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Obituary for an RMPL founder...

# David Capra

By Sergio Lugo RMPL President

A lifelong collector, David was known by many in the Denver Metro area, but many of those who knew him didn't know he was probably the key benefactor in the launching of the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library.

As a Denver native, David grew up in the "valley" when it was the valley, as in "valley highway," where Interstate 25 was eventually built. Throughout the World War II years, he spent his time going to school at Barnum Elementary and tending the gardens with his family at a truck farm located almost at the spot where Highway 6 crosses over Interstate 25.

David experienced many difficulties in his formative years after his birth in 1937, not

the least of which was his difficulty in school work. As an adult, he learned he had a mild form of dyslexia. After three failed attempts to get through the 10th grade, further schooling was out of the question, and he began work as a minimum wage earner as he entered his young adult life.

It was fortunate that he was introduced to stamp collecting during his teen years, the result of visits to the then numerous stamp shops in downtown Denver. He walked more than three miles (or rode on bus, trolley car or train) from his family's truck farm. In those shops, he learned about the world around him, and with the able assistance of many old time dealers, including Dan Stone, A.E. Pade, and most significantly Tony Cifka, he grew to thoroughly enjoy stamps, both for their educational value and as an investment possibility.

At virtually the same time, he married his sweetheart Gloria Lombardi. There followed several hard scrabble years, including relocation to California to work in an automobile assembly plant.

Along the way, three children arrived, all surviving to this day. His interest in stamps never waned, and sometimes that interest overwhelmed common sense and placed tremendous strains on the family budget. David said his wife never knew there was a problem.

After a time, the family returned to its roots in Denver. David was afforded the opportunity to invest in his own home and develop small



David Capra 1937-2013

businesses. Those small businesses consisted primarily of a gas station (which he financed through the sale of his first stamp collection), and later auto service stores, where, through his hard work and business sense, he made a tremendous success of himself.

As his business acumen increased, so did the investment opportunities in far flung business ventures, including real estate and shopping centers

There were other small businesses, (continued on page 2) including one that involved his love of antique, classic cars. He owned a 1914 Buick, a 1948 Ford Woody station wagon, a spectacular lavender blue and purple 1937 Rolls Royce, a 1951 Rolls Royce, a 1954 Nash, and a 1953 Mercury convertible.

By the age of 42, David had become somewhat independently wealthy and was in a position to manage his properties and investments without the care of daily labor. But don't get me wrong, he always labored hard and furiously to ensure that what he had built up through his learning experiences was maintained.

He increasingly sought to travel the world and visit exotic places far and wide. He also increasingly devoted time to his golfing interests, as well as his stamps.

By 1980 he turned his stamp hobby into a moneymaking business opportunity in the arena of postal history. He grew from a stamp collector to a thoroughly knowledgeable philatelist.

David also found time to work with local stamp clubs in the conduct of their business and in the staging of their respective stamp shows. He was instrumental in turning the CHERPEX Stamp Show into a moneymaking proposition for the Cherrelyn Stamp Club. He also worked hard with the Aurora Stamp Club and the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show.

He was an active member of the American Air Mail Society and other philatelic clubs. His collecting interests included U.S. classics, Confederate covers, Blood's Local Post, Ireland, Italy, airmail and balloon post of every kind, including Balloon Montes, Chinese postcard montage cards, and the United Fruit Company.

David was active in the stamp collecting community during the many years of discussions about a philatelic library in Denver, but he did not get involved until nearly

# **Our Active Members**

Congratulations to **Peter Bergh**. His book, *Danish Ore Bicolor Issues: A Primer* won a silver medal with felicitations from the jury in the literature competition at NAPEX 2013, the Washington, D.C. area show.

The book is available from the RMPL for \$40, postpaid in the U.S.

Listen to Nancy Clark's APS Stamp Talk internet radio show of Jun 12, 2013 to hear two different perspectives on the hobby from two RMPL members.

**Larry Nix** talks about military librarys and the topical aspects of library collecting in the first half hour, and **Jack VanEns** reenacts the persona of Thomas Jefferson and the importance of the mail system in the development of the U.S and the importance of correspondence for shaping minds.

APS Stamp Talk may be found 24/7 on www.wsRadio. com, an internet talk site.

the last minute. He was the one who put an end to all the talk.

