

# PERRYSCOPE

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE  
GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB

FIRST THURSDAY each month at the DOUBLETREE HOTEL - 6200 Quarry Lane - INDEPENDENCE, at 7:00 PM

## We Have Made Changes

Over the past year or so, at the Garfield-Perry meetings we have heard a lot that we need to make changes. The Trustees listened and changes are now being made. The first big change, thanks to Roger Rhoads, is the publishing of the *Perryscope*. We have been without the newsletter for several years. It will now become a bi-monthly publication. Rog, thanks for taking on this project. The next big change was that of a new location. After looking at numerous areas, it was decided that the Independence area was perhaps the most centrally located for most members.

Next question, where? Locations were checked out, keeping cost in mind, and it was decided that the **Doubletree Hotel** (formerly the Hilton Hotel), along with Shula's Steak House as the restaurant, was the place that we could afford and would be able to fit our needs.

After a visit by Club members and officers, a vote was taken to change our location to the Doubletree. The first meeting will be held at this new location on Thursday, September 4 at 7:00. All meetings thereafter will be at the Doubletree the first Thursday of every month. See map and directions on the last page

In the last issue of the *Perryscope*, it was stated we would hold our meetings at Shula's restaurant. That is not entirely correct. For those wishing to dine before attending the meeting, we will have a table reserved at Shula's for dinner at 6:00. Dinner is on your own. Join us for good fellowship and food.

The meeting will start promptly at 7:00 PM, but will be held in one of the small ball-

rooms (this is the large ballroom partitioned off to a smaller room to accommodate us). The meeting will be listed on the "Events" board as you walk into the hotel lobby. It will also be listed on the TV monitors. You will also find our name on the door to the meeting room. If you still cannot find the room, just ask at the front desk, and they will be happy to direct you. Incidentally, the room is located on the first floor. For those of you who have difficulty walking, you can park at the rear of the building, come in the rear door marked "Ballroom" and be steps away from our meeting room.

Last but not least, the **March Party** will be held March 27-29, 2009. The location will remain the same at the Masonic Temple on Euclid Ave. However, on July 31 the Trustees visited the **Wyndam Hotel** at 13<sup>th</sup> and Euclid. Hans Pohler and Roger Rhoads later met with Wyndham personnel, and assuming they agree with contract provisions, this will be our March Party **Headquarters Hotel**. The Friday **Wine and Cheese Party** as well as the **Hospitality Suite** would be at the Wyndam. The banquet would still be held at the **Café Sausalito**. One distinct advantage in addition to its recent remodeling is this hotel's location is that it's on Euclid Ave. just a few blocks from the Masonic with excellent public bus service along the just opened Euclid Corridor.

I think you will agree big changes have been made which will benefit the Club. Now it's up to **YOU**, the members, to show your support by attending the meetings.

Kurt Laubinger, Trustee

### **Next Meeting**

It's Thursday, Nov. 6 at the Doubletree Hotel in Independence as it has been for the past two months.

We are inviting all of the Northeast Ohio stamp clubs to join us, so we are planning for a good crowd. As host club, we are asking all GP members to bring a door prize to share with our brother collectors.

### **Closed Album**

#### **Thomas F. Sheehan – Obituary**

Mr. Sheehan died July 1, 2008. Born March 8, 1927 in Cleveland Heights, he had lived there before moving to Mentor 12 years ago.



He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, was a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree member of the Knights of Columbus No. 3087, in Cleveland Heights, and a longtime member of the Euclid Stamp Club. He was a stamp collector and former stamp dealer. He was also a member of St. John Vianney Church and a 40-year member of Alcoholics Anonymous. His home group was Eastlake Thursday.

Mr. Sheehan retired from Preferred Leasing.

Survivors are his wife of 55 years, Mary (nee Gregory) Sheehan, children, Gregory Sheehan and Patrick (Patti) Sheehan; grandchildren, Michael and Brian Sheehan and Christopher and Timothy Sheehan; great-grandchildren, Sabina and Kamren Sheehan; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Neal and Mary J. Sheehan; and brother, John Sheehan. Burial was in Mentor Cemetery.

Mary's comments to the editor included in part, "He loved his stamps, and we enjoyed

many years being in the Garfield-Perry Stamp Show."

Condolences can be sent to his widow Mary at 6400 Center St, Apt C107, Mentor Ohio, 44060 or tomcat3827@sbcglobal.net.

### **Club Chit Chat**

Member Ken Nilsestuen received a Gold and the Grand Award at NAPEX. Congrats!

