



# The Greater Philadelphia Stamp & Collectors Club



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Successor to the Philadelphia Stamp Club and The Collectors Club of Philadelphia

Founded 1885

***Meeting: June 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00, Live Only  
In the Community Rooms of the Willow Grove Giant***

**Dinner:** For those who would like to join us for dinner beforehand, we will meet at the nearby **Willow Tavern** (formerly the Willow Inn) at 5:00 for cocktails followed by dinner at 5:30. The Willow Tavern is located at 210 York Rd, Willow Grove, about a block from the Giant Supermarket.

***Reminder: There will be NO MEETING in JULY!***  
And no Newsletter as well. We will start up again on Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>.

***June Program: Jack Dakessian  
Stamps of Armenia and Nagorno Karabagh***

Our member, Jack Dakessian, will present a program on Armenia and the adjoining disputed territory, Nagorno Karabagh. He will bring stamps from all these areas to show us.



*Jack Dakessian*

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***Free Dues Offered for New Members!***

An anonymous Club member came up with a “Pay It Forward” concept to attract new members to join us in the coming year and the idea was approved at the May meeting. The donor will pay the full years dues for the next 10 new people to join our Club as an incentive to grow our membership! So let your stamp loving friends know! And many thanks go to the donor!

## ***Awards***

Congratulations to Mark Schwartz for his large gold, the American First Day Cover Society Award, and the Stephen Luster Award for excellence at NAPEX earlier this month in McLean, Virginia for his exhibit "The 5¢ Virginia Dare Stamp of 1937." Mark also took a gold with his "The Postal History of Gloucester, Massachusetts and its Environs to 1851."



*Mark Schwartz*

## ***From the Mailbox***

Dear GPS & CC,

I received your club newsletter and I see that you have members who have an interest in Israeli Stamps. I have a handmade album that I acquired of very early First Day Covers, including those with Tabs, Registrations and plate blocks, which I am interested in selling. If anyone else in your club would potentially have an interest in this, please have them contact me. Please leave a message, as I often do not pick up the phone for numbers that I do not recognize.

Chuck Buboltz (APS # 226195) Ph. 610-716-3373 (cell)  
111 Carter Way  
Glen Mills, Pa. 19342

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Dear GPS & CC,

I am looking for stamp trading events, where people show up with their stock books and trade with one another, reminiscent of the days when I started collecting stamps decades ago. This "trading" rather than the "buying and selling" that I am doing now is a lot more fun. I have not yet found any online stamp trading sites and was wondering if [anyone] could orient me as to what is now available.

I have been a dormant philatelist for many years accumulating stamps through the years, in the last two years of Covid I have been able to catalog my collection and I am currently focusing on three countries: Italy, Germany and the USA. They are fairly good collections, and I am still looking for some stamps to complete these as best I can.

Rick Jezzi Ph. 610-202-2374  
169 Upland Terrace  
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

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Dear GPS & CC,

I am a collector from Australia who wants to swap Australian stamps for US stamps. Please contact:

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Mudgeeraba 4213

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## ***Minutes of the May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, GPS & CC Meeting***

Acting President Phil Russell began the business meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** With our three new members, we have 53 members in all. It was agreed that mailing out 180 information packets about our Club to other APS members in the area, had not gotten as many new members as was hoped for.

We received mail from a collector looking for events or websites for which the goal was trading stamps rather than buying and selling them. We also received a letter from someone wanting to sell off parts of his Israeli stamp collection. See other articles in this newsletter.

The newsletter for May was put together by Letty Moon since Steve Kennedy, our newsletter editor, was on vacation and was not allowed to return home when he tested positive for Covid! Hopefully he will be home very soon.

Members were reminded that there will be no meeting (or newsletter) in July, as we take our summer break.

There was no **Treasurer's Report** since the Treasurer is away.

**Program:** Our member, David Stevenson, presented one of his collections: Mint Falkland Island Definitives: 1900-2022. He showed us many pages of beautiful stamps emphasizing those with differences in color, perforations, paper, and gum characteristics. He even used a UV light to demonstrate differences in some paper used.

**New Business:** Recently one of our new members, Paul Miller, who is enthusiastic about joining our Club, has made an offer to "pay it forward" for the next 10 people who join our Club as new members. That is, he will pay the dues for the year for the next 10 new people who join. Paul made this offer to help the Club attract new members. Discussion followed and Phil made a motion to accept this offer. It was seconded and passed. Since new members generally include their dues checks with their application forms, it was suggested that I send their checks back to them with an explanation while we use this thoughtful windfall.

**Discussion:** If we don't have a speaker in June, we may show a video. Barry Elkins may show us Part III of his program in Sept. Someone might be able to provide transportation that evening. Next meeting: June 21.

Respectfully submitted by *Letty Moon*.



David Stevenson speaking



Ed Weisberg & Anne Gibby looking

### Upcoming Stamp Shows

**June 6-24** – APS Summer Seminar, online only  
**June 18-19** – SCOPEX, APS Building, Bellefonte PA  
**June 18-22** – APS Volunteer Week, Bellefonte PA  
**August 25-28** – Great American Stamp Show (GASS)  
Sacramento Convention Center, California  
**September 2-4** – BALPEX, Hunt Valley Inn, Hunt Valley, MD

### Upcoming Meetings

Jun 21 – **Jul** – No Meeting – Aug 16  
Sept 20 – Oct 18 – Nov 15 – Dec 20

### Upcoming Stamp Shows (cont'd)

**October 14-16** – NOJEX, Hilton Meadowlands Hotel, 2 Meadowlands Plaza, East Rutherford NJ  
**November 4-6** – AEROPHILATELY 2022, APS Building, Bellefonte PA

A banner for the Great American Stamp Show in Sacramento, 2022. The banner features a photograph of the Sacramento skyline and the Golden Gate Bridge. The text on the banner reads: "GREAT AMERICAN Sacramento STAMP SHOW 2022", "August 25-28", "LOCATION: SAFE Credit Union Convention Center, Hall C &amp; D", and "1400 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814".

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