He and I would often chat about what was needed and the costs involved. One day he decided to join the original ten RMPL founders in discussions at the home of Don and Ellengail Beuthel. After several meetings, he announced in his altogether brusque manner: "Look. I've heard enough about these discussions over the past years, and it's time to put up or shut up." Whereupon, David made the irresistible offer that made the RMPL a reality.

His offer was very simple. He would turn over 2,500 square feet of space, rent free, for the establishment of the RMPL in one of his shopping centers. There were only two conditions to his generous offer: (1) the library would pay for all utilities (minimal at the time, \$125 per month as I recall) and (2) we would have to vacate the space on relatively short notice if a renter appeared (and no one did for two years). He gave the organizing committee one chance to vote on the matter, and within a very short period of time, the vote of "yes" was handed in. The rest of the story spans the 20 years that have elapsed since the initial establishment of the library in a shopping center on Peoria Street.

And by the way, David was a faithful front desk volunteer for 15 years, greeting folks in his inimitable way Saturday after Saturday, year after year. With his nervous energy, he also worked on the stamp program, as well as maintenance and electrical work. Despite his loudly stated opposition to the acquisition of the 2048 S. Pontiac Way property, he could always be relied upon to do maintenance and repair work to turn it into a useful annex of the library.

A wonderful friend has passed from the scene, and will long be remembered in the annals of this institution.

**Chris Steenerson** is the new host for the former Virtual Stamp Club on Delphi Forums, now called The Stamp Collecting Forum. We wish him the best.

# **RMPL** Auctions

Our annual silent auction at the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show raised \$28,130 for the library. Thank you to auction manager **David Weisberg** and all those who helped make the event a huge success.

U.S. lots accounted for 48% of sales and foreign was 52%. There were 104 bidders, with 17 of them mail bidders. A grouping of Canadian material brought \$865, the top price paid for a lot.

Dave is now busy with the annual bulk/large lot auction scheduled for October 19 at the RMPL. It will be the largest such auction ever, with more than 300 lots of stamps and supplies. A catalog will be mailed to members at the end of August and more details will be printed in the next *Scribblings*.

#### Scribblings

# Map Room Organization Completed

By Steve Schweighofer

Where would a person look for a 1940s road guide to the British Isles, detailed maps of Taiwan of the early 1900s or a railroad valuation map of Oakes, Colorado? Start in the map room!

There was a time when the library's map collection was only a couple of file drawers, initially organized by Bill Dunn, and which included mostly maps from gas stations and the National Geographic. Through the generous donations of maps and map cabinets the collection has steadily grown and now occupies its own room, located in the north end of our new building (7070 East Asbury). The collection has been reorganized and is again available for use.

The collection exists in two forms: flat maps in large, specially-sized, wide and shallow map drawers, and folded maps in filing cabinets. Both are organized in easily recognizable and understandable categories ranging from the entire world and regions to countries, cities and towns.

This new sorted arrangement enables a researcher to quickly find the area of interest. The collections of maps for Colorado and California are substantial. Within Colorado separations are: region, county and city, highway and even National Parks and Forests.

The following samples are types of maps most commonly used while researching in the map room:

Topographic maps are useful in studying the area around a town site, mine or region, or just determining the "lay of the land". Sure, topographical maps are available online, but those are usually the most recent editions and our collection has older maps dating to the early 1900s. Studying old maps for an area of interest may help to understand the political changes and history of an area.

Historical maps, mainly of Colorado, show the locations of early settlements, trails and wagon roads. Some of these early roads have familiar names which we recognize today as major highways.

Railroad maps, many from Colorado and other nearby areas, show the locations of long-since-gone railroads and towns. We also have Colorado railroads valuation maps on microfilm.

Other not-so-common maps are:

<u>**Outline maps:</u>** Simple outlines of countries and U.S. states and are useful as visual aids for specialty collections or exhibits to illustrate the location of a specific town or area.</u>

**<u>Pioneer trails:</u>** Have you ever wondered about the exact locations of the Oregon Trail, the Santa Fe Trail or what the areas are like today? These



*Chris Albe checks out the newly reorganized map room.* 

famous trails passed through or near Colorado, and each one has its own book.