Members Roger Rhoads and Rocco Caponi have been traveling overseas this summer. Roger Reports he enjoyed his trip to Scotland especially the scotch and in spite of the cold and wet weather. Rocco is sure to enjoy his trip visiting relatives in Italy.

Visiting Firemen of Philately – Hose Company No. 1 will hold their annual meeting on Saturday, September 6, at the home of Ken Nilsestuen in Akron. For information on joining this "prestigious" group, please contact Kurt Laubinger at laubinger9@aol.com or by calling him at (330) 467-6553. The whole point is to have FUN.

A special thanks to member Kurt Laubinger's wife, Mary Lou, for not only computerizing the Garfield-Perry roster by for typing this copy composed by Kurt. And thanks to Kurt for providing the copy and the new masthead.

Future meeting dates:

- Thursday, September 4
- Thursday, October 2
- Thursday, November 6

Got new member news? Let us know at rrrhoads@aol.com.

### **We Get Letters**

The Club recently received a letter from a gentleman in Germany by the name of Udo Scholz. Mr. Scholz collects U.S. plate blocks, coils and booklets in mint, NH condition. He would like to swap mint NH German stamps for mint U.S. stamps. If interested, contact him at: Pfaffengasse 1, D-99734 Nordhausen, Germany.

Incidentally, Mr. Scholz found us by going to the Garfield-Perry website that will be undergoing a major facelift in the near future. Stay tuned.

### Judges for 2009 March Party

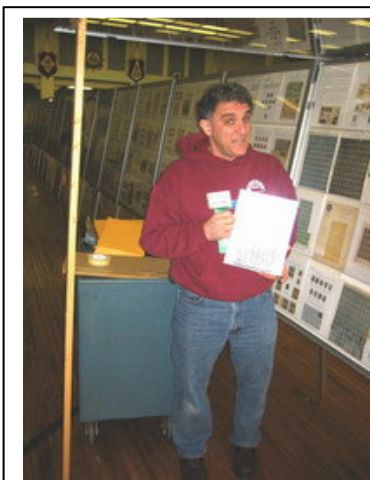
Ken Nilsestuen has agreed to chair the Judges Committee and has selected a superior panel for the coming year. They come from the four points of the compass, and all have agreed to be with us. We are proud to have such a select group.

- James Mazepa, Chief Judge, Florida
- Doug Clark, Massachusetts
- Thomas Mazza, New York
- Martin Richardson, Michigan
- Patricia Walker, Maryland
- Santiago Cruz, Apprentice, Columbia, South America

And we are proud to announce we will be host to the annual meetings of the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society and the Carriers and Locals Society.

### Moments from the 2008 March Party

Rocco Caponi  
Putting Up the  
Exhibits



Howard Chapman  
and our guest  
society



### Next Meetings

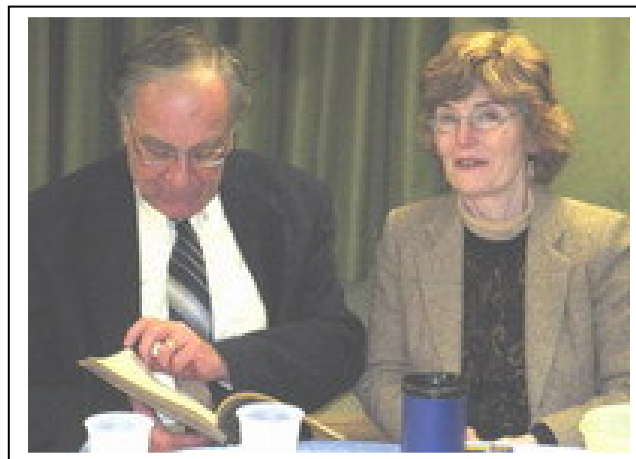
Dave Wessely has announced that for the **September** meeting Dave will present "Monarchs of Great Britain as displayed on the covers of Bechuanaland: Queen Victoria, King Edward VII, King George V, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth". Dave has some most unusual philatelic materials, and for those of you who do not know, Dave spent several years in that country prior to starting his collection.

Furthermore, the Trustees will provide philatelic door prizes for a drawing. Join us for dinner at 6:00 PM ahead of the meeting!

The **October** meeting will feature Clint Many on "The Mols of the Belgian Congo". Again, door prizes for attendees as supplied by the Trustees. This is a MOST unusual area of Specialization. Come join us and learn something you never knew about this corner of collecting.



Our Judges at Work



Hans and Gloria Pohler at the Banquet