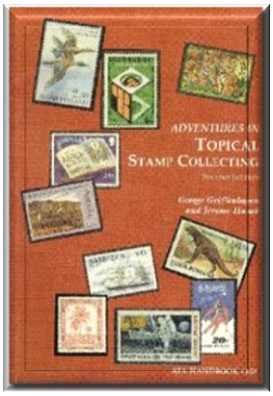

Summer Seminar 2018

Topical Collecting 101

A 2-Day Course Presented by *Jack Andre Denys*

Monday, June 25 – Tuesday, June 26, 2018

Step into the exciting world of topical collecting! Discover how to choose a topic, conduct research, develop a want list, and obtain elements for a new collecting area.

Course Description:

Spend two fun-filled days exploring the fundamentals of topical collecting. Elements to be addressed include: defining and describing topical collecting, the history of this collecting area, steps for beginning a collection, and available resources. Be sure not to miss the discussions on collecting "beyond the catalog" and on the similarities and differences between topical and thematic collecting. Additionally, tips for acquiring, organizing, and indexing items, as well as recommendations for storing a topical collection will be shared,

Experience the fun and freedom that topical collecting has to offer and leave with the knowledge needed to build your own topical collection!

Intended Audience (who should attend):

- New and beginning collectors
- Seasoned philatelists seeking a new and different challenge

To get the most out of this course, participants should be able to:

- Use a *Scott Catalogue*

Participants will need to bring:

- Curiosity about topical collecting
- Willingness to try something new - and fun and stimulating

***Meet Jack Andre Denys, Instructor for* Topical Collecting 101**

Jack Denys is past president of the American Topical Association and recipient of the ATA's Distinguished Topical Philatelist award. His primary thematic exhibit has won ten gold (and in 2017 one large gold) WSP medals, including the grand and reserve grand at the National Topical Stamp Show. In international competition it has won three vermeil awards. He is a prolific philatelic writer and has been mentor to many new topical collectors. He welcomes your questions and stories.