**USPOD Post Routes, Railroad and Related Maps:** Use these to determine the route or method a particular piece of mail traveled. The RMPL's Post Route maps collection is far from complete, but does contain several maps of Colorado and the surrounding states from different periods.

And some of our maps are out of this world! Yes, we have maps of the Solar System, the Milky Way, even the Universe. We even have maps of the unseen world: the depths of the oceans.

General world atlases of a wide range of years are found in the main book collection in the main library building but there are two books there that are also in the map room that are excellent starting places:

*Where in the World?* is logically arranged by continent, country and then time frame.

*The Stamp Atlas* is also very helpful with research. Of the six sections in this book, the ones of most use are Section One, "Gazetteer of the Philatelic World Since 1840"; Section Two, maps of "dead" countries; and Section Three, maps of current stamp-issuing entities. Section Two is the largest of any section in this book and contains not only "dead" countries but also occupied lands and Confederate states. (call numbers 912 Wel and 912 Woo).

You're welcome to visit and browse the map room anytime.

### \_\_\_\_\_ Scribblings \_\_\_\_\_ The RMPL is 20! By DaleneThomas

# Open for Business....



Our founders at the original ribbon cutting in a small shopping mall in 1993: (L. to R.) Jim Ozment, Joe Weinman, Greg Frantz, Jack Willard, Bill Dunn, Don Beuthel, Jim Peterson, Bob Blatherwick, Roger Rydberg and Jim Kilbane. (Not pictured, librarian Ellengail Beuthel.)

Wow! The RMPL will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in August.

Most of you have heard the story of how it all began.

A few local collectors started meeting on Saturdays for a burrito lunch to talk stamps. The topic of philatelic research came up and they decided the area really needed a library so all the reference materials could be held in one repository for all to use.

In 1991, they finally decided to incorporate. In 1993, Dave Capra owned an empty store front and offered to donate the use of it for the library until he found a renter. A few months after we moved in, the location was rented and the library then moved next door to a smaller space.  $IM\rho$ 

Unfortunately after about a year that unit was also rented.

Naysayers thought that would be the end of the RMPL. They didn't count on a relentless few members who searched for a new place to buy, and a way to make a down payment.

The 2038 So. Pontiac Way building was finally found, money was raised, financing was arranged, and in 1996, after extensive work on it, the library finally had a permanent location.

Over the years, we expanded as best we could with outdoor sheds and moveable shelving.

Soon, it was obvious another solution to acquire more space was needed.

Fortune smiled on the RMPL and when the building next door became available in 2009 the board agreed to proceed with the purchase.

Much has been accomplished in 20 years to

make the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library the success it is today.

All of that is just bricks and mortar though. The real story of the success of the library has been the devoted people who worked so hard to get us where we are today. Without those who had the idea for the library to begin with, and all of the people who have volunteered over the years, this library would not exist.

Thousands upon thousands of volunteer hours have been spent in librarian services, remodeling, maintenance, sorting stamps, desk work, yard work, and much more.

The majority of the books and periodicals in the library have been donated. Without the wealth of reference material we have, we would not be much of a library. The backbone

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of the library though is the 500 plus members who help to support us financially through their dues, donations, purchases and volunteer work. To all of you we say thank you for your dedication and support and happy 20th anniversary!

# We Paid It Off Early....



The mortgage to the 2038 So. Pontiac Way building was burned during our 10th anniversary celebration in 2003. (L to R): Ron Mitchell, Jim Ozment, Don Beuthel, Ellengail Beuthel, Bob Blatherwick.

# Scribblings What Will the RMPL Be Like in 20 More Years?

By Steve McGill

A have been asked to provide a hypothetical look-ahead as to how our library might look after the next 20 years have passed. My first thought was to consult two of my kids, since they are certainly more focused on future concepts than I am. My daughter's vision was that a member could sit in a cubicle that would allow you to access any book, anywhere and then read and turn holographic pages as they appeared before you. Further, she'd like to do this while nestled in a big leather couch while pizza is delivered.

My son's suggestion came straight from the cartoon show, Futurama, where a library, advertising itself as having the most extensive literary collection in the universe, in fact contained only two disks, shown below

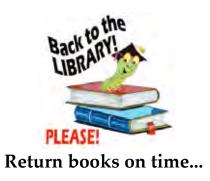


The library of the future.

