

Steve Popick - A good friend
By Mathias W. Benward

I first met Steve Popick at the annual stamp show in Birmingham, Alabama. I was surprised to see he was from Hendersonville, Tennessee. I thought I knew all the stamp dealers from the Nashville area, but obviously I was mistaken. I sat down, bought a few things, and talked about stamps. I told Steve about our local club, and he was there at the next meeting. He joined that very night !!!

He came to every club meeting rain or shine bringing along his stamp stock. This was appreciated by all the club members. He would ask members what they needed and like clockwork at the next meeting he'd have just what they'd asked for.

When something needed to be done Steve would be right there to lend a hand. At the clubs' annual stamp show he was right there helping set up the tables, exhibits, and just helped to keep things going. He often stop by the club table to see if everything was going OK or just to see if we needed a hand. When the show ended he was right there ready to help take down the frames even after he'd worked hard all day.

Steve seemed to always have the energy and was always ready to help out. He kept everyone moving and motivated. I was miss him, but he won't be forgotten. He was a good friend.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Well its summertime again and the hot weather is back. It's a good time of year to stay inside and work on your stamp collection. Hours of fun can be had cataloging, mounting, and just marveling at these miniature works of art. Even more satisfying is share you collection with your fellow collectors. They will pat you on the back and tell you what a wonderful collection you have and how well you've displayed it. Then you think 'maybe at next year's stamp show I can create an exhibit!' (Hint hint) Other collectors will come to our show, see you exhibit, and take that memory back with them. They probably won't tell how much they like it. But you'll be just as proud as if they had.

Matt Benward, President NPS

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* NASHVILLE STAMP NEWS *

October Project

As many of you know October is stamp collecting month. To promote the hobby the Nashville Philatelic Society places stamp exhibits in many of our local libraries. In September the first meeting will be devoted to mounting stamps on pages to be displayed. In early October the stamps will be placed in the local libraries. This year we'll need everyone's help. So please step forward and volunteer !

Nasville Stamp Show 2001

Next year our annual stamp show will be held at the Governors House Hotel and Conference Center. It is located at 737 Harding Place. This is near the I-65 Harding Place exit at the corner of Trousdale and Harding. The space provided will be larger than last years show. As last year committees will be appointed to run the show smoothly as was done for this years. Also we need people to volunteer to help before, during, and after the show. So if you would like to be on one of the committees, please contact the Chairperson. Also I must thank everyone who helped out this year. You did a great job !!! Thanks.

Murfreesboro Stamp Club

A stamp club has been formed in Murfreesboro. The first meeting was held on July 8th and 9 people were present. The meeting times are TBA.

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Kevin Baker
Angie Baker
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Meetings: Second and Fourth Mondays of each month. Buy and swap at 5:30 p.m., Business meeting a 6:45 p.m., and Program at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are held at the Inglewood Branch Library, 4312 Gallatin Road, Nashville, Tennessee 37216.

Kids under 17 get a FREE stamp packet at their first attendance. Ages 6 and up are WELCOME!

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