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Good morning and HaPpy New Year one and all Asheville Stamp Club members and small pieces of paper with wiggly edges aficionados! My apology right from the beginning is that my usual shipment of humor from Canada has been delayed as Canada Post struggles to deliver their backlog of letters after the recent strike. The mediators gave up trying to resolve the dispute because they thought it was hopeless resulting in the government (finally) legislating them back to work. My personal tragedy is that my letter to Santa did not arrive in time (The north pole is in Canada you know) and I didn't receive my Ferrari (OR MY INVERTED JENNY! having to settle for new tires on my Miata. Oh well. I'll just have to grab my 'big boy' tongs and enjoy my British Commonwealth stamps as best I can.

This upcoming Sunday, January 19 at the Deerfield Community Centre we will look forward to Dick Hall's concluding presentation on 'Pro Juventutes ... not just stamps'. We will of course have our wonderful usual list of ASC features: Famous five cent stamps (new ones every month), the free table, Scott catalogs, door prizes, 50/50 draw, our now monthly auction (bring your auction lots!), Show and Tell and the priceless opportunity to get together with all your philatelic friends.

As you may remember, a great article on the secrets to a successful stamp club appeared in the American Stamp Collector and Dealer magazine. You are receiving a copy of this article as part of this Gazette. If you get a chance before Sunday have a look at it and imagineer an idea or two on how to make our club even better than it already is. We'll have a brief discussion on this at the meeting and very soon a ZOOM gathering for those who are able to attend to share dreams, ideas, complaints and visions of how we can grow and thrive into the future.

Bring your auction lots to the meeting and upload any small mailable lots to the online auction link if you would like.

And fellow members appreciate it when you bring contributions of supplies and anything else philatelic for the free table. Who knows? You might find something you've been looking for yourself!

So, without further ado:

Here is the upload link for Show and Tell:

[https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionSQL/ASC\\_ShowTell.php?operation=insert](https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionSQL/ASC_ShowTell.php?operation=insert)

The online auction upload link:

[https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionSQL/Auction\\_ASC\\_Entry.php?operation=insert](https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionSQL/Auction_ASC_Entry.php?operation=insert)

The auction catalog link is:

[https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionFiles/Cat\\_ASC.aspx](https://stampsmarter.org/AuctionFiles/Cat_ASC.aspx)

The Zoom link for those attending online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83146651092>

The stamp club website is:

<http://ashevillestampclub.org>

And don't forget Stampsmarter!

<https://stampsmarter.org>

Sunday will be a great way to start off our philatelic New Year!

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