Since my children have grown up in the digital age, their outlook on the future is all about inter connectivity and access. As for myself, I was born in the age of print but have spent my working life in the digital age and I find that there are aspects of both that I find appealing.

When reading a book, I like to actually hold the book and turn the pages – no worries of when the batteries might give out. On the other hand, when researching a topic, the ability to search on key words or phrases saves staggering amounts of time and usually turns up more connections than I would have guessed.

Maybe the easiest prediction for the future is that access, inter-connectivity and sharing will converge to an even greater degree than at present. Perhaps a (voice recognition) request for subject material will be automatically bounced against all philatelic libraries with a digital list presented to the requestor. One could then prioritize and read or store



the content. A request to share images or text on the topic would simultaneously hit a future, philatelic Linked In with input from a community of collectors and dealers. All this probably requires a few advances in artificial intelligence and voice recognition but all certainly possible in twenty years – or less.

The larger question, I believe, for a library – our library - is to decide what its relationship will be with its members. After all, given the musings above, all of the tasks could

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be performed from any remote location and the library itself could be in a darkened room where the server is maintained.

Does the library become a scanning/digitizing data center devoid of most human presence? I hope not. We have the advantage that our area of interest is a visual one. Further, I believe that the interaction between people is critical to the survival of the hobby. I always learn far more at a presentation or exhibit because other people have explored many aspects of a subject that would simply not occur to me. I also frankly enjoy the camaraderie.

This brings me to the last prediction: The successful philatelic library of the future will be one where all the advances in data access will be embraced and where people find reasons to gather, converse, disagree, work together and view each other's creations and enjoy human contact. Pity the organization that chooses only the technology and a static assemblage of books. Happy 20th, RMPL!

To commemorate the RMPL's 20th anniversary and to honor our founders, a "Burrito and Beer Bash" will be held August 17th at 5:30 p.m. at the library. Our founders put together the idea for a library over weekly burrito and beer lunches.



All members and their families are invited to attend and take part in the celebration. This is an occasion you will not want to miss. There will be good food and lots of fun and surprises. PLEASE: RSVP to Dalene Thomas at 303-986-6620 or dalene1@ champmail.com.

# The Prez' Observations

It's A Wonderfully Expansive Community that we're a part of!

Okay, for those English language purists amongst us, get it off your chest now! You're not supposed to end a sentence with the preposition "of"! Now that you're over it, let's move on.

On page one of this issue, you'll find my obituary for David Capra. He was a multi-faceted character, as the funeral orations showed and the applause rang out on various reminisces of his life. But David was only a small cog, as most of us are, in that machinery we call "philately". Whether it be the novice collector (of whom there are many of us) or the worldly savant who can talk about all aspects of philately (of which there are also many who think of themselves in that way), the philatelic "machinery" is wide-ranging and diverse. Among the many contributions of members of the small segment of philately consisting of the RMPL, are those who write and develop articles for *Scribblings* or who give presentations, or who enliven meetings of their local clubs with their philatelic gems. Or there are those who have devoted their valuable time to the development of our videos - one of which has been produced, and two more are being developed for loading by the time this Scribblings reaches you. Joe Lanotte and Ron Mitchell are the point men for that project.

On the other hand, the unheralded talents of our corner of the "philately" machinery extends to such members as Marc Gonzales and Stephen Nadler. Their help to the Western Philatelic Library (WPL) in Sunnyvale, California, was recently acknowledged by the WPL's leaders. Marc and Steve helped to isolate and pinpoint real estate transaction issues that were of crucial importance to the WPL's decision to relocate and to assume significant debt for the purchase of a building that will assure the continuation of their library. To that end, the RMPL has agreed to make a \$1,000 donation to the WPL to help defray the costs of its new mortgage. We also made the donation to acknowledge their help with literature they gave us many years ago during the formative stages of the RMPL. Our \$1,000 donation caps the generous technical assistance provided by Marc and Steve months ago.

In many other ways, there is a camaraderie that is felt both here, and at other points in the philatelic community.

One of the more remarkable recent episodes for me involved the vote on American Philatelic Society bylaw amendments. I did not agree with the amendments, and neither did many I spoke to, and it did not pass. But the dialogue found at a variety of sources on the subject was wonderfully gratifying and indicative of the continued vitality of much of the philatelic community.

