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Pioneer Rocket Mail Overview

With selected "Gerhard Zucker" items presented
by Scott Simon

Pioneer Rocket Mail – G. Zucker rocket mail items

2nd printing after 31 August 1933

2nd printing 1M (1000) each of blue-green, 1M (1000) yellowish green, and 2000 in black
(black 1M on cover. "I: Night Rocket Start" 4 Nov 1933, not flown).

Printed by Meisenbach, Riffahrt and Co., in Berlin.

Summer is over and Fall is just begun and it's finally cooling off. It seems like 2015 has just flown by. I hope everyone has done OK so far this year. Only a few more months and we'll be looking forward to 2016. Things to look forward to:

- 1) Higher postal rates (Again!!!)
- 2) more stamp shows (hey!)
- 3) a new year (hopefully a better one)
- 4) prices (up, down, right, left - who knows)
- 5) the economy (you don't want to know my prediction)
- 6) A Presidential election - Please.....
- 7) 23 stamp club meetings!!! :>)

Matt Benward, President NPS

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* STAMP CLUB NEWS *

Nashville Stamp Show 2016

Our annual stamp show will be held next year at 50 Forward Madison Station and is located at 301 Madison Street in Madison Tennessee. It is located behind Madison Square shopping Center. It will be held on March 19 - 20, 2016. Lastly, as always we can't have our annual stamp shown without member volunteers. So if you help out please let us know so we can make our 2016 stamps show a great success! Have fun and make the dealers happy.

2016 Stamp Show Theme

During the second meeting in June a motion was proposed by Richard Smith to have our theme determined by the first meeting of September. The theme chosen was Tennessee History: People, Places, Things, Etc.

AmeriStamp/Southeastern Stamp Expo

This stamps show is the second largest show put on by the APS. This show will be held on Jan. 29-31 in Atlanta, GA at the Hilton Atlanta 255 Courtland St. Hours: Friday & Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 10-4.

Nick Munn needs "Cool Postage" items

Nick needs some "Cool Postage" items for exhibits at our show. "Cool Postage" items are envelopes with lots of old stamps. Bring them to the club.

Articles for the newsletter

I need articles for this newsletter on any aspect of stamp collecting. They can be hand written, typed, or by computer in any format. I would be willing to help write them too. I have been getting some articles during the last few months, but I still need some more. If you see interesting articles in the philatelic press, please let me know. You may contact me at the club meetings or at mbenward@aol.com. Thanks.

New Members

Johnnie Carr

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Meetings: Second and Fourth Mondays
of each month. Buy and swap at 5:30
p.m., Business meeting at 6:30 p.m.,
and Program at 6:45 p.m.

Meetings are held at the Madison
Branch Library, 610 South 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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Minutes Review for July 2015 – September 2015

The NPS had its 7/13/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Fifteen members and three guests were present. Minutes of the 6/21/15 meeting were read and approved. Richard Smith won the door prize. Pam Steakley won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone and Stamp committees. A donation of stamps was received from Bill Bowman for the Stamps Committee. Thank you! A report was given on our social media websites with 610+ “followers” on Twitter and 108 “likes” on Facebook. Richard Smith suggested that our 2016 Stamp Show theme be selected by September in order to allow exhibits to be prepared. He committed to preparing a worksheet to submit theme suggestions to the membership. The business session was then adjourned for an “Ice Cream Social” and a general discussion on “what we collect?”

The NPS had its 7/27/15 meeting at the Madison Square Shoney’s Restaurant with Matt Benward presiding. Fifteen members and two guests were present. Minutes of the 7/13/15 meeting were read and approved. Dave Bodkin won the door prize. Marie Farmer won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone and Stamp committees. A report was given on our social media websites with 618 “followers” on Twitter and 109 “likes” on Facebook. Richard Smith provided to the membership a worksheet to submit 2016 Show theme suggestions. Dave Bodkin showed an autographed 2 volume set of Brookman catalogues from 1947. The business session was then adjourned for the monthly auction.

The NPS held its 8/10/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Seventeen members and five guests were present. Minutes of the 7/27/15 meeting were read and approved. Marie Farmer won the door prize. Bill Bowman won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone and Stamp committees. A large stamp donation was received from Annette Paine. Thank you! A report was given on our social media websites with 618+ “followers” on Twitter and 109 “likes” on Facebook. Matt and Richard Smith again asked for theme recommendations for the 2016 Stamp Show. The business session was then adjourned for an excellent talk and computer presentation on “Chattanooga Straight-line Cancels” by Jim Cate.

The NPS held its 8/24/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Twenty members and one guest were present. Minutes of the 8/10/15 meeting were read and approved. An application for NPS Membership from Johnnie Carr received first reading. Ellie Eads won the door prize. Steve Meyer won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Bill Bowman reported on the APS Show in Grand Rapids. Reports were presented from the Phone and Stamp committees. Matt gave a report on our social media websites with 630 “followers” on Twitter and 110 “likes” on Facebook. Nick Munn presented Steve Meyer the “Public Interest” Award from our 2015 Stamp Show. Suggestions for our 2016 Show theme were again requested. The business session was then adjourned for the monthly auction.

The NPS held its 9/14/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Sixteen members and one guest were present. Minutes of the 8/24/15 meeting were read and approved. An Application for NPS Membership from Johnnie Carr received second reading and he was approved and welcomed to NPS membership. Marie Farmer won the door prize. Janice Erbach won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. A report was presented from the Phone and Stamps Committees. It was mentioned that the voting on the 2016 Show theme would be held during our next meeting. The business session was then adjourned for an excellent presentation and computer program by Ray McIntire on “The 1-cent Blue Franklin Printings.”

