



The Philately Fun Times

The Columbia Philatelic Society July 2018

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Next Meeting

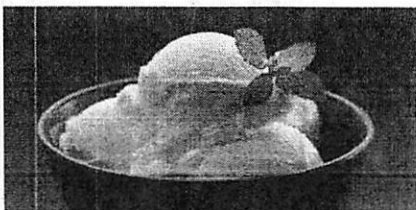
The next meeting of the Columbia Philatelic Society will be Tuesday, **July 17th** at our usual place (now called Solstice), at 109 Keene St. in Columbia.

6:00 Pre-meeting buying, selling, and socializing

6:30 Business meeting & FUN

This month, we'll have our summer party! Enjoy an **Ice Cream Social**, courtesy of **John Marquardt** (he usually brings other goodies as well) PLUS some fun **Trivia** action.

Dave is putting together a couple dozen philatelic trivia questions—some easy, some hard, and you'll immediately have a chance to win something nice on each one. So, come join the party next Tuesday!



Last Time

Unpaid sources tell me that **Al White** gave a great program on Philatelic Security Features that focused on watermarks. Thanks so much, Al!

Upcoming 2018 Programs

Jul.: Ice Cream Social + Trivia (**John M.**)

Aug.: Club Fundraising & Col. \$ Auctions

Sep.: "Clothesline" (1-Page) Exhibits

Oct.: Kids and Stamps (**Scott Ward**)

Nov.: Fall Auction/Elections

Dec.: Christmas Party

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Canada's "Bluenose" Stamp of 1929

2018 Officers

President: **Jean Walker**

V.P./Librarian/APS: **David Durbin**

Treasurer: **John Marquardt**

Newsletter: **Dave Benish**

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This Month's Winner

The random winner this month for an extra \$30 Columbian in his newsletter is **Lester Perkins**. Congratulations!

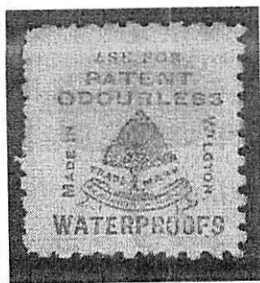
Registered Envelopes



Registered envelopes were pioneered by Britain, the first being issued in 1878. Adhesive stamps covering the postage had to be affixed to the envelope, but a special registration stamp was already embossed on the envelope, as above.

Advertising on Backs of Stamps

The first attempt to transmit advertising on stamps issued by a government postal administration took place in 1887 when Pears Soap had their printed on the gum on the back of British 1/2p and 1p stamps (Jubilee series). However, this was only an experiment and never gained official sanction.



New Zealand **did** permit commercial advertising on the back of its definitive stamps of 1893. A different ad appeared on the back of each of the stamps of a sheet, so it was therefore possible to reconstruct the entire sheet. Beecham's Pills and Sunlight Soap were just two of the various products.

The public objected to them, however, because they thought they were licking ink off the gum (although the ink was actually under the gum), so that was discontinued in two years.

"Rosie the Riveter" Stamp

You may recognize the stamp below as part of the "Celebrate the Century" series of sheets that covered each decade. This particular 1999 stamp features a poster from World War II that contains a woman worker.



This poster was produced in 1942 by the Westinghouse Company of the U.S., which had shifted production from some household appliances to war equipment. The woman in the poster was Naomi Parker.

Dave's Corner

Although the first stamp I ever put into an album was the 1959 Silver Centennial commemorative (when I was nine), I actually started collecting philatelic items a year earlier.

I would go to empty lots in Phoenix where I lived and look for discarded empty cigarette packs. Then I would carefully remove the cigarette tax stamps from the packs (usually with scissors). I would then proceed to "mount" them with Scotch tape on a sheet of lined school notebook paper.



So I had been bitten the "collecting bug" early. Like many such affected people, I've ended up collecting many other things – coins, carved birds, signatures, postcards, etc.

I think many other stamp collectors have additional collections as well. We just enjoy the process and satisfaction of adding to a collection and appreciating the result.