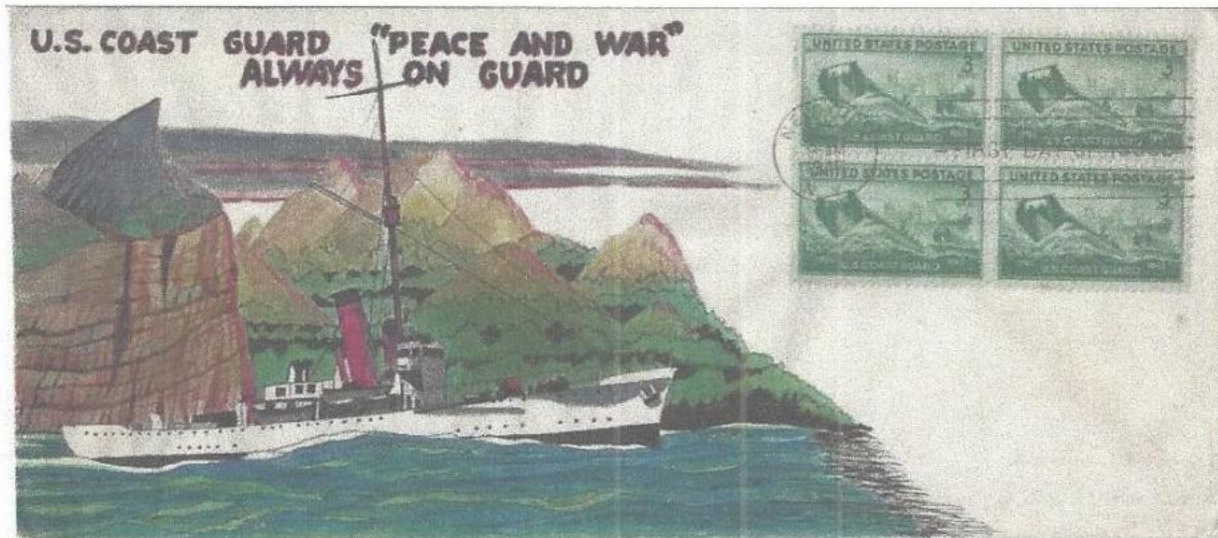


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August 4, 2020 U. S. Coast Guard Day.

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MY FAVORITE Coast Guard COVER - Happy Birthday USCG

Since my computer is being held hostage by the Geek Squad at my local Best Buy store, I have no access to my word files, thus different look for the "Newseyletter".

I have nearly caught up with all the event covers that have gone astray in the bowls of the USPS. The fine folks at the Cancellations Division of the USPS in Kansas City NO are trying to get a resolution from the post office in Norfolk VA to have all the covers submitted in the last year returned processed. I believe I have seven events hibernating there. Thank you, Mrs. Wiegel.

So, with all the work and stress involved in planning, execution of designs with Wolfgang Hechler and the paperwork involved just to request a pictorial, it has at times felt like a fall time job (sometimes feels like pushing a huge rock uphill). When the requests go unanswered, and then appear in the Postal Bulletin, you would think that the cancel was approved. Not so with two events we sponsored. Covers are out for both events, and neither post office will acknowledge that they know anything about the pictorials or know where collectors' covers are.

With all this in mind, and even though I know many of you enjoyed sending for the pictorials, I have made a decision not continue to submit requests for pictorials in 2021. It is just too much work and it is tiring me out. If someone wants to step up and take on this important job, I can be hands on in guiding you in the process. If you get stressed out you are on your own.

Rich Hoffner, Gold Member

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