

Thames Stamp Club Newsletter

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The Thames Stamp Club meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, Sept. through June, at 7:30 P.M. at the Clark Lane Middle School, Waterford, CT. All area philatelists are invited. Annual dues are \$10.00. The club's email is tbbee@aol.com. The club's address is PO Box 624, E. Lyme, CT 06333 and on the web at <http://www.ThamesStampClub.org>.

Summer Recap

Jul 14, 28 – Zoom meeting. Social philatelic discussions.

Aug 11, 25 – Zoom meeting. Thamespex Committee Review.

September Meetings

Sept 8 – Zoom meeting. Thamespex hot wash-up. All are invited.

Sept 22 – Zoom meeting. All are invited.

September Stamp Shows

12 Sept 2nd Sunday Show @ Comfort Inn, Meriden.

24-26 Sept Philatelic Show @ **Boxboro Regency Hotel, Boxborough, MA**

26 Sept 4th Sunday Show @ The Annex Y.M.A. in East Haven

Here and There

Thamespex'21 is now in the history books and all indications are it was a great success. I spoke with the dealers and almost all indicated they had done well and would return again next year. The Waterford Community Center is a great venue and may become our new home for the show. Thanks to all members who helped setting up and taking down the tables and chairs. I am circulating the stamp-circuit boxes; if you want to check out the box in your home for a few days, let me know. Brian has circulated our Thamespex 21 cover honoring the USS Cheyenne. Everyone please stay healthy and safe. This month's cover-of-the-month feature is provided courtesy of Dee Sockbeson. The following link will take you to the APS Sept 3 Newsletter:

<https://stamps.org/news/c/news/p/1>

Philatelically yours,

Tony

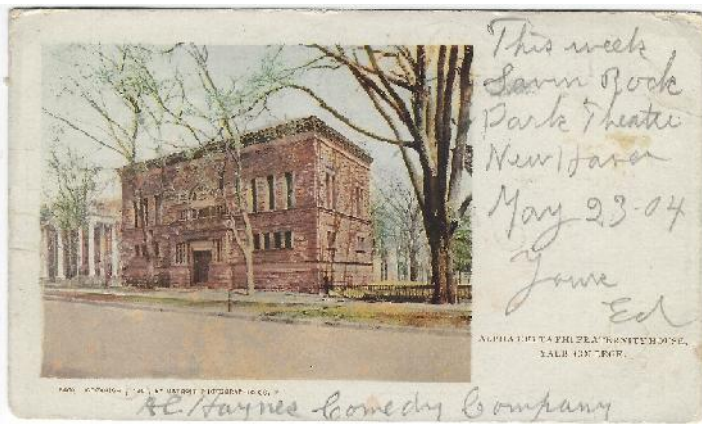
Tony Bruno



Obie manning the club table



Marilyn and Harold at food table



My grandmother received this postcard in 1904 from a friend. It shows a colorized picture of the Alpha Delta Phi Yale fraternity house, 15 Hillhouse Ave, taken by the famous artist and photographer William Henry Jackson during a trip he took to Yale. This photo was part of a collection of Jackson's Yale photos purchased by the Detroit Photography Company in 1897. They colorized his pictures and used them on postcards similar to this one. The photo collection was later acquired by the Library of Congress. You can view this photo plus all his other Yale photos on the library's on-line photographic database. The original building still stands and houses the Yale Collection of Musical Instruments.

This card features a West Haven station postmark, a Boston postmark and a receiving postmark by the Somerville station. The sender mentions the Savin Rock Park and Theatre — a West Haven institution in the 1890s and early 1900s. (A history of the park can be found at <http://Connecticuthistory.org>).

The sender (Ed) used the 1c Livingston commemorative from the Louisiana Purchase Exposition issue of 1904 (Scott #323) instead of the more usual 1c Ben Franklin (#300). The Livingston was issued on April 30, 1904 and almost 80 million copies were printed.

The stamp was the first of a set of 5 stamps, which commemorated the Louisiana Purchase of 1803. Livingston, featured on the green 1c, had been the US Ambassador to France who helped negotiate the purchase with Napoleon. The stamps also helped to publicize the 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis, MO.

More photos from the show:

