

P. O. Box 691, West Jordan, UT 84084

Winter 2020

Upcoming Events and Announcements

Club Meetings

Location: Sandy Senior Center 9310 So. 1300 East, Sandy

First and third Thursday of each month

6:00 pm until 7:45 pm

Club Officers

President: Joe Ferguson

Vice-President: Dave Blackhurst Secretary/Treasurer: Linda Snyder

Board Members: Allan Anderson; Don Marr;
Steve Baldridge; Craig Edwards, Vladimir Makarov,

Dick Thomas.

Newsletter Editor: Ewald Kuefner

Next Stamp Show

Sons of Utah Pioneers Building 3301 E Louise St. (2920 So.)
Date: February 7th and 8th 2020

Friday 10 am to 6 pm Saturday 10 am to 4 pm

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The President's Corner Joe Ferguson

Greetings Members!

I would like to thank all those who attended our Christmas party in December. There was a lot of good food, good company, and our gift exchange.

It was a great party!

We start out a new year at the Utah Philatelic Society with a new slate of board members. We held elections on the first Thursday of last December and elected the following six members to the board: Allan Anderson; Don Marr; Steve Baldridge; Craig Edwards, Vladimir Makarov and Dick Thomas. A big thank you to our outgoing board members: Jerry Pitstick, Blaine Cox. Rick Huddleston and Joellen Dillard. Allan Anderson and Don Marr remain.

I would like to invite everyone to attend our regular meeting. It is held on the first and third Thursdays of each month. As officers and board members of the club, we make a serious effort to make the meetings interesting with a presentation on a philatelic subject followed by an auction. See previous column.

Also, may I remind you that you are invited to our upcoming Stamp Show February 7 and 8 at the at the Sons of Utah Pioneers Building, information on the first column. Hope to see you there!

Thank you,
Joe Ferguson, President

Love and Romance on Postage Stamps



Art of Disney Stamp: Romance, sheet of 20x 39 cent stamps, USA 2006 Scott 4025-28



Saint Valentine's Day stamp 14p Vintage British Postage Stamp



1993 American Sign Language I LOVE YOU stamp









A Hobby Is Born

From Apfelbaum Inc. philatelic

The term philately – a combination of the Greek words philos, meaning friend or aficionado, and atelia, meaning something that has been prepaid or exempted from tax – was coined by a prominent French collector named M. Georges Herpin in 1864. In addition to being a clear improvement over "franking," as the hobby was called in contemporary British stamp collecting circles [in those days], the term quickly gained favor with collectors across Europe. In 1869, the world's first official philatelic club was founded in London. In 1906, the group was granted a royal charter and was legally permitted to change its name to the Royal Philatelic Society, which is still in existence today. Other prominent early stamp collecting societies included the Collectors' Club of New York, founded in 1896, The American Stamp Dealers Association, founded in 1914, and the British Philatelic Association with roots that date back to 1925. The increased interest in stamp collecting also led to a large industry supporting both serious and hobbyist collectors alike. The first Stanley Gibbons stamp Catalogue was printed in November 1865. The American Scott catalogue came out 3 years later and introduced the famous Scott Numbering System, which to this date is still used to identify stamps.



London 1869, The first Philatelic club was founded

Mister Rogers, a National Icon



Stamp Announcement 18-10: Mister Rogers.
On March 23, 2018, in Pittsburgh, PA, the U.S.
Postal Service issued the Mister Rogers stamp
(Forever® priced at 50 cents) in one design,
in a pressure-sensitive adhesive (PSA) pane of
20 stamps (Item 477200). The stamp went on
sale nationwide March 23, 2018.

When Fred Rogers walked through the door of the yellow-brown house on the street corner on Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, he entered the lives of so many families around the country – but much of it wouldn't have happened without his real-life family. Through 895 episodes that aired nationally from 1968 to 2001, the unlikely star reached out to an audience of young viewers on their level, winning them over by his relatable routines of changing into his sweater-andsneakers outfit, feeding his tank full of fish and going out in his community to meet with friends and neighbors. He also whisked viewers into their imagination by traveling via trolley to the "Neighborhood of Make Believe," where no topic was off-limits, as tackled by hand puppets like Daniel Tiger, King Friday XIII, Lady Elaine Fairchilde, Henrietta Pussycat, X the Owl and more. Both kid-friendly universes were the result of Rogers' upbringing in the small town of

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Mister Rogers stamp, continued

Latrobe, Pennsylvania, a tight-knit community located about 40 miles east of Pittsburgh. His TV stage was modeled after his hometown.

Mister Rogers mom knit all his famous sweaters. While expressing his feelings at home was a challenge, that didn't mean Rogers wasn't loved. Growing up as an only child until 11 when his parents adopted a baby girl, Rogers knew that his parents showed their love in other ways. Proof of that comes from the fact that every single one of his trademark knit cardigans were handmade by his mother, Nancy McFeely Rogers. "This is a picture of my mother. She knits the sweaters that I wear on television I just wanted you to see her picture and to look very carefully at the beautiful work that she does..." he said, while the camera zoomed in on a photo of his mother. "That's one of the ways that she does. It is her way of saying that she loves somebody. When I put on one of these sweaters it helps me to think of my mother...."

The delivery man, Mr. McFeely, "Speedy Delivery" was named after Mister Rogers grandfather. While Rogers grew to have an affection for his hometown, his childhood wasn't always easy. He was overweight, shy, and introverted" and often had to stay inside because of his childhood asthma, leading to a feeling of isolation.

It was his maternal grandfather who gave him the boost of confidence he needed by telling him things like, "Freddie, you make my day very special," and "I like you just the way you are," which became one of Mister Rogers most essential phrases and lessons for young children.

Fred was known for his creativity, kindness, spirituality, and commitment to the well-being of children. Lovingly called "Americas favorite neighbor," he used his many diverse talents to inspire, nurture, and educate.

Watch for the movie, "A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood," starring Tom Hanks. #

Children on Postage Stamps



"Little Women" stamp, USA
Book by Louisa May Alcott
Date issued, October 23, 1993, 29 cents



"Friendship-The Key to World Peace."

Date issued, December 18, 1956, USA
Intent was to promote friendship among children
throughout the world. The stamp design was created
by Ronald Dias, a 1956 high school graduate, and was
selected in a nationwide competition

Ron Dias (1937-2013) began his animation career with Disney Studios in 1956. After winning the contest he was flown to Washington DC where he met President Eisenhower. Ron's desire to become involved in animation was sparked when, at the tender age of 6, he saw "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs". He was so taken by the film and its beautiful art he decided, then and there, that he would someday become an animation artist.#