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# From Cover to Cover

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## Marti Schrock rakes in GAD covers By John Martin Secretary

Marti Schrock, ACE 537, joined the Art Cover Exchange in September of 2015 and almost five years later she was voted as the 2020 Target for Great ACE Day covers.

As of the date of this article, Aug. 23, she had received 1,171 covers from her GAD friends Her first few GAD covers were from Don Mangus, ACE 16, and ACE 553 Kaylee Morris and her mother, Kim, ACE 563. Also, "Kaylee and Kim sent me the announcement postcard they received, knowing the one I received was different," said Marti.

The first three covers that came with an Aug. 1 post-mark showed up in her mailbox on Aug. 3 and the two biggest days quickly followed: 385 covers on Aug. 4 and 386 on Aug. 6.

"August 11 was my first day this month to receive ACE covers that were not for GAD," but along with them were 72 more covers that were indeed GAD!

On Aug. 13, 28 GAD covers rolled in, including one cover from a member she had not previously gotten one from, and it had an Aug. 1 postmark, so the USPS took about a dozen days to deliver that one!!

On Aug. 17, she received five more GAD covers from two ACErs.

All of those, plus covers that showed up on other days in the August, added up to the 1,171.

Marti discovered ACE online while she was looking for mail art sites. Her husband, Brad, said, "You should have done this years ago!"

Marti is the Executive Secretary for Student Development at Franklin College, her alma mater. Many have received covers from her with pictures of Little Free Library boxes she has discovered. "I love books and reading and am the daughter of a librarian," she said. "Brad and I saw a few Little Free Libraries in our travels, then started making a point to seek them out and document them. I think it's a fun series for ACE covers."

She said she and Brad each keep a bag of books in their vehicles to share in Little Free Libraries as often as they can. "Now that our daughter (Maddie) lives in a new city, we have a new crop of LFL to discover. Marti says she is currently reading "Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng for the Franklin College Alumni book club. "I am honored and humbled to be the Target," said Marti. "When I see the affection and effort my ACE friends have put into sending me so many colorful and fun covers, my heart is full. Believe me, I took notes and made a list of ideas so I can do a better job spoiling Targets in the future. I am grateful to Charlie Delgado, ACE 20, for nominating me.

"The big-senders were ACE 20 Charlie Delgado, ACE 343 John Martin, ACE 353, Phil Edwards (The Cover Monster), ACE 393 Dennis Gelvin, and ACErs 458 and 475, Star and David Bombard. Several people sent bundles of mail, including covers, FDC and postcards."

There were four candidates for Target this year, and all four did well in garnering votes. Marti topped out with 12 while Tricia Richmond, ACE 469, and Dana Jacobson, ACE 478 (ACE webmaster), each had 10, and David F. Evans, ACE 524, received six votes.



## **Art Cover Exchange**

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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 include a sample cover with your application.

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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	

ACE 481, Carl Miller, Jr. 1945-2020



Carl at a local stamp club luncheon at Christmas time a few years ago. Photo shared by Ada Prill, ACE 357.

Carl was a supporting member, newsletter only. He joined ACE at an ACE-fest in Hilton, NY in 2007. He collected many topics including Elvis, US flags and USS America ship covers. Carl served on the USS America during Vietnam. Carl was also a coin collector.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

Being a supporting member shares in the cost of printing and helps keep the cost of membership low for all members.



This cover from Dave Lemon, ACE 141 was sent to Joanne Trombley, ACE 505. Joanne said she had never seen anything like this before and wanted to share it with you.



This cover, above, is an original fdc for the International Peace Garden stamp issued in 1982. The maker signed it T. Claus and is rubber stamped on the back Watercolor Cachets, Hastings, NE. #69 of 100.

Darcy Richmond made it a duel issue fdc by sending it in for a cancel for the American Gardens issue of May, 2020.

## On the Mend



The above cover was from Barb Tippery, ACE 506. In mid July she was in an auto accident that totaled her car, broke her foot, her leg and two ribs. She was fighting pneumonia caused from the broken ribs. Among many other extended family problems she found the time and strength to send GAD covers. What a trooper!

Please send Barb a get well ACE cover.



This hand painted cover is the work of ACE president, Kristen Hermanny, ACE 536. Sent to David Evans, ACE 524. David sent a scan to share it with all the members.



Gene Falada, ACE 152 received the above cover from Phil Edwards, ACE 353. Canceled in Honolulu, HI. The circle postmark reads Personal Mail Center. The lower markings are not legible. The rubberstamp of the ship's badge ties the stamp to the cover.

USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG-108) is an Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer in the United States Navy. She is named after Rear Admiral Wayne E. Meyer, known as the "Father of Aegis". She carries the 100th AEGIS Weapon System to be delivered to the United States Navy.

## More new issues planned by U.S.P.S.



Planned is a double-sided pane of 20, which the Postal Service describes as a booklet, containing 10 new stamps for general use showing photographs of wintry scenes. Release date has not been available at this time.



Ted N. Tompkins, ACXE 338, used the selvage of The Muppets stamp sheet for a cachet, but the stamp within -- of Muppets crator Jim Hanson -- had already been removed. No problem for a mail artist! Ted just drew in his own silhouette of Henson.



This interesting fellow showed up on a cover illustrated by Marilyn Parker, ACE 526. Whoever he is, he likes flowers!



Don Mangus, ACE 16, put his talents to work on a light-house cover. Lighthouses seems to be a favorite topic for ACErs ...and both the cachets...and the stamps... come in many designs! The Postal Service canceled this one upside-down with a machine cancel.



Ardis Quuick, ACE 561, put a Seussian dragon on her cover and added a stamp of Dr. Seuss himself

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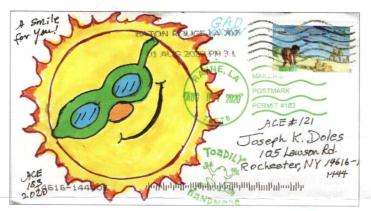
# GAD Covers by ACE Members



From Don Mangus, ACE 16



From Charlie Delgado, ACE 20.



From Cal Breaux, ACE 183



From John Martin, ACE 343.



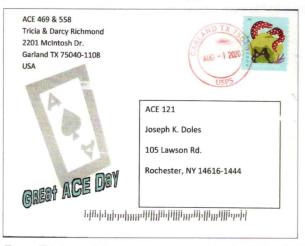
From Ada Prill, ACE 357



From Dave Curtis, ACE 382.



From Star and Dave Bombard, ACErs 458 & 475.

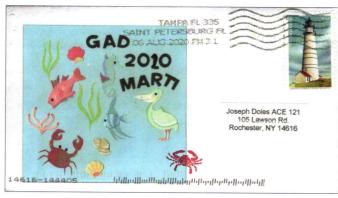


From Tricia and Darcy Richmond, ACErs 469 & 558.

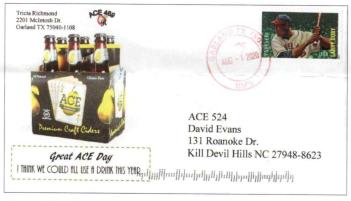
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From Dani Leviss, ACE 549.



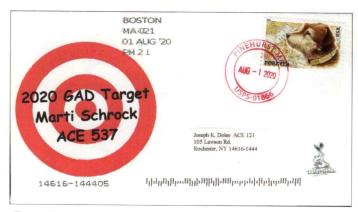
From Gene and Christine Sanders ACErs 521 & 522.



From Tricia Richmond, ACE 469.



From David Evans, ACE 524.



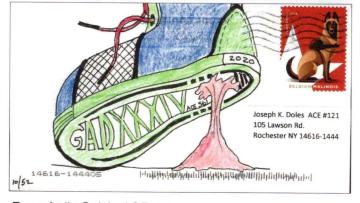
From Dana Jacobson, ACE 478.



From Kristen Hermanny, ACE 536.



From Joanne Trombley, ACE 505.



From Ardis Quick, ACE 561.