The NPS had its 9/28/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Seventeen members and two guests were present. Minutes of the 9/14/15 meeting were read and approved. Richard Smith won the door prize. Clay Morgan won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone and Stamp committees. Al Bollmeier and Larry Pacl donated stamps to the Stamps Committee. Thank you! Also, a card was sent from the NPS membership to Mrs. Harriet Dunn Sewell to thank her for the donation of stamps and materials to the club. Voting on the 2016 Show theme was held. The results were to be announced at our next meeting. The business session was then adjourned for the monthly auction.

Nashville Philatelic Society

Minutes Review for April 2015 – June 2015

The NPS had its 4/13/2015 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Twelve members and two guests were present. Minutes of the 3/23/15 meeting were read and approved. Six membership applications for NPS membership had been received, but were still unavailable for first reading. Larry Pacl won the door prize. Richard Smith won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp and Social Media committees. Larry Pacl donated stamps to the Stamps Committee. Thank you!! Matt advised that our Facebook site had 104 “likes”. Nick Munn distributed additional awards for the 2015 Stamp Show. An issue was expressed about a location for the NPS trailer. Temporarily, the trailer was to be kept by Dave Bodkin and a more permanent location was to be found. The business session was then adjourned for a program on “Errors, Freaks and Oddities (EFO’s)” by Matt and Tom Tribke.

The NPS held its 4/27/2015 meeting at the Madison Library with Matt Benward presiding. Twenty-two members and one guest were present. Minutes of the 4/13/15 meeting were read and approved. Applications for NPS Membership from Jason Bennett, Glenn Steakley, Brenda Burdette and Bill DiSalvatore received first reading. Janice Erbach won the Door Prize and Frank Yost won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp and Social Media committees. Marie Farmer reported that a number of donations were received for the Stamp Committee. Thank you! Richard Smith advised that our Facebook site had 104 “likes”. A preliminary report on our stamp show indicated a profit of about \$1,000. Nick Munn complemented all of our show exhibits as excellent and mentioned that Dave Bodkin had won an APS medal and the Public Interest Award for his ‘Love Stamp’ exhibit. The business session was then adjourned for the monthly auction.

The NPS had its 5/11/2015 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Twelve members were present. Minutes of the 4/27/15 meeting were read and approved. An application for NPS Membership from Keron (KC) Brody received first reading. Applications for NPS Membership from Jason Bennett, Glenn Steakley, Brenda Burdette and Bill DiSalvatore received second reading and were approved and they were welcomed to NPS membership. John Jancik won the door prize. Linda West won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Matt mentioned that our next meeting would be held on Tuesday, May 26, at the Madison Square Shopping Center Shoneys due to the Memorial Day Holiday. Reports were presented from the Phone and Stamp committees. Our Facebook site had 107 ‘likes’ and our Twitter site had 518 “followers”. Richard Smith distributed handouts that he had prepared for individuals with questions on stamp collections that they had inherited. The business session then adjourned for an excellent presentation on “Designer Autographed Duck Stamps” by Don Kotval.

The NPS held its 5/26/2015 meeting at the Madison Square Shoney’s, due to the Memorial Day Holiday, with Matt Benward presiding. Seventeen members and three guests were present. Minutes of the 5/11/15 meeting were read and approved. An application for NPS Membership from Keron (KC) Brody received second reading and was approved and he was welcomed to NPS membership. David Erbach won the door prize. Dave Bodkin won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp and Social Media committees. Our Facebook site had 106 ‘likes’ and our Twitter site had 518 “followers”. Nick Munn presented a Judging and Trophies Expense Report for the 2015 Stamp Show. Richard Smith discussed determining the 2016 Show theme at an earlier time to allow theme exhibit preparation. The business session then adjourned for the monthly auction Coble.

The NPS had its 6/8/2015 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Eight members and two guests were present. Minutes of the 5/26/15 meeting were read and approved. Larry Pacl won the door prize. Bill Bowman won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. The change in US postal rates was briefly discussed. NPS members were saddened to learn about the death of new member Jason Bennett’s mother. A card was sent from the membership. Reports were presented from the Phone, Social Media and Stamp committees. Matt advised that our Twitter site had 580 “followers” and Facebook had 106 “likes”. Richard Smith presented a paper on determining the 2016 Show theme at an earlier time to allow theme exhibit preparation. The business session then adjourned for an interesting computer assisted talk on “Stamp Mounting” by Larry Pacl.

The NPS held its 6/22/2015 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Twenty members and five guests were present. Minutes of the 6/8/15 meeting were read and approved. Janice Erbach won the door prize. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone, Social Media and Stamp committees. Matt advised that our Twitter site had 601 “followers” and Facebook had 107 “likes”. Richard Smith made a motion that the 2016 Stamp Show theme be determined by our first meeting in September. The motion was seconded by Larry Pacl and approved by the NPS membership. The business session was then adjourned for the monthly auction.

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2nd printing after 31 August 1933

2nd printing, 1M black, 1M yellowish-green, 3M/1M on cover 4 Nov 1933, not flown. Printed by Meisenbach, Riffahrt and Co., in Berlin.



2nd printing after 31 August 1933

2nd printing, both font type "3" of 3M/1M overprints in black 1,568 copies. Fat type 3 on left (332 copies). Printed by Meisenbach, Riffahrt and Co., in Berlin.

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3rd printing after 4 November 1933
3rd printing, 1M black on red (1,000 copies)
for night starts of 6 & 10 Nov 1933. Printed
by Meisenbach, Riffahrt and Co., in Berlin.



3rd printing after 4 November 1933
3rd printing, 1M on red, 3M black in "D R E I" on yellow (750 copies w/black circle,
250 copies using a black star over the 1) for night starts of 6 & 10 Nov 1933. Printed by
Meisenbach, Riffahrt and Co., in Berlin.

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