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## The Great State of Tennessee

The state of Tennessee is geographically, culturally, economically, and legally divided into three Grand Divisions: East Tennessee, Middle Tennessee, and West Tennessee. Tennessee features six principal physiographic regions: the Blue Ridge, the Appalachian Ridge and Valley Region, the Cumberland Plateau, the Highland Rim, the Nashville Basin, and the Gulf Coastal Plain.

East Tennessee - The Blue Ridge area lies on the eastern edge of Tennessee, bordering North Carolina. This region of Tennessee is characterized by the high mountains and rugged terrain of the western Blue Ridge Mountains, which are subdivided into several subranges, namely the Great Smoky Mountains, the Bald Mountains, the Unicoi Mountains, the Unaka Mountains and Roan Highlands, and the Iron Mountains.

Middle Tennessee - West of the Cumberland Plateau is the Highland Rim, an elevated plain that surrounds the Nashville Basin. The northern section of the Highland Rim, known for its high tobacco production, is sometimes called the Pennyroyal Plateau; it is located primarily in Southwestern Kentucky. The Nashville Basin is characterized by rich, fertile farm country and great diversity of natural wildlife.

West Tennessee - West of the Highland Rim and Nashville Basin is the Gulf Coastal Plain, which includes the Mississippi embayment. The Gulf Coastal Plain is, in terms of area, the predominant land region in Tennessee. It is part of the large geographic land area that begins at the Gulf of Mexico and extends north into southern Illinois. In Tennessee, the Gulf Coastal Plain is divided into three sections that extend from the Tennessee River in the east to the Mississippi River in the west.

Welcome to the Nashville Stamp Show 2016. Our theme for our show is the 200th Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans. This year we have 17 stamp, 1 post card, and 1 cachet dealer from all over the country. They have varied stocks of stamps and post cards from the US and the rest of the world. Please stop by for a visit and have a look. The dealers are always ready to help and answer your questions. Our stamp club maintains tables at the entrance to help our fellow stamp collectors with any questions, problems, or just stop by and chat. But first and foremost have a lot of fun at our stamp show!

Matt Benward, President NPS

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\* STAMP CLUB NEWS \*  
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Nashville Stamp Show 2016  
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Our annual stamp show is being held this year at 50 Forward Madison Station and is located at 301 Madison Street in Madison Tennessee. It is located behind Madison Square shopping Center. Hopefully this will be our home for years to come. Lastly as always we can't have our annual stamp shown without 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.

Shelbyville Postcard Show  
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A post card show will be held in Shelbyville on April 13th at the Fly Cultural Arts Center located at 204 South Main St and the phone number is (931) 684-8359. The hours for the show are 9am to 4pm and the admission is free.

Theme for our 2017 stamp show  
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Nick has made a motion that we select the theme for our 2017 show before the 2016 show. He suggests the 100th anniversary of US entry into World War I. Can anyone think of any other suggestions?

Nick Munn needs "Cool Postage" items  
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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  
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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  
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none this quarter

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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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# **Nashville Philatelic Society**

## **Minutes Review for December 2015 – February 2016**

**NPS held its annual Christmas party on 12/14/2015 at the Madison Branch Library. Approximately twenty-three members and guests joined together for fellowship and plenty of good food!!!**

**The NPS held its 1/11/2016 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Fifteen members and one guest were present. Minutes of the 11/23/2015 meeting were read and approved. An informal report was also given on our Christmas meeting held on December 14, 2015. Richard Smith won the door prize. Jim Young won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Steve Meyer mentioned that a Post Card Show would be held in Shelbyville in April. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp, Social Media and Stamp Show committees. It was reported that our Facebook site had 122 “likes” and that our Twitter site had 698+ “followers”. Matt reported that twelve stamp dealers were committed for the NPS 2016 Stamp Show. Nick Munn brought up a concern that no show exhibits were committed yet. Matt asked for help with the setup and takedown of the Show. The business session was then adjourned for an excellent presentation by Al Bollmeier and other NPS members on "Se-Tenant Stamps".**

