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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Feb. 3 Meeting Groundhog Day Big Auction
- Feb. 17 Meeting TBD
- Mar. 3 Meeting TBD
- Mar. 17 Meeting St. Patrick's. Day Big Auction


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## CLUB MEETING INFORMATION

The February 3rd and 17th Meetings (7:30 PM) will be LIVE at the Plymouth Historical Museum and via ZOOM. Doors open at 6:30.

## 2023 CLUB DUES REMINDER

WSSC dues for 2023 are still $\$ 12$. Please pay Jim at the February meeting or mail them in to the WSSC mailing address.

## PLYMOUTH SHOW EXHIBITS CRITICALY NEEDED

The Plymouth Show will be coming up on April 29th and 30th. Start working on your exhibits now if you plan to have an exhibit at the show. Exhibits are needed, submit ASAP. Contact the Exhibit Committee for more information, www.thewssc.com.

## BANQUET COORDINATOR NEEDED

We need a person to coordinate the Show Banquet on Saturday Night, April 29th. Please contact Tim for more information.
MEETING DATES FOR 2023
Below is a list of meeting dates for 2023. If there are any changes, they will be published in the newsletter.
January 6 \& $20 \quad$ July 7 \& 21
February 3 \& $17 \quad$ August 4 \& 18
March 3 \& $17 \quad$ September 8 \& 22
April 7 \& $28 \quad$ October 6 \& 20
Plymouth Show April 29 \& 30 November 3 \& 17
May 5 \& 19 December 5, Holiday Party TBD
June 2 \& 16

## DOG SLED MAIL

On a snowy day in winter I thought Dog Sled Mail Covers would be a timely subject for the newsletter.


Centennial Western Dog Sled Mail Run
Post marked Inuvik N.W.T.
This route follows the Mackenzie River from
Ft. Smith to Aklavik above the Arctic Circle

## WINDSLED MAIL SERVICE

Oak Island, Penasse and Baudette are all located in the Northwest Angle in northern Minnesota. Only access is via water from the US. Land route is through Canada. This area is the little bump in the map on our border with Canada. There is an interesting history to this area. Much of this area is part of the Red River Indian Reservation.


Winter Windsled Mail Service to the Northwest Angle


1929 Maine Canada Pulsifer Dog Sled Mail


Our Lady of the Snows, Colville Lake N.W.T.


Winter Star Route Air Mail service to the Angle


See handwritten note on back of cover by the Oak Island MN Postmaster

## Qemal Stafa - Albania \#393a



One of the most graphic stamps ever issued is Albania \#393a. A souvenir sheet issued to commemorate the assassination of Qemal Stafa by Italian fascist forces on Nov. 8, 1941. Qemal, 22 was a founding member of the Albanian Communist Party and the leader of its youth section. He is considered a national hero and many streets and public buildings in Albania are named for him. The day of his death, May 5th is celebrated as a national holiday called Martyrs' Day to commemorate all those who gave their lives for Albania's liberation in World War II. Scott Cat. Value is $\$ 90.00$.

Ex. Steward (Yes, the Steward who used to be a club member!)
If you would like to own this souvenir sheet it will be in the first February Club Auction.

## Big Auction February 3, 2023

1. Canada mint Scott 72, Cat $\$ 300.00$
2. U.S. used Scott RW21, RW25, mint no gum RW23, RW19, Cat $\$ 60.00$
3. U.S. mint/used on stock page, some better, needs a look
4. U.S. used Scott 423, Cat $\$ 80.00$
5. 2 covers 1 with a Scott $145,146,1$ with a Scott 25
6. Scott Specialty Canada album with pages
7. U.S. mint airmail over $\$ 10.00$ face
8. U.S. mint Scott 279b, 597-602, 604-606 all never hinged, Cat $\$ 88.00$

9. U.S. mint Scott 416, never hinged, Cat $\$ 100.00$
10. U.S. postcard selection
11. U.S. mint Scott 481, 482, never hinged, 483, 484 never hinged used scott 474, 475, 478, Cat $\$ 86.00$
12. U.S. mint Scott 083, Cat $\$ 240.00$, or 0114 Cat $\$ 6.00$, you decide
13. U.S. mint Scott E11, never hinged used Scott E9, E10, Cat $\$ 107.00$
14. U.S. mint Scott 414, never hinged, Cat $\$ 100.00$
15. U.S. cover selection
16. Canada - \#101 MLH, $10 \not \subset$ dark violet. Beautiful Mint Stamp. Very lightly hinged. Cat. \$200.00.
17. Albania - \#393a MNH, Souvenir Sheet issued to commemorate the Assassination of Qemal Stafa by Italian fascist forces in World War II. Ex. Steward (Yes, the Steward who used to be a club member). Cat. $\$ 90.00$.
18. (8) MNH Souvenir Sheets from the "PHILEXFRANCE ‘89" Exhibition. Included are Grenada \#1733, GuineaBissau \#810, Honduras \#C782, Israel \#1027, Korea, DPR \#2843, \& Kiribati \#526 \& 527. Total Cat. \$43.25.
19. China, People's Republic - (49) MNH Stamps consisting of (13) Sets \& (7) Singles from 1985. Cat. \$41.30.
20. British Commonwealth Christmas Stamps - (43) MNH Stamps \& (3) MNH Souvenir Sheets from 1999 to 2003 from Antigua, Christmas Island, Cook Islands, Dominica, \& Fiji. Total Cat. \$72.20.
21. British Commonwealth - (223) older stamps from Ceylon, Cayman Islands, Cyprus, Fiji, Gambia, Grenada, Gilbert \& Ellice Islands, Gibraltar, Gold Coast, \& Ghana.
22. (4) MNH Souvenir Sheets from the "Stamp World London 90" Exhibition. Included are Seychelles \#708, Seychelles Zil Elwannyen Sesel \#170a, Isle of Man \#424, \& Vanuatu \#523. Total Cat. \$47.50.
23. A Display Card loaded on both sides with everything from A to $Z$ (Aitutaki to Zanzibar). Many interesting better stamps.
24. Great Britain - \#45a used. 6p deep lilac. Cat. \$135.00.
25. (297) nice older stamps from Ethiopia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Estonia, Egypt, Finland, \& Greece.
26. British Commonwealth - (130) older stamps from Victoria, Trinidad \& Tobago, Jamaica, Malta, St. Vincent, Sierra Leone, Southern Rhodesia, St. Lucia, Leeward Islands, Kuwait, and Kenya \& Uganda.
27. "Glider Mail" Book by Simine Short. New hard cover book still in wrapper. 261 pages. Sells on eBay for \$25.00 to \$75.00.

