



Denver Postcard Club



ALOHA FROM TOM & CAROL, AND...THE
OOZLEFINCH

SEPTEMBER 2025

Over the summer, club members Tom & Carol P. visited the Fort DeRussy Army Museum in Hawaii.

They kindly mailed us a postcard showcasing a AH-1S Cobra that served in all peacekeeping operations. See below:

[The Fort DeRussy Army Museum website](#) is packed with military education, articles and newsletters - including an article by Mark A. Berhow highlighting the mythical mascot of the Coast Artillery Corps: the Oozlefinch.

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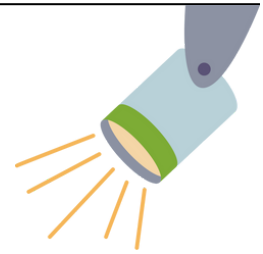


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Sept Speaker Spotlight: Steve Nadler

Topic: Colorado Tourist Cancellations



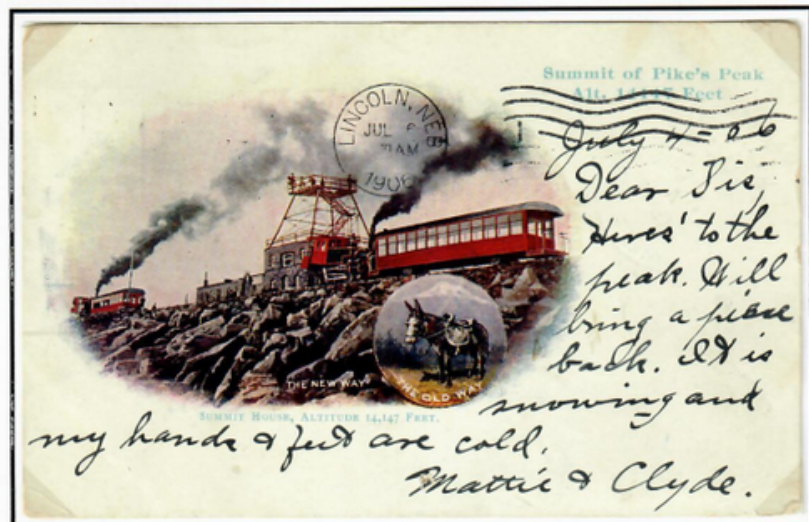
These cancellations, cachets, and/or auxiliary markings come from places that are, or were, tourist attractions or resorts and most frequently appeared on post cards sent as souvenirs of a trip. Some markings may have been applied by the proprietors of the tourist attraction and did not pass through the mail system, many have a proper cancellation from a nearby town with we can date the tourist cancel.

See below samples of cancellations that will Steve will discuss on Sept 14.

Pike's Peak - Summit



1906



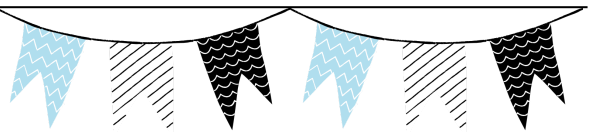
Picnic Collage - August 2025



Our annual DPCC summer picnic was a great success! Special thanks to Beth T., Debbie S., and Jenny S. for coordinating the food, decorations, and room set up.

And - thank you to all of you who participated and brought food or drinks to share.





Denver Show

September 5 - 14, 2025
9am - 6pm Daily



Gigantic
10 Day Event

Minerals,
Fossils,
Gems &
Jewelry



Show and Tell Topics

Bring a postcard from your collection or find one in the club's boxes that includes the designated monthly topic.

This is optional; if you bring a card there will be time to share it at the meeting.

Sept: Crowns



Genealogical Society

The Foothills Genealogical Society is celebrating 45 years of research. They host various presentations including some spooky-themed ones including:

Colorado Ghost Towns, 10/8
Colorado Cemeteries, 12/10

Take a look at [their website here](#), membership is open for 2026!



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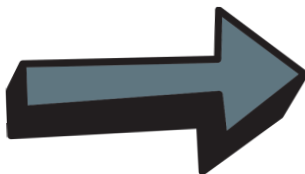
The Oozlefinch is a legendary, mythical bird that served as the unofficial mascot of the U.S. Army Coast Artillery Corps, beginning in 1905 at Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Described as a large-eyed, featherless bird that flies backward to avoid dust, it symbolized the perceived obsolescence of the Corps, which was tasked with defending against sea-borne invasion that was considered unlikely. The Oozlefinch's story continued with its association with air defense and missilemen after the Coast Artillery Corps was inactivated.

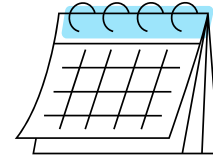
[According to Berhow](#), "The Oozlefinch was a part what made up the distinctive "esprit" of the Coast Artillery Corps. Its story was spread by the close-knit group of officers who served in the Corps through conversation, letters, and most importantly for us latter day historians, military newspapers and professional journals."

E. R. Tilton, a Quartermaster Corps officer at Fort Monroe, was part of the group that created the Oozlefinch story. His account of the bird's origins and its link to the notorious "Gridiron Club" remains an entertaining read.

Bonus: Does anyone in the club have this exclusive OOZLEFINCH postcard displayed on the right?



Club Calendar - Plan Ahead!



OCTOBER

- 10/12 - Club Meeting

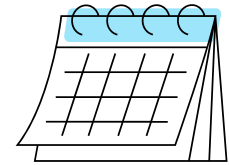
NOVEMBER

- 11/9 - Club Meeting

DECEMBER

- TBD - Holiday Party

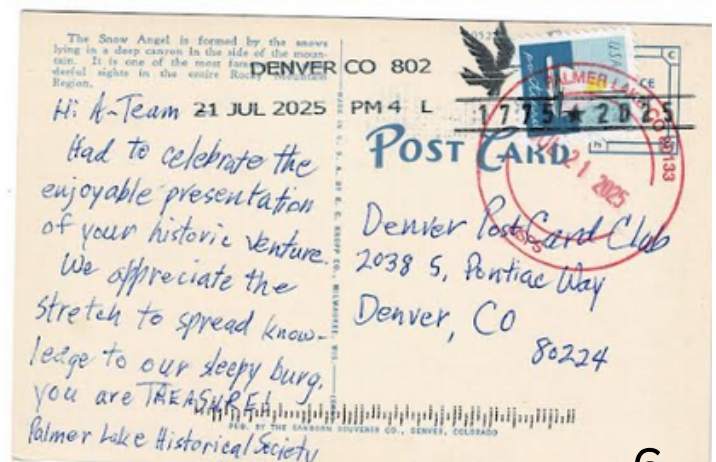
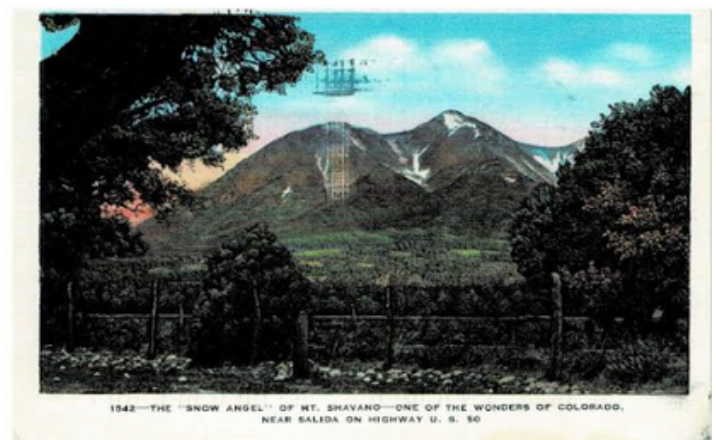
Palmer Lake Historical Society Recap



Club President Liz F. represented DPCC at the "Power of Print" expo event located in Palmer Lake, CO. There were various booths and presentations related to postcards, printing press demonstrations, and the evolution of the camera and film developing techniques.

The club received a kind thank you postcard from the Palmer Lake Historical Society; we're happy to participate and share the love of postcards with new audience members.

'Thank you' to everyone who helped arrange the Colorado-themed postcard packets (Beryl, Beth, Debbie, and Jenny). Everyone who visited the DPCC booth loved those packets!



Summer 2025 Treasurer's Report



Thank you for preparing the Treasurer's Report Beth T., Jenny S., and Charles T. Please review below.

DENVER POSTCARD CLUB		SUMMER 2025 (JULY/AUGUST)	
MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT 2025			
STARTING CHECKING BALANCE - JULY 1, 2025		\$10,924.40	
INCOME			
Membership Dues	\$223.00		
Sales of Club Postcards	\$0.00		
Donations for Children Project	\$2.00		
TOTAL INCOME		\$225.00	
EXPENSES			
Newsletter printing for Postcard Shows/Events	\$152.40		
Postage stamps - postcard forever (2 rolls), sheets of letter stamps	\$143.75		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$296.15	
ENDING CHECKING BALANCE - AUGUST 31, 2025		\$10,853.25	
STARTING SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE 7/1/2025		\$1,433.64	
	INTEREST	\$0.02	
ENDING SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE 8/31/2025		\$1,433.66	
TOTAL CASH ASSETS			\$12,286.91
Prepared by Beth Tallmadge 8/31/2025			

Club Contact Information



**2025
Officers**

Liz Franco, President

Deb Simpson, Vice President

Shad Daly, Secretary

Jennifer Simpson, Treasurer

Charles Twomey, Assisting Treasurer

Beth Tallmadge, Membership Chair



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Thank you for reading! See you soon.



Denver Postcard Club Membership Form 2025

denverpostcardclub@gmail.com

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Mail or deliver completed form with payment to: Beth Tallmadge, DPCC Membership Chair 12561 W Alameda Dr Lakewood, CO 80228-2816

Or bring this form to a Postcard Club monthly meeting (second Sundays at 1pm) at:

Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library (meeting room building)

2048 S Pontiac Way

Denver, CO 80224

Membership includes newsletters, access to club cards for purchase, informative discussions and presentations at meetings, and social events. Family membership members must live at the same address.

Payment methods are **Check or Cash only**. No credit card or app payments.

Make checks payable to **DENVER POSTCARD CLUB**.

Today's Date:		
Name(s):		
Street Address:		
City:		
State:		
Zip:		
	Family Member 1	Family Member 2
Phone (cell/home):		
Email:		
Postcard Topics I like:		

Regular Annual Membership Dues (check one):

Individual - \$15		Family - \$20	
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OPTIONAL Prepaid Lifetime Membership Dues Rates (to avoid annual renewal dues):

Age Range Oldest Member (as of Jan 1)	Under 60		60 – 74		Over 74	
Individual	\$250		\$195		\$60	
Family	\$335		\$260		\$80	

Half Year Dues (First Year New Members **joining after June 30** only) Check one:

Individual - \$8		Family - \$11	
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Supplemental donation for Children's Project work**	\$
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** Denver Postcard Club is classified as a charitable organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations in excess of membership dues may be tax deductible for certain taxpayers. You will receive a confirmation letter for your donation.

Date Paid:		Check # or Cash:	
NEW/RENEWAL			