



KINGDOM PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

Fulton, Missouri 65251

Kingdom of Callaway County—Mule Capitol of the World

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Meeting

The next meeting of the Kingdom Philatelic Association will be 7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 18, 2015 at the **Callaway Electric Coop Energy Center**.

This month's circuits include 2 books of British North America, 2 books of France, 1 of Liechtenstein, 1 book of Austria, 1 book of Danzig, 1 Great Britain and 1 book of Vatican stamps. The rest are an assortment of U.S. stamps, including 1 with revenues and one postal cards and stationary. The topical book this month is fancy cancels.

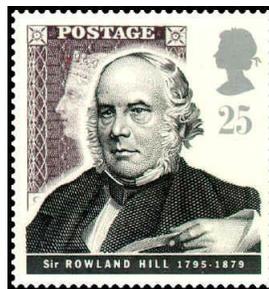
Last month David gave us a refresher course on Postal Stationary, with some new insights. I believe he pretty well answered my question, "What is Postal Stationary anyway?" He also had a few examples of postal stationary from other countries, but I don't think anyone in the club



focuses on foreign postal stationary or post cards. David is a member of the United Postal Stationary Society (UPSS) and had some catalogs that they publish. If you are interested in this area you may want to visit their site, <http://www.upss.org/>. There is a lot of additional information there. You may even want to join.

WHY ROWLAND HILL INVENTED POSTAGE STAMPS?

There is a story that Rowland Hill, the man credited with the establishment of cheap postage and the use of postage stamps in Great Britain, was inspired to develop the concept by witnessing a scene in a country village - the postman presented a letter to a village maiden, who glanced at it, then handed it back, saying she could not afford to pay the postage. Hill, in sympathy, paid the postage and handed it to her. Once the postman had left, the girl confided to Hill that she did not want the letter at all, since the message it conveyed was written in a private code on the exterior, and she had read it when the postman first handed it to her. Whether the story is true or not, it illustrates the major weaknesses of the older system, in which rates were very high, so most mail was sent Due, and the recipient was under no obligation to pay it.



Dr. John Edward Gray of the British Museum became the first collector of adhesive stamps when he purchased a block of Penny Blacks on May 1, 1840. He also published an early catalog and claimed to be the inventor of the postage stamp.



Stamp/Coin Shows and Auctions

2015 Antique Postcard & Americana Paper show	June 26-27	Columbia
Fenton Stamp Bourse	July 11, 2015	Fenton, MO
MO Numismatic Society Annual Coin show	July 23-25	St. Charles

New U.S. stamps scheduled For issue in June 2015



Philatelic Dates

June 2015	Several USPS stamps will be re-issued with new rate changes
June 1, 1850	Austria issues its first postage stamp.
June 1, 2015	USPS issues 22c additional ounce Penguin stamps
June 1, 2015	USPS issues 35c postal card rate Coastal Bird stamps
June 1, 2015	USPS issues 71c Eastern Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly stamp
June 5, 2015	USPS issues 93c Flannery O'Connor commemorative stamp
June 14, 1920	First postage stamp issued for Danzig
June 18, 2015	Kingdom Philatelic Association meeting, Fulton, MO

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