**The NPS had its 1/25/2016 meeting postponed due to snow! It was held instead on Wednesday, 1/27/2016 at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Sixteen members and two guests were present. Minutes of the 1/11/2016 meeting were read and approved. Ora Eads won the door prize. Dave Bodkin won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. NPS members wished Ellie Eads a Happy Birthday! Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp, Social Media and Stamp Show committees. It was reported that our Facebook site had 126 “likes” and that our Twitter site had 698+ “followers”. NPS members were advised that the two February 2016 NPS meetings would at the Hibachi Grill due to early voting at the library. Nick Munn handed on Stamp Show 2016 Exhibit Prospectuses for potential exhibitors. Nick also offered a motion that our 2017 Stamp Show theme be selected by the time of our 2016 show. NPS membership approved this motion. Nick suggested that “The US Entry into World War I” as a theme for the 2017 show. Matt asked for help for show setup and takedown. The business session was then adjourned for the monthly auction.**

**The NPS had its 2/8/2016 meeting at the Hibachi Grill with Matt Benward presiding. Eight members and one guest were present. Minutes of the 1/27/2016 meeting were read and approved. Rudy Caduff won the door prize. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp and Social Media committees. It was reported that our Facebook site had 126 “likes” and that our Twitter site had 703 “followers”. Show flyers and posters were provided for distribution. Nick Munn advised that 10 frames of exhibits were committed for our 2016 show. Matt asked for help with the setup and takedown of the 2016 Stamp Show. The business session was then adjourned for an excellent presentation on “Stamp Booklets” by Al Bollmeier and NPS members. Matt prepared a supportive write-up for the program. And the snow was beautiful when we left.....**

**NPS held its 2/22/2016 meeting at the Hibachi Grill with Matt Benward presiding. Eleven members and two guests were present. Minutes of the 2/8/2016 meeting were read and approved. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp, Social Media and Show committees. Richard Smith reported that our Facebook site had 126 “likes” and that our Twitter site had 703 “followers”. Show posters and flyers were provided for distribution. Nick Munn advised that 21 frames of exhibits were committed for our 2016 show. Matt reported that the number of stamp and postcard dealers at our 2016 show would be similar to last year’s show. Matt asked for help with the setup and takedown of the Show. The business session was then adjourned for the monthly auction.**

# **Nashville Philatelic Society**

## **Minutes Review for August 2015 – November 2015**

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.

The NPS held its 10/12/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Seventeen members and one guest were present. Minutes of the 9/28/15 meeting were read and approved. Bill Bowman 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 Stamps committees. A report was given on our social media websites with 640+ "followers" on Twitter and 111 "likes" on Facebook. The 2016 Show theme vote results were announced and the "Tennessee History: People, Places, Things, Events, etc." was the winning theme selection. The business session then adjourned for an excellent talk on "Winning Stamp Show Exhibits Preparation" by Matt.

The NPS held its 10/26/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Sixteen members and two guests were present. Minutes of the 10/12/15 meeting were read and approved. Marie Farmer won the door prize. Chuck Hiehle won the Participation Award. Forthcoming new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Matt and Al Bollmeier reported on the Evansville Show. News from our members included that Rudy Caduff was doing well with his lung transplant and that Randy Coble had been promoted to the rank of Lt. Colonel. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp and Social Media committees. One of our guests, Virginia Melton, donated stamps to the Stamps Committee. Thank you! Social media reports that our sites had 113 "likes" on Facebook and 652+ "followers" on Tweeter. Richard Smith provided a handout about our 2016 Show theme and NPS website changes. The business session then adjourned for the monthly auction.

The NPS held its 11/9/15 meeting at the Madison Branch Library with Matt Benward presiding. Nineteen members and three guests were present. Minutes of the 10/2/15 meeting was read and approved. Richard Smith won the door prize. Julian Hosnedl won the Participation Award. Forthcoming Center new issues and stamp shows were reviewed. Reports were presented from the Phone, Stamp and Social Media committees. The family of Nancy Robinson donated stamps to the Stamps Committee. Thank you! Social media reports that our sites had 115 "likes" on Facebook and 680+ "followers" on Tweeter. Ray McIntire presented a partial Treasurer's report. Matt mentioned that help would be needed for setup and takedown of the 2016 Stamp Show. The business session then adjourned for an interesting presentation on "Protecting Your Stamp Collection" by Al Bollmeier, Ora Eads, Tom, Matt and the NPS members.

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# Pioneer Rocket Mail Overview

With selected "Gerhard Zucker" items presented  
by Scott Simon



**Trieste, Italy Rocket Start Rocket Mail 1M + 3M cover, 16-17 October 1933**

**Triangle rocket stamps 7,70 lire front and 5 lire back + 25 cents Italian stamp.  
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**25<sup>th</sup> Jubilee issue 3m souvener sheet in silver, 1933/34 – 1958/59  
Printed by Meisenbach, Riffahrt and Co., in Berlin.**

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