The diversity of insights into the hobby has been thoroughly enticing in recent journals and publications. This reflects an outstanding range of interests and topic matter that regale hobbyists with significant amounts of information. The historical tidbits make the allure of the hobby even more compelling for both "old timers" as well as newcomers.

In another facet of our corner of the world, the hours put in by volunteers on the auction held at the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show is significant. It speaks well of the capacity of our volunteers to lend time and assistance to an activity that is so vitally important to the sustenance of the RMPL. To them and other RMPL volunteers, you are an expansive community that lubricates the machinery of philately that too few of us get to personally thank, but whose good spirit and cheer helps make for a wonderful experience both inside and outside our buildings.

And to those whose personal philatelic albums have been closed, a most heartfelt thanks for setting the stage for the wonderful and expansive community of which you were a part!





# WHAT'S NEW ON THE SHELVES?

#### UNITED STATES

*American Post Offices,* published by the National Museum of History and Technology

*American Stamps,* published by the National Museum of History and Technology

*The Best of Beyond the Perf:* 2009-2010 Year in Review, published by the United States Postal Service



Hawaii Foreign Mail to 1870, 3 volumes, by Fred F. Gregory

- *How Presses Print,* published by the National Museum of History and Technology
- Mail in Motion: Men and Mail in Transit, published by United States Post Office Department (CD + text)

"Stuart" Washington Grills, compiled by Lou Repeta

- *United States Advertising Poster Stamps* 1912-1915, by Robert C. Bradbury
- United States Postal Service: Five-Year Strategic Plan: FY 1998-2002, published by the United States Postal Service



United States Ships and the Spanish Civil War, July 1936-March, 1939, by Jerry A. Wells

*The U.S. 1887 3¢ Vermillion,* by H.A. Davis (bound with *The U.S. 3¢ Green 1870-1887*, by Wiley)

- *The U.S. 3¢ Green 1870-1887,* by H.L. Wiley (bound with *The U.S. 1887 3¢ Vermillion,* by Davis)
- Warman's U.S. Stamps Field Guide: Values and Identification, by Maurice D. Wozniak

#### AFRICA

*Cape & Natal Philatelic Journal* Vol. 17(1), March 2013, Whole #65, published by the Cape & Natal Study Circle (CD)

RMPL Board Meeting Thursday, July 18 All memebers are welcome!

#### ASIA



Catalog of the Chinese Liberation Area Stamps, by Meiso Mizuhara

Encyclopedia Japanese Philately

The Forerunner Foreign Post Offices in Japan; British-U.S.-French -- Ryohei Ishikawa's Collection, by Ryohei Ishikawa

- Gazetteer of North Korean Place Names, published by Kokusho Kankokai
- *Guangdong Culture Stamp Album* (aka Stamps of China) [mostly in Chinese]

Japan & Korea: Special & Scenic Cancellations [in Japanese]

Japan: Syllabic Numeral & BOTA Postmarks of Japan, published by Sun Philatelic Center





*Millenium Series Collection,* published by the Ministry of Information and Communication, Republic of Korea

*Postage Stamp Yearbook of Korea, 1995* [in English and Korean], published by the Ministry of Information and Communication, Republic of Korea

Postal History of Saghalien by Seichi Yamashita



Recent Japanese Railway Post Office Cancellations

Shenzhen China: Theme Commemorating Stamp Album, published by Shenzhen Philately Co., Ltd.

Specialized Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of Japan, 1955, 1959, and 1967 editions, edited by the Kitte Bunka Philatelic Society A Summary and Classification of the Postmarks and Censor Markings Used in the South East Asian Territories Occupied by Japan During W.W. II, based on the Collection of Mr. Jiro Onishi, compiled and edited by Dr. Tioiti Nakagawa

#### COLORADO

*The Westpex Sale: The William H. Bauer Collection of Colorado Postal History* [with prices realized], catalog for a Schuyler Rumsey auction April 2013.

