site addresses change or sites are deleted. It would be helpful if our readers could check out those links.

We are also considering adding HTPS member information to the site. Members can determine what information we will display. Perhaps we can limit it to their collecting interests.

Finally, we welcome any suggestions on how to improve the site. Just email us at hinge@HamiltonPhilatelic.org or via postal mail at P.O. Box 3443, Mercerville, NJ 08619.

The objective of our Newsletter is to promote philately, educate and inform our members and to encourage other like-minded individuals to join the Hamilton Township Philatelic Society.

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Newsletter Articles ...

We always welcome philatelic articles, ideas or suggestions. Contact Tony Zingale at P.O. Box 3443, Mercerville, NJ 08619; or call 609-890-8211; or email us at hinge@HamiltonPhilatelic.org.

----- HTPS Meeting Program -----

- ⇒ July 16 – Sell and Swap Meeting
- ⇒ Aug. 20 – HAMPEX'13
- ⇒ Sept. 17 – “U.S. Telegraph Stamps”
by Roger Brody
- ⇒ Oct. 15 – “ILA” (International Aeronautics)
by Hank Applegate

We are looking for two speakers for the February, March and April 2014 meeting programs. Please contact us for details.

Upcoming Events

July 2013 . . .

7/3 → Merchantville Stamp Club Meeting – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (Merchantville Ave) – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM – <http://mysite.verizon.net/vzexkfun/>.

7/6 → MSC Stamp Bourse – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (at Merchantville Avenue) – Pennsauken, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – <http://mysite.verizon.net/vzexkfun/>.

7/7 → Garden State Stamp, Coin & Currency Show – P.A.L. Building – 33 Baldwin Rd – Parsippany, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – 973-335-0555.

7/12-14 → MetroExpo – Holiday Inn – 440 W. 57th St – NYC – Fri: 10 to 6 PM – Sat: 10 AM to 5 PM – Sun: 10 AM to 3 PM – www.metroexpos.com.

7/13 → 2nd Saturday Bourse – American Legion Post – Rtes. 130 North & 33 East – Hightstown, NJ – 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

7/16 → HTPS MEETING – Hamilton Township Public Library – Hamilton, NJ – 7 PM – Sell & Swap Meet.

7/17 → MSC Meeting – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM – [see 7/3 meeting for details].

7/21 → Wayne Stamp & Collectibles Bourse – Fire Company #1 – 93 Parrish Drive – Wayne, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM.

7/28 → Tri-State Coin & Stamp Show (4th Sunday) – Holiday Inn – PA Tpke (Exit 339) & Rt. 309 – Ft. Washington, PA – 10 AM to 4 PM.

August 2013 . . .

8/1 → MSC Meeting – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM – [see 7/3 meeting for details].

8/3 → MSC Stamp Bourse – Temple Lutheran Church – 5600 Route 130 North (at Merchantville Avenue) – Pennsauken, NJ – 9 AM to 4 PM – <http://mysite.verizon.net/vzexkfun/>.

8/4 → Garden State Coin & Stamp Show – Parsippany, NJ – [see 7/7 show for details].

8/8-11 → **APS StampShow 2013** – Delta Center – 400 West Wisconsin Avenue – Milwaukee, WI – 150+ dealers – 15,000 exhibit pages – Thurs. to Sat. 10 AM to 6 PM – Sun. 10 AM to 4 PM – www.stamps.org/Stampshow-ss.

8/10 → 2nd Saturday Bourse – American Legion Post – Hightstown, NJ – [see 7/13 show for details].

8/18 → Wayne Stamp & Collectibles Bourse – Wayne, NJ – [see 7/21 show for details].

8/20 → HTPS MEETING – Hamilton Township Public Library – Hamilton, NJ – 7 PM – HAMPEX'13 (member exhibits).

8/21 → MSC Meeting – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM – [see 7/3 meeting for details].

8/25 → Tri-State Coin & Stamp Show (4th Sunday) – Ft. Washington, NJ – [see 7/28 show for details].

8/30-31 → MERPEX XXXVII – St. Cecilia School – 4851 Camden Avenue – Pennsauken, NJ – Fri: 10 AM to 6 PM, Sat: 9 AM to 5 PM.

8/30-31, 9/1 → BALPEX – Hunt Valley Inn (Wyndham) – 245 Shawan Road – Hunt Valley, MD – Fri / Sat: 10 AM to 6 PM – Sun: 10 AM to 3 PM – www.balpex.org

September 2013 . . .

9/1 → Garden State Coin & Stamp Show – Parsippany, NJ – [see 7/7 show for details].

9/5 → MSC Meeting – Pennsauken, NJ – Opens at 7 PM [see 7/3 meeting for details].

9/14 → 2nd Saturday Bourse – American Legion Post – Hightstown, NJ – [see 7/13 show for details].

9/15 → Wayne Stamp & Collectibles Bourse – Wayne, NJ – [see 7/21 show for details].

9/17 → HTPS MEETING – Hamilton Township Public Library – Hamilton, NJ – 7 PM.

NOTE: For updated or additional information, see www.stampshows.com, www.stamps.org and www.postal-history.com/showpage.html.