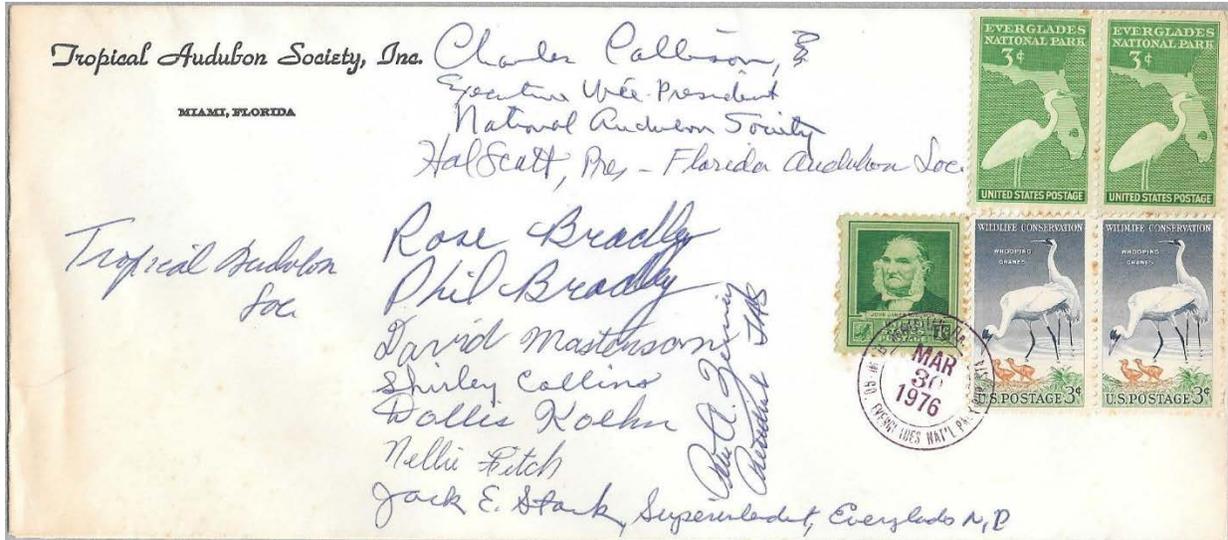


# GUY BRADLEY MEMORIAL

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Florida dedication covers extend beyond airports and post offices. With the example shown, we are presented a cover with the corner card for the Tropical Audubon Society, Inc., Miami, Florida. The hand stamp cancellation is a double circle with Everglades National Park Ranger Station, Flamingo, and Homestead, Florida within the circles. The date March 30, 1976 completes the cancellation information. The stamps represent The Everglades National Park, Wildlife Conservation, and John J. Audubon. The signatures are of distinguished officers from various branches of the Audubon Society, as well as the National Park Superintendent. The occasion? The dedication of the Guy Bradley Memorial plaque at the Flamingo Visitors Center in Everglades National Park (ENP). Who was Guy Bradley and why is he memorialized in the park?



**Guy Morrell Bradley** (April 25, 1870 – July 8, 1905) was a game warden and deputy sheriff for Monroe County, Florida. Born in Chicago, Illinois, he relocated to Florida with his family when he was young. As a boy, he served as guide to visiting fishermen and plume hunters, although he later denounced poaching. Bradley was hired by the American Ornithologists' Union, at the request of the Florida Audubon Society, to become one of this country's first game wardens. His primary responsibility was protecting the area's plume birds from hunters. He patrolled the area stretching from Florida's west coast, through the Everglades, to Key West. He was the only game warden enforcing the ban on bird hunting. Bradley was shot and killed in the line of duty, after confronting a man and his two sons who were hunting plume birds. His much-publicized death rallied conservationists -- thus serving as an inspiration for future legislation to protect Florida's bird populations. Several national awards and places have been named in his honor.

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**American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (AAPE) to Publish First US Exhibiting Book Since 1988**

***Book to be released at NY2016 World Stamp Show***

*The Path to Gold: 175 Proven Stamp Exhibiting Tips* by Steven Zwillinger is to be published by the AAPE. A release ceremony and book signing is scheduled for 11 AM on Thursday June 2 at the Javits Convention Center in New York City, venue for NY2016 World Stamp Show.

The 200 page book has eight chapters and over 300 color illustrations, and is the first new exhibiting book in the US since the *The Philatelic Exhibitors Handbook* published in 1995, now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. *Path to Gold* contains a fascinating array of proven exhibiting and presentation methods that take into consideration all aspects of contemporary exhibiting with numerous examples from Grand Award winning exhibits, along with examples of many pitfalls that exhibitors will want to avoid.

AAPE President Patricia Stilwell Walker said “This book will serve as a textbook for the exhibiting community. Steve Zwillinger is one of the talented philatelic writers in America and this book on the art and techniques of competitive philatelic exhibiting will help current exhibitors improve their exhibits as well as help beginners take the first steps to become an exhibitor.”

The book is drawn from Zwillinger’s six years of monthly columns on exhibiting in *The American Stamp Dealer and Collector*, his quarterly columns in the AAPE journal *The Philatelic Exhibitor*, and those in *WE Expressions*, the publication of WE-Women Exhibitors. The book will be available in softcover, hardcover and a contemplated deluxe edition. Ordering information will be available before the book’s release.

Also at NY2016 World Stamp Show, Steven Zwillinger and Randy L. Neil will present a seminar at 11 AM on Friday June 3, “*How - & How Not - to Write a Book Successfully.*” Neil is the author of the *The Philatelic Exhibitors Handbook*, and is editor and designer of the new *Path to Gold* book.

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Steven Zwillinger is a prominent philatelist and philatelic writer who has exhibited with great success at national and international stamp shows. He is on the Board of the American Philatelic Society, serves concurrently as a Trustee of the American Philatelic Research Library, and coordinates educational seminars for AAPE.

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