

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

With this letter I bid you all farewell!! As I had said at elections this year I would keep the office if no one else could be found, but it was definitely up for grabs and the last time – many reasons – age 86 – on O2 so incontinent to travel – redid my butterfly collection from systematic to country and it was no fun and I ceased collecting.

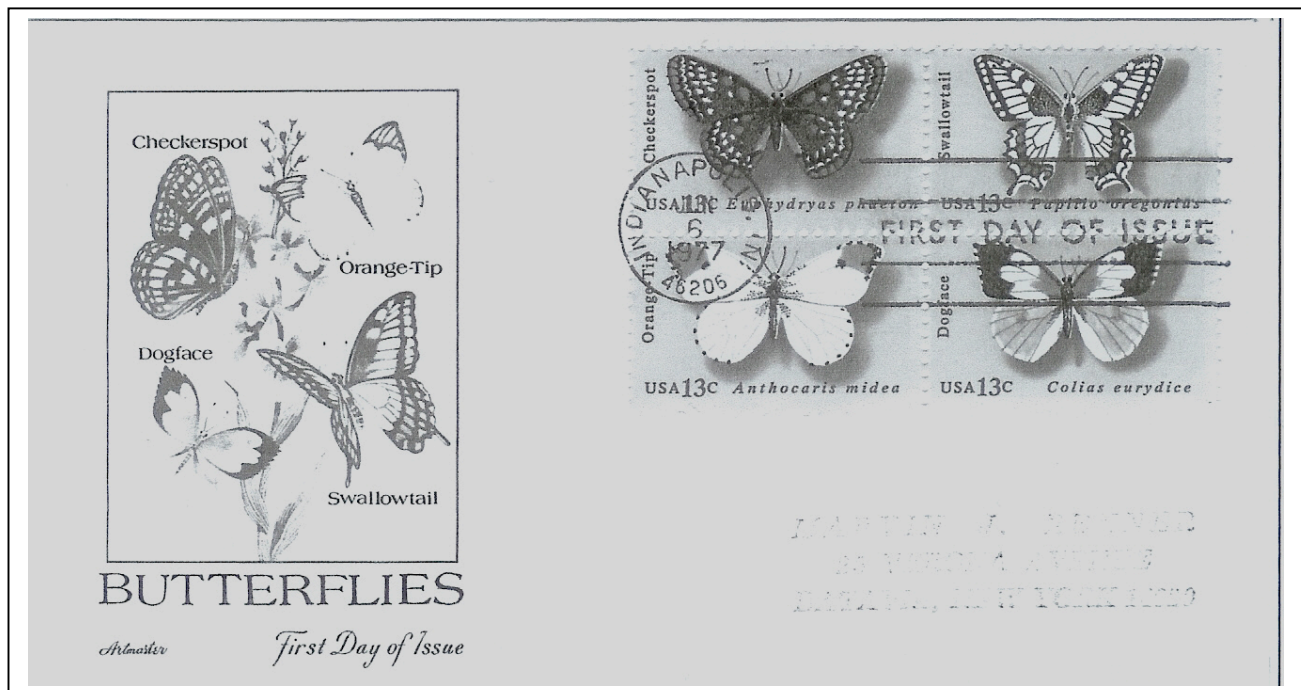
Alan Hanks has left as a director on the ATA board so felt he has time on his hands. The Biology Unit will be in much more capable hands (not really he's been running it anyway) and now he'll have to find more to say in his combined letter to members.

I did attend the National Topical Stamp Show last week in Denver it was a good show, but I missed seeing a number of members who have made previous shows. The President's reception was held in the Philatelic Library of the Denver Unit. They just purchased the building next door to enlarge their space. Impressive—they have been busy building shelves, painting, moving books and general fix up. Their one meeting room was large enough for 50 of us to have a sit down dinner!

The twins at 1½ years are getting minds of their own and letting you know. I have a new friend, Kenya, a Springer Spaniel who belonged to the twin's family along with another dog. The dogs were getting to be in too many dog fights and with the twins walking they were afraid everyone would get into the middle of the fight. I managed to spoil her rotten in 2 weeks. Southwest Colorado weather jumps from hot to delightful but dry.

I shall miss you and wish you and the Unit the best.

Fran



Fran's Favorite Things!