#### EUROPE

The Definitive Guide to Pope John Paul II on Stamps, by Romuald & Irene Odrowski



- OSS Hitler Stamps: A Philatelic Study on a Disputed Stamp Issue, by Wolfgang Baldus
- *Officiele Belgische Netto Katalogus, 1985,* published by P.V.B.A. Ares
- Polish Displaced Persons Mail in Germany, 1945-1948, by Chris Kulpinski (CD)
- Russians on the Moon and Philatelic Issues Related to Them, by James G. Reichman
- Space-Related Official First Day Envelopes Produced by the Ministry of Communications of the USSR, 1968-1991 (Philatelic Study Report 2009-2), by James G. Reichman (CD)



*Worterverzeichnis Dictionnaire: Zumsteins Briefmarken-Katalog,* published by Zumstien & Cie

# To learn more ...

...about any books in the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library, go to the web site at www.rmpldenver.com and click on "Online Card Catalog" in the menu in the left column.

#### NORTH AMERICA



- The 1977-78 Definitives of Canada: A Listing of Paper Varieties, by Andrew Chung
- *Airmail Catalogue: Canada and Newfoundland,* by O.W.R. Smith, Gordon Crouch, and Fred Jarrett
- *Canada's Postal Code Directory* 1993, published by Canada Post Corporation
- Canadian Military Postmarks, by W.J. Bailey
- Canadian Revenue Group of BNAPS: Excise 1867; Catalog of Tobacco Tax Paid Stamps of Canada and Newfoundland, by Lee W. Brandom
- *Canadian Revenue Reference Manual,* compiled & edited by C.O. Emery & E.S.J. van Dam
- *Le Courrier des Neiges (Tundra Bound),* published by Canada Poste
- *The Silver Jubilee Royal Visit to Canada: Six Days in the Life of the Queen,* published by Jubilee Productions
- Tales of the Trail: Mexican War 1846-1849, by David F. New

#### CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

- *Guatemalan Philately: A Social and Economic Perspective,* by David Reitsema
- Memoria de la Superintendencia de la Casa de Moneda y Especies Valoradas 1928, published in Chile
- Paraguay Revenues: A Catalog, by Joseph D. Hahn and David Thomas



#### MIDDLE EAST

- Arab Philatelic Propaganda Against the State of Israel, by Harvey D. Wolinetz
- *The Maximum Cards, Stamp Information Folders, and Stamp Information Bulletins of Israel,* by Sid Morginstin, Bernard Perrin, and Stan Raffel (includes a CD with a copy of the book on it)

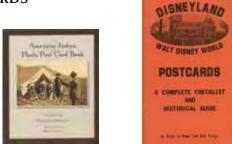
Souvenir Leaves 1988-1995, Souvenir Cards 1981-1995, Catalogue No. 1, published by the Israel Postal Authority

Standard Catalog of the Postage Stamps of Yemen and South Arabia, by Carlson R. Chambliss

#### TOPICAL

- Philamath: A Journal of Mathematical Philately, Volumes 1-33 (July 1979-April 2012), published by the Mathematical Study Unit
- *Topical Tidbits, volume 2,* published by the American Topical Association
- *Watercraft Philately* volumes 1-53, published by the Ships on Stamps Unit of the ATA (CD)

#### POSTCARDS



- American Indian Photo Post Card Book, compiled by Edward McAndrews
- Collectors Guide to Postcards, by Forrest Lyons, Jr.
- Disneyland, Walt Disney World Postcards: A Complete Checklist and Historical Guide, by Roger Le Roque and Nick Farago
- Jackson [Mississippi], the Way We Were: Old Postcard Views from the Collections of Forrest L. Cooper and Donald F. Garrett, text by Carl McIntire
- *Linen Postcards: Images of the American Dream,* by Mark Werther & Lorenzo Mott



Postcard Collector Annual: A Standard Reference for Today's Deltiologist (1991 & 1993 editions)

Postcard Companion: The Collector's Reference, by Jack H. Smith

The Postcards of the Cayman Islands Including Cayman Brac and Drawings of Little Cayman, by Ed Oliver and his Associates

#### CINDERELLAS

- Supplement to Green's Catalog of the Tuberculosis Seals of the World [covers 1983 to 2007; has a CD with full color images], compiled by Chuck Hoger
- Mosbaugh's Red Cross Seals of the World Catalog, 1984 edition, edited by Henry Irwin

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- *Billig's Philatelic Handbook, Vol.* 15: Distinguishing Characteristics of Classic Stamps Europe 19th Century (Except Old German States), by Hermann Schloss
- Covers: How To Mount Them and Care for Them, by Charles Wiley