If you, the reader, have received any Great ACE Day covers that are not shown here and would like to show them off to the members in a future issue of this newsletter, please send them or scans of them to the editor. All covers received will be returned to their owners.

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### **ACE Train Covers**

Train covers are popular among ACErs. Many make a point of making and collecting them and even those who are not dyed-in-the-wood "railfans" still seem to appreciate them.

Charlie Delgado used up a lot of train stamps, issued over the years, for a couple of nice train covers recently.

Carolyn Marks, ACE 554, posted on facebook asking for ideas of what to draw. I suggested she draw the Santa Fe Railroad's "Super Chief." She happened to have a blank FDC with the Santa Fe stamp and used it to do this wonderful add-on. Then, she sent it to me!!

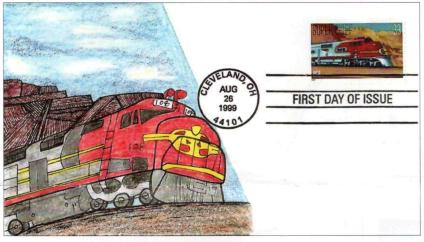
Dave Lemon's cover was not exactly a train, but it is at least a steam engine, one used for harvesting. This is a dual cover, in that Dave, ACE 141, reproduced the art from a cover originally sent to him by Charles (Chuck) Beery, ACE 394, who gets credited as co-creator.



Train collage by Charlie Delgado, ACE 20



Dave Lemon, ACE 141, gives new life to image by Charles Beery, ACE 394



Carolyn Marks, ACE 554, meets the Super Chief between L.A. and Chicago







Charlie Delgado, ACE 20,

## ACE Monthly Cover-Making-Opportunity Section

Get in on the fun. Send your name to the editor before the 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

Dennis Gelvin	393
Sandye Fakan	441
Tricia Richmond	469
Ray Younkins	531



## **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
Spencer Hudson	130
Thom Eggleston-Youssoupoff	242



#### **Special Cancellations**

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

Sandye Fakan	441
Tricia Richmond	469

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

## SEPTEMBER COVER IDEAS, BY DATE

- 1 -- 75th anniversary: U.S. received official word of Japan's formal surrender, ending World War II. In Japan, it was actually Sept. 2, 1945
- 2 -- 75th anniversary: Japan surrendered to the U.S. aboard the USS Missouri, ending World War II. The war ended six years and one day after it began. 1945
- 6 -- 400th anniversary: The Pilgrims left on the Mayflower from Plymouth, England to settle in the New World, 1620
- 6 -- 25th anniversary: Cal Ripken played his 2,131st consecutive game, setting a new record. Lou Gehrig previously held the record. 1995
- 7 -- 90th anniversary: The newspaper comic strip "Blondie" made its first appearance. 1930.
- 17 -- 100th anniversary: The American Professional Football Association was formed in Canton, Ohio. It was the precursor to the National Football League. 1920
- 18 -- 190th anniversary: The "Tom Thumb", the first locomotive built in America, raced a horse on a nine-mile course. The horse won when the locomotive had some mechanical difficulties. 1830
- 20 -- 25th anniversary: The U.S. House of Representatives voted to drop the national speed limit. This allowed the states to decide their own speed limits. 1995
- 21 -- 50th anniversary: "NFL Monday Night Football" made its debut on ABC-TV. The game was between the Cleveland Browns and the New York Jets. The Browns won 31-21. 1970
- 30 -- 85th anniversary:, "The Adventures of Dick Tracy" debuted on Mutual Radio Network. 1935
  More dates, see: www.on-this-day.com

USPS releases images of this years Christmas stamps. See more at link below. http://forums.delphiforums.com/stamps/messages?gid=2028032718





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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 into the database. EDITOR

#### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

02	Barb J. Tippery	506
03	Spencer Hudson	130
13	Dave Curtis	382
23	John Colasanti	534
25	Chris Kirk	001

#### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

03	<b>Christine Sanders</b>	522
04	Kaylee Morris	553
11	David Snyder	487
15	Ada Prill	357
20	Dana Jacobson	478
21	Charlie Delgado	020
21	John A. Cali	399
25	Kristen Hermanny	536

# Address Change Vice President

#### **ACE 339**

George M. Hill, 3rd. St Ann's Community, Room 828 1500 Portland Ave Rochester NY 14621

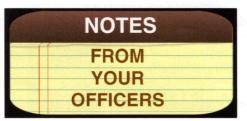
George wants you to know he survived the virus. He has moved to a sparkling newly renovated room at St. Ann's. The address changed and should be noted as 828.