## Mini Auction February 17, 2023

1. Canada mint Scott 73, hinge remnant. Cat $\$ 550.00$
2. U.S. used Scott RW32, RW35, mint no gum, RW33, RW34, Cat $\$ 92.00$
3. U.S. mint (2) 2559 , (2) 2697 sheets. Cat $\$ 30.00$, face $\$ 11.60$
4. U.S. mint Scott 212, Cat $\$ 90.00$
5. U.S. postcard selection with R.P.O.'s
6. Canada used on pages including Scott 262, O24, O32, CO1, CO2
7. U.S. mint multiples mostly 3 cent issues
8. U.S. mint Scott 374, 375, 377, 384, used Scott 380, 382, Cat $\$ 87.50$

9. U.S. mint Scott 281 never hinged, Cat $\$ 100.00$
10. U.S. unused postcards
11. U.S. mint Scott 344, 345 never hinged, 347, 348 used Scott 343. Cat $\$ 91.75$
12. U.S. mint Scott 086, Cat $\$ 625.00$ or 0117 Cat $\$ 11.00$ you decide
13. U.S. used Scott E2, E5, E6, Cat $\$ 67.50$
14. U.S. mint Scott 213, never hinged, Cat $\$ 120.00$
15. U.S. postcards all R.P.O.'s
16. Canada - \#103 MLH. $20 \not \subset$ yellow brown. Beautiful Mint Stamp. Very lightly hinged. Cat. $\$ 250.00$.
17. (319) older stamps from Pakistan, Haiti, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, \& Maldive Islands.
18. British Commonwealth Christmas Stamps - (44) MNH Stamps \& (1) MNH Souvenir Sheet from 1999-2004 from Ascension, Australia, Canada, \& Cayman Islands. Total Cat. \$77.25.
19. (6) MNH Souvenir Sheets from the "Stamp World London 90" Exhibition. Included are Chile \#893a, Dominica \#1239 \& 1240, Virgin Islands \#656 \& 657, \& Dominican Republic \#1086. Total Cat. \$41.25.
20. Great Britain - \#30, 32 \& 33(plate 162) used. Total Cat. \$86.00.
21. New Zealand plus Cook Islands, Nauru, \& Transvaal - (131) nice older stamps.
22. A Display Page loaded on both sides with older stamps from Austria. Many better stamps.
23. British Commonwealth - (205) older stamps from Hong Kong, Kenya, Uganda, Malaysia, Sarawak, Leeward Islands, Mauritius, Malta, Montserrat, Nigeria, \& St. Helen.
24. (7) MNH Souvenir Sheets from "PHILEXFRANCE ‘89" Exhibition. Included are Ascension \#473, Cambodia \#996, France \#2162, 2232 \& 2259, Central African Republic \#927 \& Brazil \#2197. Total Cat. \$31.50.
25. British Commonwealth - (122) older stamps from St. Helena, St. Kitts, Muscat, Montserrat, Mauritius, Malta, \& Malaya.
26. China, People's Republic - (56) MNH stamps consisting of (14) Sets and (5) Singles from 1986 - 1987. Total Cat. \$42.30.
27. (2) Brand new soft cover books from the American Air Mail Society. 1.) "Max" by A.D. Jones - A book about an early air mail pilot. 2.) "Peruvian Civil Aviation" by Herbert H. Moll - A book about early aviation \& air mail in Peru.
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## Suggestion:

How about submitting a newsletter article

## We Need Programs For the 2023 Meetings

If you have a topic you would like to share with the Club please advise Charlie Wood.
You will receive either funny money (\$15) or a gold tong for your effort.
Please consider presenting a program.

## WANTED—Great Britain Scott \# 101 Used (see specifics below)

Member is looking for used 101 with one of the three lower letter combinations in the design: D-D, G-J, and L-T. Looking for these three stamps used and fairly clean and fresh. Attempting to reconstruct a sheet. Contact Everett at barandev@aol.com for more details.

Stamp Collection for sale
U.S., Air Mail, Back of Book and some International.

If interested, contact Ed Good at 734-846-3736 for more information.