- *Focus on Forgeries* (revised, expanded edition), by Varro E. Tyler
- *How to Build a Philatelic Exhibit,* sponsored by the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (CD)

#### AUCTION CATALOGS

*The "Keystone" Collection of [United States] Unexploded Booklets and Booklet Panes,* catalog for a Daniel F. Keller Auction March 2013



The William H. Gross Collection: United States, Selections From His Collections of 1847 and 1851-1856 Issues, catalog for a Robert A. Siegel auction, April 2013

#### NON-PHILATELIC (Railroads)



Burlington Route Train Rules: Operating Department, 1900

#### NON-PHILATELIC

Crónicas de Yaguajay [Cuba]: Crónica Primera: Yaguajay y las Guerra Independenistas (1868-1898), by Marcos A. Iglesias

Crónicas de Yaguajay [Cuba]: Crónica Segunda: El Mar de Yaguajay, by Marcos A. Iglesias

Essential Japanese Grammar, by Everett Bleiler



*Gazetteer to Maps of Hokkaido and Karafuto, January 1945,* published by the War Department Army Map Service

- Japanese Place Names Arranged by Characters FADTMACK, published by CINCPAC-CINCPOA in August 1945
- National Geographic Society Maps: the Complete Collection [on 8 CDs]
- *R.F.D.*, by Charles Allen Smith
- Rocky Mountain Rustic: Historic Buildings of the Rocky Mountain National Park Area, by James Lindberg, Patricia Raney, and Janet Robertson

#### Scribblings

# SECOND SATURDAY AT THE LIBRARY



Second Saturday programs are sponsored by the library and attract a friendly group of folks who are interested in a specific subject or who are interested in learning more about an area of philately that may be new to them. Contact Jim Kilbane if you would like to present a program. email: aurora\_80017@yahoo.com

The programs begin at 9 a.m. and are over by 10 a.m. Doughnuts and coffee are complimentary and all are welcome.



## July 13, 9 a.m. Advertising Covers Featuring Music by Douglas Moore

Douglas Moore, retired professor of music at Williams College, will present a slide show of highlights from his collection of more than 1000 illustrated music advertising covers. Dating from the 1850s to the 1930s, these covers are from music publishers, retailers, performers, music schools, etc. A great variety of advertising strategies will be seen, along with some unusual postal markings. Several covers from late 19th and early 20th century Colorado music publishers will close out the program.



Douglas Moore, cellist



## August 10, 9 a.m. Tasco Educational Booklets by Roger Cichorz

Roger Cichorz will present the RMPL's collection of these collector aids that were prepared and sold by the Tatham Stamp and Coin Company of Springfield, Massachusetts during the 1930s into the late 1950s. He will tell the interesting story of Confederate States counterfeits and talk about the treasure trove of Cinderella items and other interesting philatelic items available through Tatham during its halcyon days in the trade. No doubt some RMPL oldtimers were familiar with and dealt with Tatham during their youths, so this program will be an opportunity for you to take a stroll down memory lane. Youngsters not familiar with Tatham might be shaking their heads in disbelief or amazement after hearing this program.

## NEW MEMBERS

The RMPL is pleased to welcome the following new members who have joined recently:

The Albe Family, Littleton, CO Collects topicals, U.S., cinderellas, and United Nations.

