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PHIL EDWARDS: The Covermonster Awarded Honorary Membership

By John Martin, ACE Secretary

Phil Edwards is the newest honorary member of the Art Cover Exchange.

ACE 353, who also identifies himself as the "Covermonster," was voted to the status by the ACE officers and surprised with a certificate at the ACE annual meeting in Hilton, N.Y., this past June.

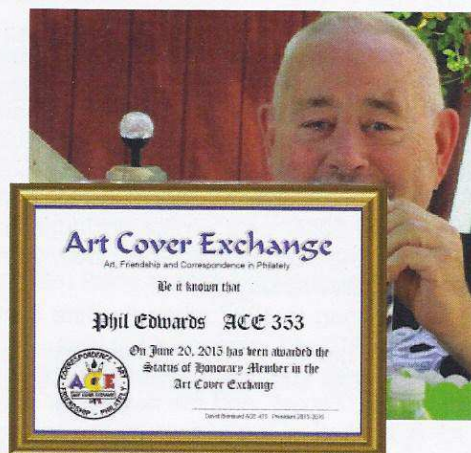
Phil, who lives in Elyria, Ohio, has been a member of ACE for more than a fifth of a century. During that time he has twice been voted by the ACE membership as Member of the Year -- in 2000 and again in 2008.

Phil began collecting stamps when he was 11 years old but, in 1995, switched from being a stamp collector, per se, to collecting ACE covers and U.S. Navy ships covers. Phil and Charlie Delgado, ACE 20, were both members of the Black River Stamp Club and Charlie had introduced Phil to ACE.

Phil has put a variety of subjects on his covers, but among his favorite topic are U.S. ships, mermaids, and U.S. Presidents, especially those about whom not much was taught in school. The late Tom Morrissey, ACE 355, is the one Phil credits with sparking his interest in ship covers. When Phil talks ship covers, he doesn't merely mean one with just a cachet of a ship -- he means one that he has actually mailed to the ship to be canceled in the ship's own post office.

Besides ACE and the Black River Stamp Club, Phil is also a member of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society.

Phil has an ACE specialty of his own that he has nicknamed "the freebie." When Phil knows that members collect certain topics, he often will make and send them extra covers on that topic without expecting a cover in return. He started calling them "freebies" and they



The picture of Phil holding his certificate was not printable due to the glare on the plastic protective sheet so I made this computer generated version.

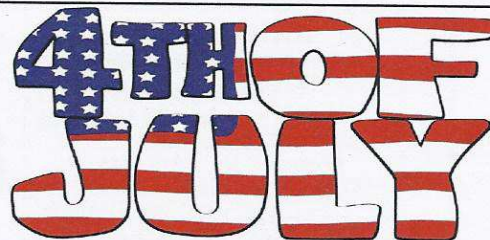
are identifiable by the fact that Phil doesn't put a letter inside.

As far as letters go, though, Phil does write them for his regular exchanges, living up to the "correspondence" designation in the ACE logo.

Phil spent his working life serving the citizens of Elyria as a police officer. In 1976, he was astride his patrol motorcycle about 5 p.m. when he was hit by a drunken driver who had fallen asleep, allowing his vehicle to careen left of center and sideswipe him. As a result, he lost his left leg just above the knee. After that, he worked at office jobs inside the police station and for his last three years on the force was the evidence officer for the detective bureau. He retired in 1992 after 25 years on the job.

Phil has a prosthetic leg and is able to lead an active life, accomplishing "honeydew" home improvement projects for his wife, Bobbie.

They have four children, Philip Jr., Scott, Tammy and Mark, and four grandchildren.



ACE Cover Auction

Its time for an ACE cover auction. So put your bidding shoes on and send me a self addressed stamped envelope to receive a copy of the auction lots and the bidding rules. We have a little something for everyone. **The auction closes Sept. 30th so send your requests to:**

David Snyder
1366 S. Gold Dust Circle.
Cottonwood, Arizona 86326

All proceeds will go to the ACE treasury to help keep the dues low. Any donations of materials for future auctions can also be sent to David Snyder at the above address.

Help keep the dues from going up by participating in club auctions.

Cover of the Month



This hand-painted cover made its way to Colorado USA from New Zealand. The artwork of **Robin Sparrow ACE 523** was prepared for **Bill Porter ACE 447**.

Editor's Note: Remember to send scans of/for covers to the editor to be included in Cover of the Year selection for 2015. Scans will be saved until year's end and voted on in 2016. All covers sent in will be scanned and returned to the sender in a timely matter.

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Applying for Membership:

ACE dues are applicable for the calendar year in which they are received in accordance with the Dues Schedule printed below. Dues are \$20 for U.S. single membership or for a family membership with 1 newsletter (each member in the same household will be issued individual membership numbers). \$25 for Canada, Mexico and all other International memberships.

Please add \$2 for PayPal payments

Please include a sample cover with your application.

