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Where we've been.

September 2

Twenty-four members were on hand for the club auction, which added \$429.00 to our coffers. Thanks to all who bid on the auction lots, and thanks to those who donated them.

The long overdue election of officers was conducted, with the results being: The entire officer corps was re-elected.

There no doubt would have been more in attendance, but for the "Buckeye-nuts" that had to watch the football game. Who plays football on Thursday nights?

September 16

We returned to sort of normalcy with tonight's meeting, with 22 in attendance. It turns out our meeting space was double-

booked with another group. We were able to go to plan "B" and accommodate them in an adjoining room.

The three-item sell-it-yourself returned, with quite a few lots being auctioned off.

We spent so much time discussing club business that we ran out of time for the APS slide show. Some of the items discussed were:

Where to go for the Christmas party (Incorvaia's was one place mentioned) other ideas, bring them to next meeting; the upcoming one-day show, creation of an elected position of Club archivist/historian/librarian, purchase of a club set of Scott catalogs, and the status of the raffle conducted at the February show.

Where we're going.

Saturday, October 2

We are looking forward to resuming our annual one-day show. Of course, we will need help setting up on Friday at noon and taking down at the end on Saturday, the second,

October 7

Everything there is to know about exhibiting, Dave Plunkett. A review of the prospectus that we use for our show and the changes we made before the virus shut us down is in order. What do you think about creating a couple of new classes of exhibiting at our show? One-page exhibits and clothesline exhibits (four pages) could be possibilities.

Surely everyone in our club has one or four pages that could be exhibited, and it wouldn't take up much time, effort or frame space. Small awards or certificates could be given. Bring your thoughts and ideas and we will discuss them.

October 21

A SCCT tradition: Cider and doughnuts. We have been doing this since at least 1962, and well before. The best no-calorie diet doughnuts you will find anywhere, along with a delicious glass of cider. What a great way to get in the spirit of Halloween. An APS slideshow is also on tap for this evening.



Halloween



Halloween or Hallowe'en (a contraction of "All Hallows Evening"), also known as All-halloween, All Hallows Eve, is a celebration observed in many countries on October 31, the eve of the Western Christian feast of All Hallows Day. It begins the observance of Allhallowtide, the time in the liturgical year dedicated to remembering the dead, in-



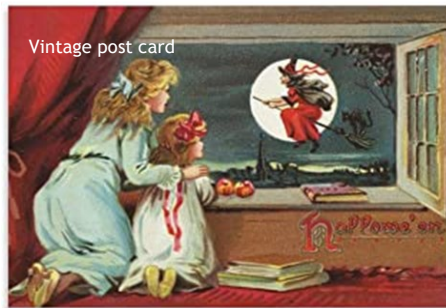
cluding saints (hallows), martyrs, and all the faithful departed.

Halloween activities include trick-or-treating, attending Halloween costume parties, carving pumpkins into jack-o'-lanterns, lighting bonfires, apple bobbing, divination games, playing pranks, visiting haunted attractions, telling scary stories, as well as watching horror or sci-fi films. In many parts of the world, the Christian religious obser-



vances of All Hallows Eve, including attending church services and lighting candles on the graves of the dead remain popular, although it is a more commercial and secular celebration.

The thousands of Halloween post-cards produced at the between the turn of the 20th century and the



1920s commonly show children, but not trick-or-treating. Trick-or-treating does not seem to have become a widespread practice in North America until the 1930s, with the first US appearances of the term in 1934, and the first use in a national publication occurring in 1939.

Halloween falls in fifth place in the list of money spent for any of the holidays. The ones above Halloween are (4) Easter (3) Valentines Day (2) Mothers/Fathers Day and (1) Christmas/New Years. It is the most expensive than any other non-gift holiday (unless you consider the Super Bowl holiday). About 7-8 billion is spent on Halloween annually, more than some European countries gross domestic product (Montenegro, Monaco and Liechtenstein) to name a few. It is also higher than all corporate donations for foreign aid. The average person



will spend about \$75 on this spooky holiday. Halloween spending is broken out in the following ways: 38% is spent on costumes, 30% on candy, 27% is spent on decorations and 5% is spent on greeting cards. Interestingly enough, not much is spent on alcohol during Halloween.

Halloween is a fertile playground to collect. Dedicated stamps, covers/cancels, computer generated stamps, cinderellas and postcards abound. The ATA has 162 Halloween stamps listed (#1088, under the Holidays category). There are scads of Halloween associated items as well. Pumpkins are a staple of the season (list #1590 in the Food category) with 77 stamps listed. Of course there is a good deal of folklore with horror stories and tales of hauntings. (list #270 under Folklore and Legends has 510 stamps listed).



Also don't forget Edgar Allen Poe and Washington Irving, among horror story authors. Horror movies are a big part of Halloween, and many movies/

actors are depicted on stamps. After Orson Welles did the War of the Worlds radio broadcast in 1938, alien invasions and sci-fi movies became a part of Halloween. As you might expect, this is a huge area to collect, with no shortage of material out there.



October 7, 1935 Detroit Tigers defeat Chicago Cubs 4 games to 2 to win World Series

The 1935 World Series featured the Detroit Tigers and the Chicago Cubs, with the Tigers winning in six games for their first championship in five Series appearances. They had lost in 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1934.

The Tigers won despite losing the services of Hank Greenberg. In game 2, Greenberg collided with Cubs catcher Gabby Hartnett and broke his wrist, sidelining him for the rest of the Series.

In Game 6, Tommy Bridges pitched a complete-game victory to win the Series for Detroit. With the score tied 3-3 in the top of the ninth inning, Bridges gave up a leadoff triple to Stan Hack, but retired the next three



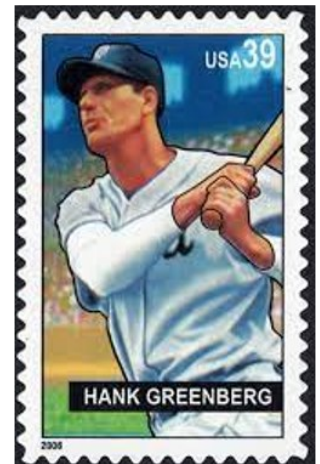
batters without the runner on third scoring. In the bottom of the ninth, Goose Goslin drove in the winning run with two outs. After the game, player/manager Mickey Cochrane said the following of Bridges' gutsy performance: "A hundred and fifty pounds of courage. If ever there is a payoff on courage, this little 150-pound pitcher is the greatest World Series hero."

In addition to Bridges, the Tigers had a hitting hero. Right fielder Pete Fox accumulated ten hits and an average of .385 for the Series. Fox hit safely in all six games.

Detroit owner Frank Navin, then 64 years old, had been running the organization for 30 years and had seen four of his six teams win

American League pennants, only to lose four World Series. Six weeks after the Tigers finally won the World Series. In October 1935, Navin suffered a heart attack while riding a horse and died.

Nine future Hall of Famers were in the 1935 World Series: Umpire Bill McGowan, Tigers Mickey Cochrane, Charlie Gehringer, Goose Goslin, Hank Greenberg, and Cubs Gabby Hartnett, Billy Herman, Chuck Klein and Freddie Lindstrom.



October 21, 1956

Carrie Fisher

Carrie Fisher (October 21, 1956) was the daughter of singer Eddie Fisher and actress Debbie Reynolds. She is most well known as an actress, playing the role of Princess Leia in the *Star Wars* films. Her other film credits include *Shampoo* (1975), *The Blues Brothers* (1980), *Hannah and Her Sisters* (1986), *The Burbs* (1989), *When Harry Met Sally* (1989), *Soapdish* (1991), *Austin Powers, Man of Mystery* (1997), *Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle* (2003) and *The Women* (2008).

The *Star Wars* series she appeared in were *Star Wars* (1977), *The Empire Strikes Back* (1980), *Return of the Jedi* (1983), *Star Wars: The Last Jedi* (2017), and *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*.



Some of her lesser-known films include: *Hollywood Vice Squad* (1986), *Amazon Women on the Moon* (1987), *Sibling Rivalry* (1990), *Sweet Revenge* (1990), *Cougar Club* (2007) and *Sorority Row* (2009).

Carrie and her mother were featured



in *Bright Lights: Starring Carrie Fisher and Debbie Reynolds*, a documentary about their relationship. It premiered at the 2016 Cannes Film Festival.

When she was 19, she and Harrison Ford, then a 33-year-old married father of two, had a whirlwind three-month affair while filming the original *Star Wars* in 1976. "It was Han and Leia during the week, and Carrie and



Harrison during the weekend," she says in her book. She was 19 and he was 33, married with 2 kids.

Debbie Reynolds had everything prepared to celebrate Christmas 2016 with her family when her daughter, actress Carrie Fisher, suffered a heart attack aboard a flight on Dec. 23.

Fisher died four days later, on Dec. 27. Her mother, Reynolds, passed away the following day from a stroke. Her son, Todd Fisher, blamed heartbreak for his mother's death.

Posthumously she appeared in *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*, from unreleased footage from her previous film.

Stamp Collector's Club of Toledo

All meetings are held at the Perrysburg Masonic Building, 590 E. South Boundary, Perrysburg, OH 43551. Members begin to gather at about 6:30, with the business meeting to begin at 7:00. Programs or activities follow the business meeting. Guests are always welcome to attend.

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Linn's www.linns.com
OPHS www.ohiopostalhistory.com
APS www.stamps.org
ATA www.americantopicalassn.org
USSS www.usstamps.org
www.stampfinder.com
www.zillionsofstamps.com

Local Shows

Blue Ribbon Show, Third Sunday, 9:30-3:30. St. Clement's Hall, 3030 Tremainsville Rd., Toledo.

Saturday, October 2. Septoberfest. Stamp Collector's Club of Toledo. Perrysburg Masonic Hall, 590 East South Boundary, Perrysburg, OH. Hours: 10 am to 10 pm. Help if you can. Friday, Oct. 1 at noon to set up tables and chairs. Registration throughout the day on Saturday when you can, and take down at the end at 5:00. Remember the old adage—the more hands the lighter the load.



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A few snaps from our September meetings