Patrick Appelhaus, Aurora, CO

Jonathan Bennett, Boulder, CO

Jeff Brandes, Evergreen, CO Collects U.S. and foreign

John deLeon, Parker, CO Collects U.S. and Mexico. Monika Gordon, Kimball, NB

**Cary Jones**, Centennial, CO Collects U.S.

Paul C. Karr, Denver, CO

**Dr. VeraLouise Kleinfeld-Pfeiffer**, Broomfield, CO Front Desk Volunteer

**Hugh Lawrence**, Encinitas, CA Collects China and Russia in Asia. Douglas B. Moore, Loveland, CO

**Perry Peoples**, Aurora, CO Collects U.S. mint.

Mary Price, Aurora, CO

**Robert Price**, Aurora, CO Collects nautical and trains

Amy Long Ricke, Denver, CO

**Emmerich Zach**, Broomfield, CO Collects U.S., Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Hungary

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## CLUB PROGRAMS

Stamp Clubs	July, 2013	August, 2013	
Aerophilatelic Club 2nd Saturday, Even numbered months at RMPL; 11 a.m.	No meeting.	To be announced	
Arapahoe Stamp Club 3rd Wednesday Southglenn Library 6972 S. Vine, Centennial; 7:30 p.m.	Meeting at Arapahoe Stamp and Coin, 1295 W. Littleton Blvd.	No meeting	
Aurora Stamp Club 1st Wednesday at RMPL; 6:30 p.m.	Club Picnic on Saturday, July 13. 5 p.m. at the RMPL	Program by Tonny VanLoij	
Boulder Stamp Club 4th Wednesday, Frasier Meadows Retirement Community, 350 Ponca Place; 7:00 p.m	No meeting	No meeting	
<b>Cherrelyn Stamp Club</b> 2nd Monday, 1st Presbyterian Englewood; 7 p.m.	No meeting	No meeting	
Denver Post Card Club 2nd Thursday at RMPL; 5:30 p.m.	No meeting	Summer picnic	
Germany Stamp Club 2nd Wednesday at RMPL; 7 p.m.	German Colonies by Gary Gibson	Summer Picnic, August 4 at noon, Black Forest Inn, Nederland	
Great Britain & Commonwealth Collectors Club 3rd Sunday at RMPL; 2 p.m	No meeting	No meeting	
Longmont Stampers 3rd Thursday, Bethleham Lutheran Church, 1000 15th Ave.; 7 p.m.	No meeting	No meeting	
Mexico-Latin American Study Group 2nd Saturday at RMPL; 10 a.m.	No meeting	No meeting	
Scandinavian Collectors Club 1st Saturday at RMPL; 10 a.m.	No meeting	No meeting	
<b>TOPIC Stamp Club</b> 1st Saturday at RMPL; 1 p.m.	No meeting	No meeting	
West Side Stamp Club 3rd Tuesday, 6100 Field St; 7:30 pm.m.	No meeting	No meeting. See you in September!	



Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday 2 - 8 p.m.. Closed Sundays and Holidays. Phone: (303) 759-9921

Meeting times and places sometimes change. It is best to call the library or the club to confirm the place and time. A calendar of reserved club times is kept by Operations Manager, Don Beuthel, at the library. Clubs should check the calendar regularly and notify Don of any changes or updates at (303) 755-9328. All requests to reserve meeting time and space other than those listed here must be approved and scheduled by Don well in advance.

# **JULY 2013**

Jul 4 - 7 LIBRARY CLOSED Thursday through Sunday for the holidayJul 10 - Meeting - 7 p.m. Denver Germany Stamp Club

#### Second Saturday at the RMPL

Jul 13 - 9 a.m. Program by Douglas Moore "Advertising Covers Featuring Music"

- Jul 13 Meeting 11:30 a.m. U.S.S. Colorado Chapter, USCS
- Jul 13 Summer Picnic 5 p.m. Aurora Stamp Club

Jul 18 - RMPL Board Meeting - 5:30 p.m. All members are welcome.

Jul 20 - Meeting - 9:30 a.m. Metro Denver Young Stamp Collectors Club

Our list is shorter than normal in July and August because many clubs do not meet in the summer. They will resume their regular monthly activities in September.

## **AUGUST 2013**

Aug 4 - "Picnic" - Noon
Denver Germany Stamp Club
Black Forest Inn, Nederland
Reservations required, 303 949-2627
Aug 7 - Meeting - Aurora Stamp Club

6:30 p.m. trading, 7:00 p.m. meeting

#### Second Saturday at the RMPL

**Aug 10** - Meeting - 9 a.m. Program by Roger Cichorz "Tasco Educational Booklets"

**Aug 10 -** Meeting - 11:30 a.m. Rocky Mountain Aerophilatelists

 Aug 17 - Meeting - 9:30 a.m. Metro Denver Young Stamp Collectors Club
 Aug 17 - Picnic -Denver Postcard Club

#### 20th Anniversary Celebration

Aug 17 - Party! - 5:30 p.m. All members and families are welcome. Please RSVP to Dalene Thomas at (303) 986-6620. Thanks! See page 5 for more information.



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