Prospective members may request membership information by contacting the treasurer:

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ACE Dues Schedule

Months Joined	Dues Amount	Newsletters Received
Jan.- March	\$20	12
April - June	\$15	9
July - Sept.	\$10	6
Oct. - Dec (Bonus)	\$20	3 + 12 new year

It's Time to Fill Someone's Mailbox

Once again, it's GAD's time.

By now all members have received a postcard informing them of the name of this year's "Target," in which we surprise someone by flooding their mailbox with covers postmarked Aug. 1, the official date of the Great ACE Day.

If you're wondering what kinds of covers to send, you could always check the Target's name in the roster where one's favorite subjects are listed. But the Target is sure to appreciate whatever you decide to send.

Members are urged to send as many covers as possible to the Target, and -- at the same time -- send a cover to everyone else in ACE, or at least to all of those with whom they regularly exchange.

It's traditional to put the initials GAD on the cover and many use a Roman number to designate which GAD it is, although one member has suggested that Romans numerals are "hard to figure out unless you really focus." So some will just put "GAD 2015" or a similar designation. But, for the record, it's GAD XXIX (the 29th Great ACE Day).

GAD began in 1987 when the late Ken Jenkins, ACE 17, originated the idea.

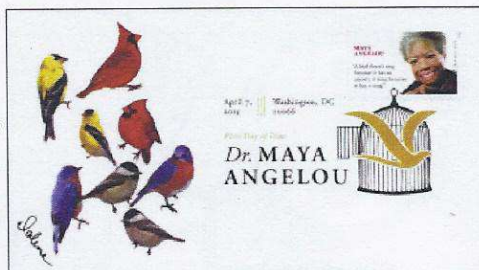
Each year, members nominate candidates for "Target" and the newsletter editor is notified of the winner by the secretary, who counts the ballots. The actual Target receives a postcard naming another candidate as winner, to maintain secrecy and surprise.

Not only does GAD bring a flood of covers to the Target, it also makes for an interesting few days for the mailman who delivers them!

Remember it's not too late to send GAD covers even if you missed the Aug. 1 date.

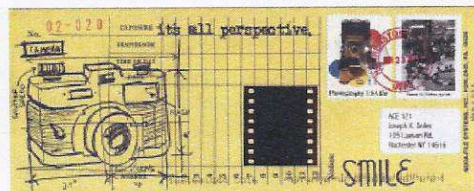


2 fdc's by Thom E-Youssouppoff ACE 242



The creator of the above first day cover is **Dalene Thomas ACE 421**. Dalene sent this cover to **David Evans ACE 524**. David wrote "I received this Maya Angelou cover and thought it was very well done with stickers. Would you be so kind as to include it in a forthcoming Cover to Cover?"

Anyone receiving a cover that they would like to see in the newsletter can send it or a scan to the editor. All original covers will be returned.



This Kraft paper preprinted storage sleeve for 120/220 mm size roll film negatives was converted into an ACE cover. The piece of 35 mm film was glued to the sleeve, additional artwork was applied and appropriate postage stamps with the same theme were applied. This wonderful little cover is the work of **Marguerite Keen, ACE 529** of Lancaster, PA.



This cover by **Gene & Christine Sanders ACE 521 & 522** is called "Tropical Treats". Made from Christine's drawings with a computer-generated background. The droplets on the cover was from the rain storm the day the cover was delivered.

Printer inks are water soluble and will run if they get wet. A tip from **Ada Prill ACE 357** many years ago was to use a light coat of hairspray before mailing. You can also use a spray fixative used for pastel chalk drawings. Most craft stores and art supply store sell the Krylon matte finish spray.

Recognition for Joe Doles

By John Martin, ACE Secretary

Joe Doles, ACE 121, is probably the hardest working member of the Art Cover Exchange. Every month, without remuneration of any kind, Joe designs and assembles the ACE newsletter, "Cover to Cover," takes it to have it printed, then mails it out, with the help of his wife, to every member.

In addition to that, Joe also keeps track of new members and prints the annual roster. He is also the ACE treasurer and keeps track of finances as well as who is and who isn't an active member.

Some members reciprocate by writing or emailing Joe and telling him they're thankful for what he does. Joe was also thanked at the recent annual meeting of ACE when he was presented, on behalf of the membership, an ACE Certificate of Recognition for his years of service to the club.

Joe has received other honors in the past as well. He was voted Member of the Year in 2001, 2003 and 2006. He was also honored as Great ACE Day target in 2009 and was named as an Honorary Member in 2007.

Joe had collected stamps as a child, along with other things young boys collect, such as marbles, matchbooks and "whatever would fit in my pocket," but it was in 1980, when Joe was employed by Eastman Kodak Co. in Rochester, that he became a collector in earnest. One of his sons came to him and asked if Joe's employer had a stamp club. It did, and Joe and son received a warm welcome. Soon, Joe was involved with the youth in the club, helping them learn to make covers while he, at the same time, was learning himself.

Today, his main collecting interests are mourning covers and "anything Christmas."

Joe spent 33 years with Kodak and did several different jobs, his last one being a supervising chemical technician.

It was at Kodak that Joe met fellow collector George M. Hill III, known as ACE 339. George joined ACE and later became an officer and newsletter editor. Joe's early involvement was to help George with the newsletter; Joe himself became the editor in July of 2003. Earlier, in 1999, Joe was first elected as treasurer.

Joe took early retirement from Kodak in 1991 but the next year started working at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. First he was a seasonal employee, while also spending time working at a book store, but eventually the job at the cemetery became a six-day a week job. He has served there as an administrative assistant since 1998. Joe also worked for World Wide News for seven years, and completed computer courses which were part of his package when he retired from Kodak.

Joe has been a member of the American Philatelic Society since 1982 and, in addition to ACE, is also a member of the Post Mark Collectors Club, the Universal Ship Cancellation Society, the Christmas Philatelic Club, the Christmas Seal & Charity Stamp Society, the Mailer's Postmark Permit Club, the Meter Stamp Society, the Mourning Stamps and Covers Club, a life member of the Rochester Philatelic Association, and is a member of the board of directors of the Western Monroe Stamp Philatelic Society. He also served as president of the Kodak Stamp Club for its last 10 years until it closed when Kodak ceased supporting clubs for its employees.

Joe is also a photographer, both professionally and as a hobbyist, and loves books, with a personal library of over 8,000 volumes, mostly on subjects such as history, art, photography...and his wife's cookbooks. He was a wedding photographer and also volunteered to take photos of 144 Catholic churches and has photo credits in the various church archives. He is interested in calligraphy and heraldry.

Joe and his wife Nancy became sweethearts in 1959 and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this last February. His son Scott manages a Home Depot in Rochester and son Brian operates a remodeling business in Atlanta. Joe has one grandson in Rochester and a "grandogger" in Atlanta.



INFO YOU CAN USE

IDEAS FOR COVER MAKERS

August Birthdays:

- 1-Francis Scott Key, 1779;
Herman Melville, 1819
- 4-Barack Obama, 1961
- 5-Neil Armstrong, 1930
- 6-Lucille Ball, 1911; Andy Warhol, 1928
- 8 -- Odie (from Garfield comic), 1978
- 10-Herbert Hoover, 1874
- 13-Annie Oakley, 1860;
Alfred Hitchcock, 1899
- 17-Davy Crockett, 1786
- 18-Meriwether Lewis, 1774
- 19-Orville Wright, 1871
- 29-Ingrid Bergman, 1915

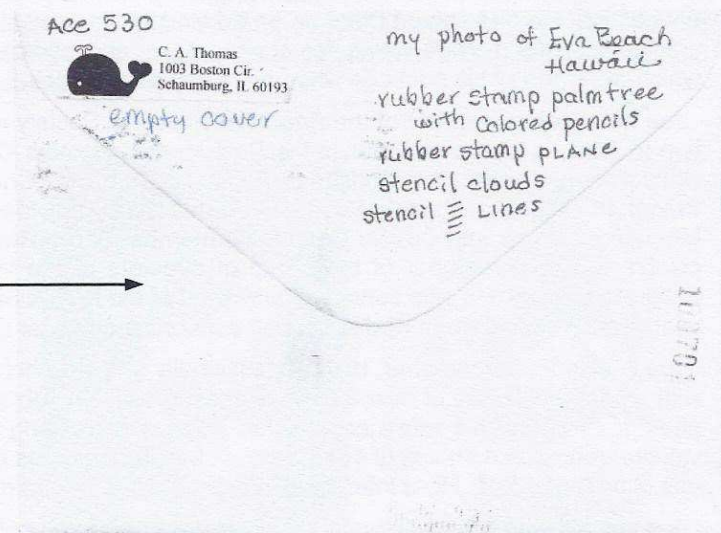
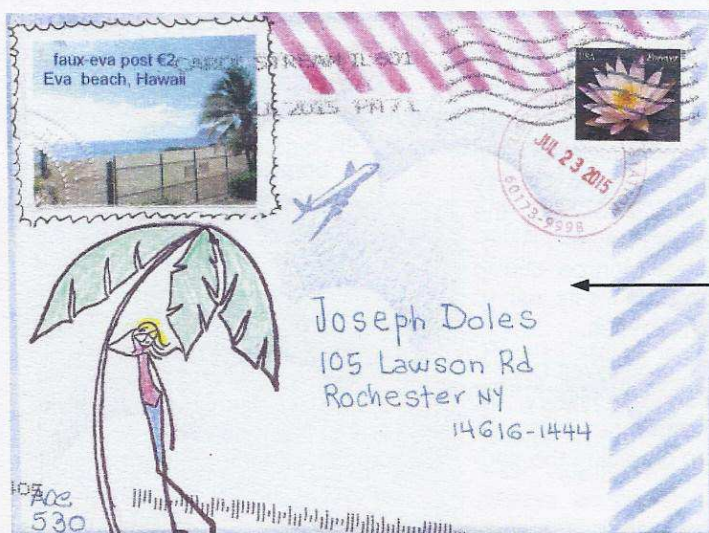
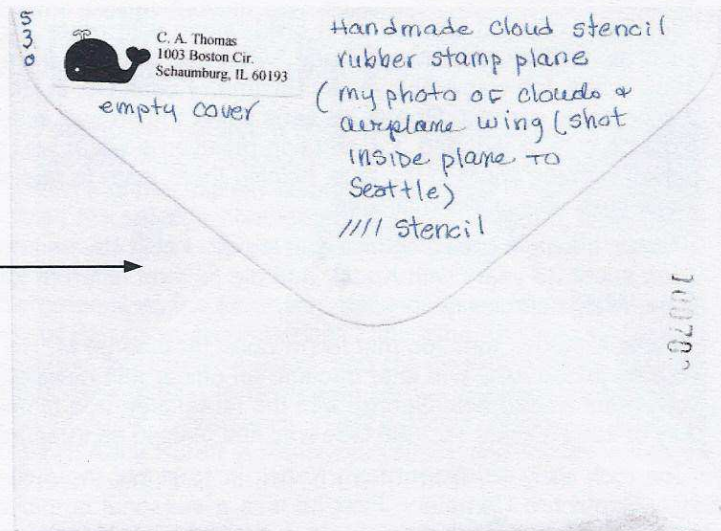
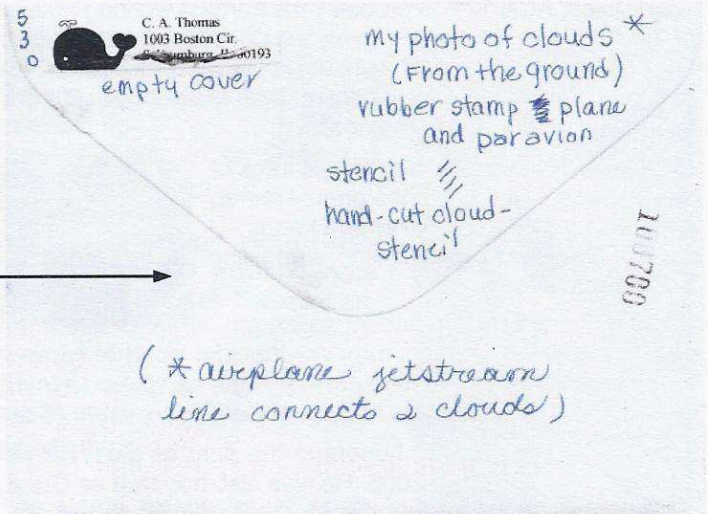
Want more? <http://holidayinsights.com/bday/august.htm>

August Events, Anniversaries

- 1 -- Great ACE Day
- 1 --Army est. aeronautic division, predecessor of USAF, 1907
- 2 -- PT-109, commanded by JFK, sank after attack by Japanese, 1943
- 3 -- Coolidge becomes President after Harding dies, 1923
- 3 -- Columbus set sail for new world, 1492
- 3 -- Nautilus first to cross North Pole underwater, 1958
- 4 -- U.S. Coast Guard Forever Stamp to be issued.
- 6 -- Cy Young's first major league victory with Cleveland Spiders, 1890.
- 6 -- Enola Gay drops atomic bomb on Hiroshima, 1945
- 7 -- National Lighthouse Day
- 7 -- George Washington creates Order of Purple Heart, 1872
- 9 -- Betty Boop debuts in "Dizzy Dishes," 1930
- 9 -- U.S. bombs Nagasaki, 1945
- 9 -- Nixon resigns; Ford president, 1974
- 12 -- Elvis stamp to be issued.
- 12 -- "The Wizard of Oz" premieres in Oconomowoc, WI, 1939
- 12 -- Spanish-American War ends, 1898
- 14 -- National V-J Day
- 17 -- Klondike Gold Rush begins, 1896
- 20 -- Ingrid Bergman stamp to be issued
- 22 -- Nolan Ryan first major leaguer to strike out 5,000 batters, 1989
- 24 -- Gutenberg Bible completed, 1456
- 31 -- First pre-stamped envelopes by Congress, 1852

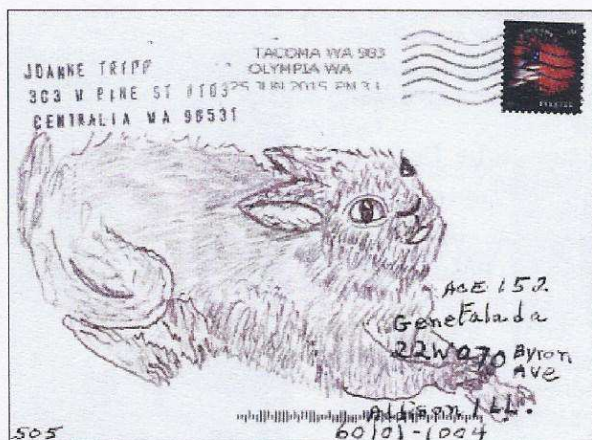
Want more? <http://holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/august.htm>
and: www.on-this-day.com

HOW CAROL DOES IT



Carol Thomas ACE 530 is relatively new to ACE. Her covers are always interesting. She uses a combination of drawing, rubber stamps, stencils, labels and her own photography. On the back of each cover she makes note of her processes used in creating her covers. Also note the she uses a consecutive numbering system for her covers. Maybe we can get Carol to send in her biography so that we can read about her philosophy on art covers and how she got started.

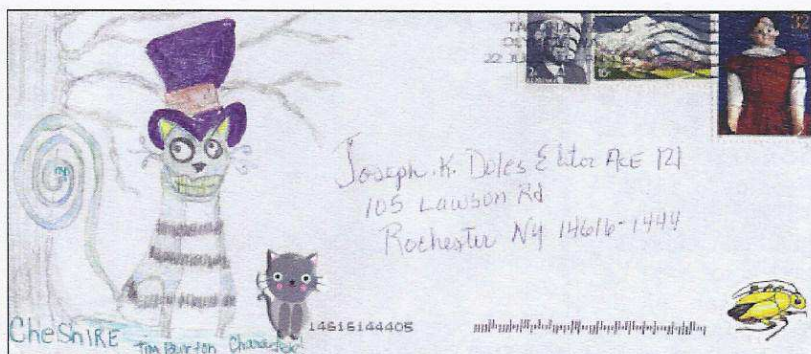
COVERS RECEIVED THIS MONTH



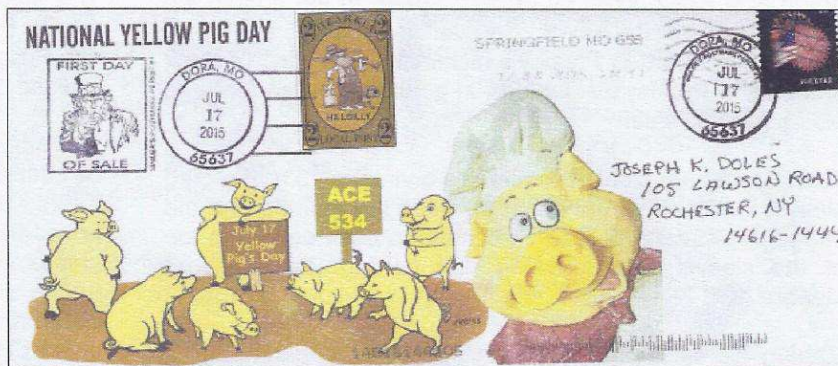
Joanne Tripp ACE 505 sent this color pencil drawn cat to Gene Falada ACE 152. Gene really liked this one.



From Robin Sparrow ACE 523 on a heavy weight page from a very colorful book.

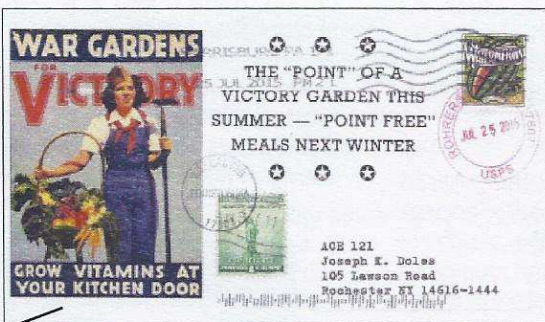


This one from Marilyn Parker ACE 526 was sent with a nice note in it. "All the contributors have been very good with lots of interesting information and excellent reading makes the newsletter interesting with something for everyone."



John Colasanti ACE 534 made up this cover for the Yellow Pigs Day.

WWII VICTORY GARDENS
My interest in World War II home front history continues to increase since attending the reenactment at the Lancaster Historical Society in May and one day of the 3-day Reading Air Show WWII Weekend in June. I just finished reading Tom Brokaw's "The Greatest Generation" and I'm almost finished with "V for Victory" by Stan Cohen. I have my grandparents' letters from the war, and I collected some primary sources about cooking and sewing. Although I have a black thumb and a shaded yard, I'm currently fascinated by Victory Gardens.
Be well, Marguerite ACE 529



Cover & insert by Marguerite Keen ACE 529.



A 4th of July cover from David Evans ACE 524.

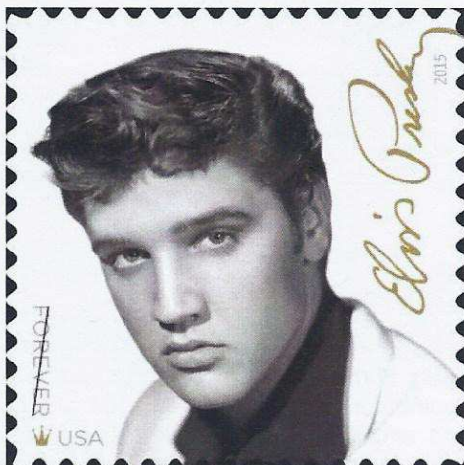


These two memorial covers for the last Czar of Russia killed July 17, 1918 were created by Thom Eggleston-Youssouppoff ACE 242.

New Stamp Issues Announced From the USPS

With this stamp in the Music Icons series, the U.S. Postal Service® honors Elvis Presley (1935–1977), the singer, guitarist, musician, and actor who became one of the first true stars of rock and roll.

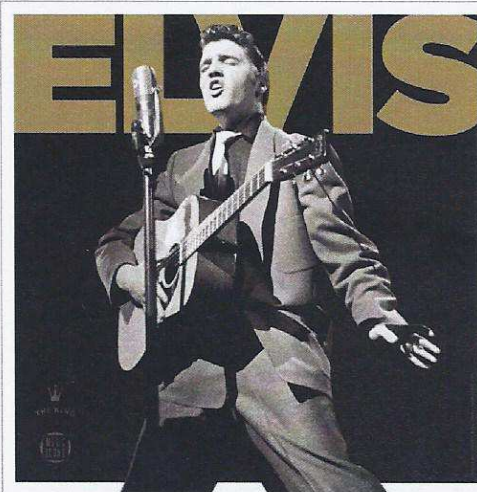
This stamp features a 1955 black-and-white photograph of Presley taken by William Speer. In the bottom left corner, between the words "Forever" and "USA", is a small gold crown, a nod to Presley's nickname, The King of Rock and Roll™. Presley's signature, in gold ink, is also featured along the right side.



The square stamp sheet resembles a vintage 45 rpm record sleeve. One side of the sheet includes the stamps and the image of a sliver of a record seeming to peek out of the top of the sleeve. The following text borders the block of stamps:

"During his illustrious career, rock-and-roll superstar Elvis Presley starred in dozens of feature films, won three Grammy Awards, and recorded 18 number one singles: Heartbreak Hotel, I Want You, I Need You, I Love You, Don't Be Cruel, Hound Dog, Love Me Tender, Too Much, All Shook Up, (Let Me Be Your) Teddy Bear, Jailhouse Rock, Don't, Hard Headed Woman, A Big Hunk O' Love, Stuck On You, It's Now Or Never, Are You Lonesome Tonight?, Surrender, Good Luck Charm, Suspicious Minds"

An image of Presley shot by photographer Alfred Wertheimer and the logo for the Music Icons series appear on the reverse side. Antonio Alcalá served as the art director and designed the stamp sheet with Leslie Badani.



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The Elvis Presley stamp is being issued as a Forever® stamp. This Forever stamp will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail® one-ounce price.

USPS press release June 25th:
U.S. Postal Service and Sweden Post to Jointly Issue Ingrid Bergman Stamp
Forever Stamp to be Dedicated Aug. 20 in Sweden

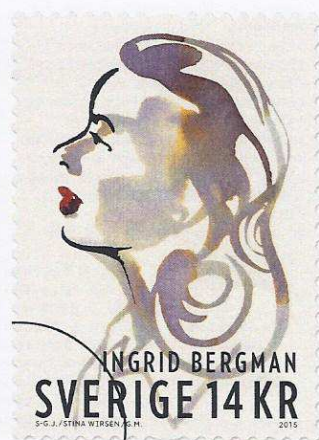
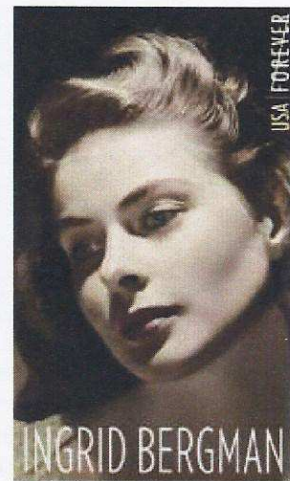
Ingrid Bergman WASHINGTON — The U.S. Postal Service and Posten AB of Sweden announced today that award-winning actress Ingrid Bergman will be honored as the 19th stamp in the Legends of Hollywood series.

The stamp will be issued jointly by the Postal Service and Sweden Post and go on sale Aug. 20. Special ceremonies will be held later.

The stamp art features a circa 1940 image of Bergman taken by Laszlo Willinger, known for his portraits of celebrities. Artist Kristen Monthei digitally colorized the image. Monthei also colorized the selvaige photograph, a still of Bergman from Casablanca. Art director Ethel Kessler designed the stamp pane.

Bergman lit up the silver screen for decades, starring in a variety of European and American films. She won three Academy Awards, two Emmy Awards, and the Tony Award for best actress. She is best remembered for her timeless portrayals of Ilsa Lund in Casablanca (1942); Paula Alquist in Gaslight (1944); Anna Koreff in Anastasia (1956); and Alicia Huberman in Notorious (1946).

Bergman joins Marilyn Monroe, Humphrey Bogart, Alfred Hitchcock, John Wayne, Judy Garland, Audrey Hepburn and Bette Davis, among many others, with a Legends of Hollywood stamp in her honor.



PostNord, Sweden's postal agency, is issuing two stamps honoring Bergman on August 20th.

ACE Monthly Cover-Making-Opportunity Section

Get in on the fun. Send your name to the editor before the 15th to meet the publication schedule. Your name will be deleted when you request removal from any list. As always, your participation in all, many or any activity sponsored by ACE is voluntary and at the discretion of individual members.

FDC Exchange List



Directions: Send at least one FDC per month. Arrangements should be made between listed members for a greater number of exchanges.

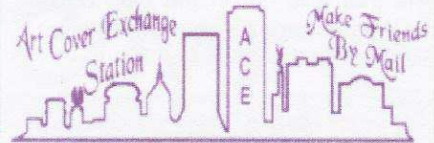
Tom Peluso	347
Dennis Gelvin	393
Dalene Thomas	421



Local Posts

If you like to make your own stamp labels this is the group for you. Local posts are a fun way of letting your imagination run wild.

Charlie Delgado	020
Darlene Altschul	052
Spencer Hudson	130
Thom Eggleston-Yousoupoff	242
Bob Fritz	349



Special Cancellations

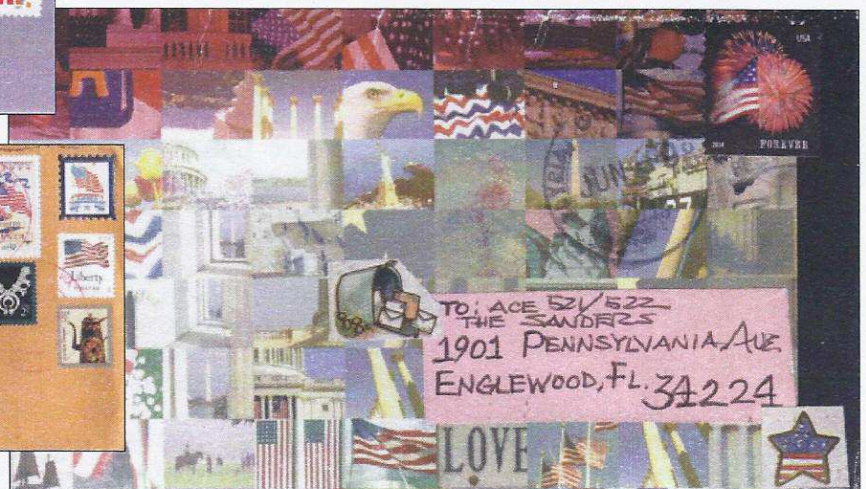
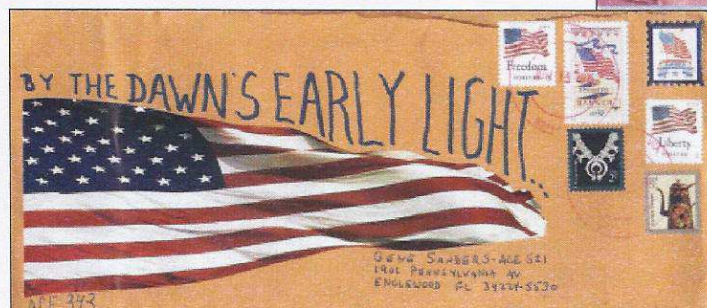
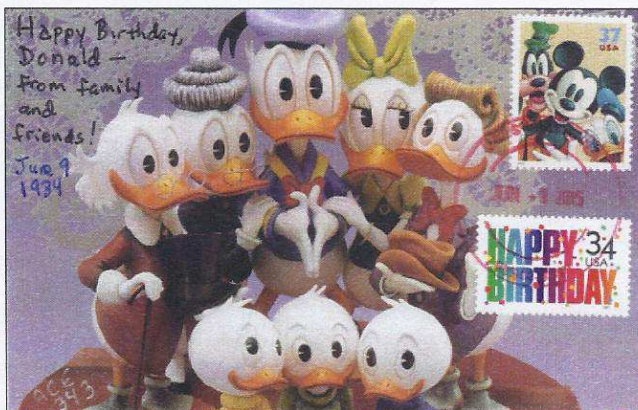
Directions: When someone sends a cover, the recipient returns a cover.

Why not address a cover to the above names and enter the exchange and add your name to the list.

Here are some scans of great covers we have received recently. **John Martin ACE 343** sent us a cover made from a page of a magazine celebrating Donald Duck's Birthday; and two large covers celebrating the Star Spangled Banner. **Marguerite Keen ACE 529** sent a great crab and lobster cover entitled Crustaceans which was a hand made cover with hand stamped images. **Charlie Delgado ACE 20** sent a cover he had hand made from pieces of a large image of a flag made up of patriotic photos. The entire image appeared on a 2005 calendar and this cover represented one 8 x 11 piece of it. Of course he used a Star Spangled Banner stamp.

Happy 4th of July!

Gene and Christine ACE's 521 & 522



Member Birthday Celebrations



If you do not see your birthday listed it means that it is not in the club database. If you send me your information I will enter it in the database.

AUG. BIRTHDAYS

2	Barb J. Tippery	506
3	Spencer Hudson	130
13	Dave Curtis	382
23	John V. Colasanti	534
25	Chris G. Kirk	001

SEPT. BIRTHDAYS

3	Christine Sanders	522
11	David Snyder	487
15	Ada Prill	357
20	Dana Jacobson	478
21	Charlie Delgado	020
21	John A. Cali	399
25	Kristen Hermann	536

For the ACE Record

Hi Joe,
Thanks for all you do for stamp people. I appreciate it, but I am 91 and it's time to remove my name from your list. God Bless you, **Clinton Brazie, ACE 261**.

Welcome New Member



536 Birthday SEP 25

Kristen Hermann

9 S. Stonington Dr.

Palatine IL 60074

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makikam73@aol.com

A mail artist new to ACE. Wants to learn about what we do and how we collect. Please send Kristen a warm ACE welcome.

Notes From the Officers



President

Dave Bombard ACE 475

Happy Summer everyone I hope everyone is having a good one. Congratulations to **Dalene Thomas ACE 421** for being the TARGET for GAD XXIX for 2015!

I have been thinking about covers. I know that there are not to many artist in our group, but that doesn't matter. All covers are a work off art! I know that I can not draw a lick but the computer is my crutch. I have gotten stickers or stick figures on covers before and the covers were very nice. I think the correspondence is just as good as art. So what I am trying to say is it does not matter what kind of cachet is made. They "ALL" are very nice. So all of you ACE members keep up the GOOD WORK.

Vice-President

David Snyder ACE 487

Congratulations to Charlie Delgado ACE 20, our 2014 Member of the Year and to Barb Tippery's 2014 Cover of the Year. At this time I also want to thank Joseph Doles ACE 121 and John Martin ACE 343 for the great articles and all their hard work a making our newsletter both interesting and informing for all members; new and old alike.

Finally I'd like to mention that it's time for the ACE Cover Auction. The information can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

Happ ACE'n

Secretary

John Martin ACE 343

Somewhere in Colorado there's a mail carrier who doesn't know what he or she will be in for around the first part of August.

That's because the two nominees for Great ACE Day Target both live in the Centennial State and one of them is going to reap a harvest of ACE covers, as members turn loose their creative skills to deluge the member who came in first in the recent voting.

In addition to sending as many covers as possible to the target, members are also urged to send one to every other ACer. So, no matter who

you are, you're likely to find more than the usual amount of covers in your mailbox!

Saturday, Aug. 1, is the day to mail those covers!

Treasurer & Editor

Joseph K. Doles ACE 121

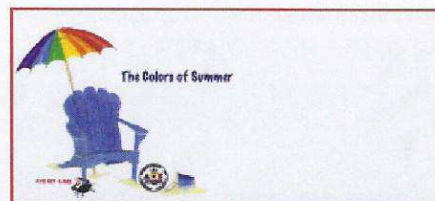
A personal thank you to ACers 152, 242 & 353 for \$\$ donations to ACE. Also thank you to 404 & 421 for their donations of postage stamps. All donations are made part of the permanent record.

Club treasury balance is \$2521.10.

To help grow the club's treasury please take a look at VP Snyder's announcement on page one of this issue. All proceeds will go to ACE.

As editor I would like to make a call for stories, bios or covers that you would like to see published in the newsletter. You can send a scan of the covers you like or send me the originals and I will scan them. If you scan them please do so at 300 dpi or at high resolution.

You should be watching for a cover to be nominated for Cover of the Year. Please send me the cover or a scan to be filed and saved for use after the first of the year.



Thank you to Gene and Christine Sanders for this months mailing cover.

Every ACE member is encouraged to send a warm ACE welcome to new members announced on this page, even in the case where a reply is not anticipated.



3½ inch iron-on, embroidered patches are still available.

Patches are \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5 postage paid.

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