"I have turned 95 and have moved up 2 hope its another record setting event . floors closer to heaven".

George wished the club continued success.

Best. King George's latest secretary,

guested to be put on Limited Status. Due to recent health issues he has not been able to keep up. He has enjoyed everything that he has received.



## **President** Kristen Hermanny ACE 536

Well Hi, ACE friends!

It's well known to Marti by now that she is the 2020 GAD target. It is such a fun honor to be the target. I got some mail from members I haven't exchanged with before, so it will be fun to possibly start something with those members. It is my 5th year in ACE. I still haven't gotten to every member. It is also still exciting to go to the mailbox every day. Thank you for any that you have sent my way through these past five years. I look forward to many more years to come.

I miss stamp shows. Does anyone else miss in person stamp ogling? What a silly thing to miss! I've been going through my collections and setting some aside for ACE friends collections. Take care, stay safe, and keep me posted!

# Charlie Delgado ACE 20

Whoot, whoot, we have a winner, and new member in the ACE GAD TAR-GET CLUB. Yes, ACE 537 Marti Schrock was chosen to be the target in our annual GAD mail celebration. As I type this, mail from members is still trickling into my mailbox, and I'm sure she is getting way more. I did my part in the " mail barrage", as Ken Jenkins called it. It will be interesting to see how many she ends up with. I THANKS TO ALL ACE MEMBERS THAT SENT ME A COVER FOR THIS ANNUAL EVENT, I HOPE TO BE STILL AROUND NEXT YEAR FOR NUMBER 35! Yep we have made philatelic history I bet, or at least set some sort of record in the "pen-pal" world! Ha Ha! Maybe I'll Gene Falada, ACE 152 has re- contact those Guinness people to see, ha ha!

> So, GAD is over, and what do I do now, when time allows between lawn mowing and golf games with my

friends, I guess I'll start sorting covers and such for the Fall Club Auction. I've gotten a few donations to sort through, and there some leftovers to try and get rid of, maybe, with a little bit of luck. SO, IF YOU WOULD WANT THE INFO SHEET ON THIS FUTURE AUCTION, SEND ME A SELF ADDRESSED, STAMPED EN-VELOPE, a #10 SIZE!

Yep, August is a sign Summer is over, and school starts soon for a few ACE members, as students. workers. The weather changes soon, so enjoy these last warm/hot days. We'll be putting on those light jackets or hooded sweaters soon!

The Covid problem is still causing major stamp show cancellations, sad to say, ACE members here in Elyria, Ohio won't get to several shows as in years past. Maybe next year somehow things will be better. Until then, stay safe, wear a mask, and keep praying for us all!

### Secretary John Martin ACE 343

Another GAD has come and gone. It's always a lot of fun to surprise the Target and then find out how many covers were sent his or her way. And, of course, it was a her this year so, once again, congratulations to Marti Schrock, ACE 537. I had the pleasure of meeting Marti and her husband Brad at the ACE Fest in 2019 at the Hermanny home and they're very nice people, as you might imagine.

GAD is the "Happy New Year" of ACE and one of the things I like about it is that it gives us a "clean slate." Although I have good intentions, I inevitably get behind on aCE replies and I also get confused. I've tried keeping good records on covers received and sent but I always manage to mess up the record keeping too. So, when the Great ACE Day arrives. I know for sure I have sent a cover to at least all of those who I've exchanged with during the past year. So, in that sense, I'm "caught up" and can hope to keep caught up with future exchanges.

I guess that means I'd better get busy and start sending out some covers!!!