



## *The Philately Fun Times*

### The Columbia Philatelic Society August 2018

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#### Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Columbia Philatelic Society will be Tuesday, **August 21<sup>st</sup>** 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 & Auctions**

The activity this month is:

#### **Club Fundraising and Columbian Dollar Auctions**

The Club Fundraising Auction uses "real money" with all proceeds going to the club.

The Columbian \$ Auction will use the Columbian \$ that members receive with the newsletter, for meeting attendance, etc.

Donations of philatelic items for the Club Fundraising Auction and Columbian \$ Auction are always greatly appreciated! It's a great use for those better duplicates. Please note that these are both live, verbal auctions so NO BID SHEETS are needed for your donated items.

#### Last Time

**John Marquardt** treated us all to ice cream and cookies, and we had a good chance to socialize with other members.

We also had a little Trivia Contest where members could win philatelic postage. I think everyone had fun that evening.

#### Upcoming 2018 Programs

**Aug.:** Club Fundraising & Col. \$ Auctions

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

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

**Nov.:** Fall Auction/Elections

**Dec.:** Christmas Party



U.S. Trans-Mississippi stamp of 1898

#### 2018 Officers

President: **Jean Walker**

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

Treasurer: **John Marquardt**

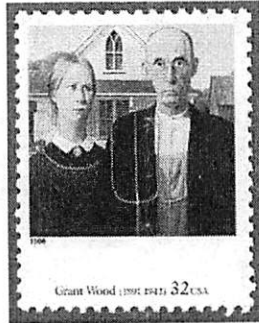
Newsletter: **Dave Benish**

Webmaster: **Rebecca DeCourley**

#### This Month's Winner

The random winner this month for an extra \$30 Columbian in his newsletter is **Paul Berg** Congratulations! This is a great time to get them, right before the auction.

## Art on Stamps



Art has always been a popular subject for topical collections. After all, every stamp is essentially a miniature work of art itself. A topical collection of art could focus on a specific artist, a certain type of art (like impressionism), or perhaps a period of time (like 20<sup>th</sup> Century art). The above painting, "American Gothic" by Grant Wood (1930) fits into the latter category (yes, I had to look it up!).

Speaking of topicals, the annual Stamp Show of APS was recently held in Columbus, OH (Aug. 8-12) and was co-hosted by the American Topical Association. Perhaps someone from our club made it over there, and can tell us about it at the next meeting.

## Stamp Safety

The following is a short list of items to keep away from the proximity of your stamps: \

- **Beverages of any kind** (they can easily be knocked over by you or a pet).
- **Food**
- **Pens, markers, etc.**
- **Cigarettes**
- **Anything sharp or sticky**



## World Fairs and Stamps

There have been many World Fairs, and a substantial number of them have had related stamps. Here is a list of the U.S. ones:

- 1893 Columbian Exposition
- 1898 Trans-Mississippi and Intn'l Expo.
- 1901 Pan American Exposition
- 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition
- 1907 Jamestown Exposition
- 1909 Alaska-Yukon Exposition
- 1933 Century of Progress
- 1939 New York World's Fair
- 1962 Century 21 (Seattle)
- 1964 New York World's Fair

Stamps have been both a great way to publicize and commemorate these events plus provide souvenirs and collectables for them.



## Dave's Corner

Although it's hot outside it's not too early to start thinking about Christmas or Channukah presents! They'e less than 20 weeks away. And I'm thinking about **philatelic** holiday presents for some people I know.

For example, last Christmas I gave my friend Sharon a framed "Daniel Boone" cover with a colorful cachet, stamp, and signed by Fess Parker (the TV Daniel Boone). Although Sharon doesn't collect stamps, she is a descendant of Daniel Boone, so it meant a lot to her (I did have other presents, too, for the record).

The beautiful part of a philatelic present is that it connects our interest with something that (hopefully) will be of interest to them. And the present doesn't even need to be expensive!

We talked at the last meeting about philatelic bookmarks, refrigerator magnets, etc. Any of those would make a nice present.