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The Hidden Secrets of the 2 and 3 Cent Large Bank Note Stamps of 1870 - 1894

by Charlie Freise

This is the second installment of an article that appeared in the November - December 2023 issue of *Scribblings*. The first article featured the 1¢ Large Bank Note stamps of 1870 - 1894. This article focuses on the 2¢ and 3¢ Large Bank Note stamps (*figure 1*).



figure 1 - left to right:

- 2¢ Andrew Jackson, Scott #146
- 2¢ George Washington, Scott #213
- 3¢ George Washington, Scott #158

The Library is an excellent resource for information on all aspects of philately. Not only does the Library have an extensive collection of publications and periodicals, but there is also an invaluable and irreplaceable pool of institutional and historical knowledge found in its members. While researching any subject do not neglect the folks gathered in the Library, you will be amazed how helpful everyone is. Jack Van Ens is a valuable resource for information on the Bank Note stamps. Jack is frequently at the Library on Monday morning and may be able to answer your questions.

It is important to bear in mind an individual cannot absorb all the information available on this series of stamps in a few months. Collectors have been researching and writing about these popular stamps for more than 100 years. The basic history behind the development of the Large Bank Note stamps is provided on the following pages.

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A basic membership with the RMPL is \$25 per year includes book checkout privileges and six issues of *Scribblings*. Call for more information.

Officers and Directors may be contacted through the RMPL.

From the Desk of the President -

by Tonny Van Loij



By the time you read this issue our last auction of the year will be finished. Special recognition goes out to Paul, Gary, Eddie, and the group of volunteers who worked countless hours ensuring the auction was successful.

I promised I would provide the results from my trip to Estonia. I won a large vermeil award but a recent email from the commissioner advised this was overturned and a gold medal was awarded. I have been invited to exhibit in Uruguay early next year and in South Korea in September 2025.

The Library continues to receive donations from many individuals. Whether the material makes its way into an auction or the sales books, every donation is appreciated and becomes a source of revenue for the Library.

The restroom in the meeting room has been updated with new fixtures, wainscoting, and grout cleaning. The stamp sales have been reorganized; a note about the changes is found in this issue.

The "Special Delivery of Dreams" scholarship program is now offering four \$2,500 scholarships. The committee is already receiving applications through Bold.org and will be reviewing these throughout the coming year.

Expanding the Board of Directors from four members to six was approved. If you are interested, please contact a Board member. Positions will be filled at the November Board meeting.

Do not forget to mark your calendar, the RMPL Volunteer dinner is on December 7, 2024, at the DoubleTree Hotel.

Again, thanks go out to all volunteers and members for your help and contributions. I send my best wishes for a happy Halloween and fun-filled family gatherings at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Tonny Van Loij
President

INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE

In the event of inclement weather the Library may close unexpectedly. Prior to venturing out, particularly when it is snowing, it is advisable to call ahead and make sure the Library is open.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

AARP SMART DRIVERS CLASS

Are you a driver aged 50 and over? Would you like to receive a discount on your auto insurance? Would you like to learn the current rules of the road, defensive driving techniques and how to operate your vehicle more safely in today's challenging driving environment? If so, then consider attending the AARP Smart Driver Class here at the RMPL. The class is 4 hours long and the cost is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members. Cash or check only (no credit or debit cards). The class will be held on January 14, 2025, from 9:45 am to 2:00 pm. You can register for the class by calling (303) 906-5197.



2025 ROCKY MOUNTAIN STAMP SHOW

This is a continuing call for volunteers to commit a few hours of their time to help at next year's stamp show. Volunteers are needed to manage the registration desk, assist with floor management, setting up and taking down the exhibit frames, mounting exhibits and assisting with cachet sales. Contact Ron Lampo at chairman@rockymountainstampshow.com for more information on volunteering.

SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER WANTED

The Library is searching for a talented individual willing to take over the maintenance and management of the RMPL Facebook page and begin an Instagram Account. The volunteer will need to dedicate a few hours each week to updating the information about upcoming events and activities in the local region. If you are familiar with managing a Facebook page, or know of someone who might be interested, please call the Library at 303-759-9921.

LEGACY GIVING

Have you considered including the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library in your estate planning?



Dedicated volunteers are one of the essential requirements for the continued operation of the Library. Another is Legacy Giving.

You could designate the RMPL as the beneficiary of a retirement plan, IRA, insurance policy or other account. You could also consider making a tax-free gift in your will or revocable trust.

The Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library Presents the 7th Annual Country, Cover and Postcard Lots Auction



The RMPL Auction team sends periodic emails related to upcoming auctions, updated bidding lists and letting you know of recent auction changes. If you have not received these messages please check your spam folder. The emails are from RMPLAuctionManager@gmail.com and are an inexpensive way of communicating with the membership.

Please be assured the Library will never release your email address to any outside organization.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE RMPL BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

With the recent Bylaw changes two new positions are now open on the RMPL Board of Directors.

Board members at large will be appointed during the November Board meeting.

Director duties include attendance at meetings every other month and contributing to the management of the RMPL either through volunteering, or at the direction of the President and/or Board.

If you are interested in consideration for these two new positions, please contact a Board member.

SPECIAL DELIVERY OF DREAMS SCHOLARSHIPS

Our "Special Delivery of Dreams" scholarships have increased from two to four. These annual scholarships are now available to applicants at 4-year universities, Associate of Art programs and trade schools. For more information on these educational scholarships contact rmpl.scholarship@gmail.com.

Applicants may apply online at <https://bold.org>. We had 136 applicants last year! Our goal is to promote worldwide philately and help students in achieving their dreams.

NOTES FROM THE LIBRARIAN

There is a new collection in our Special Collections area. We have received a donation of a fantastic Danish collection. We will house the collection at the RMPL, so visitors can stop by and view it.

Recently, patrons have asked quite a bit about Locals, these were in multiple areas within the library. So, we have merged all the books about locals around the world under one Dewey number, 769.57608. We own more than thirty books in this area.

We are working on the list of books members have requested to add to our collection. The book committee will decide which books will be of the most use to patrons, then we will buy them. Keep your eye on the New to the Library book lists!

Sherri Soraci-Jennings
Librarian

STEVE MCGILL BRINGS HOME THE CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS AWARD



RMPL member Steve McGill received the Benjamin and Naomi Wishnietsky World Series Champion of Champions award during the 2024 Great American Stamp Show, August 15 - 18, in Hartford, CT.

To qualify for the award exhibits must win the grand award at an APS sponsored World Series of Philately show during the past exhibiting cycle (July 2023 - June 2024). Steve's exhibit qualified for the Champion of Champions competition when he won the grand award at the 2023 Indypex Show held October 6 - 8, 2023, in Noblesville, IN. Steve's exhibit, "Britain's Marvelous Machins," was one of twenty-one qualifying exhibits this year.

In 1967, the Machin stamp series replaced the Wildings series. The stamps continue in print today and there are more than 7,000 cataloged varieties known.

Steve is a frequent visitor at the Library. When you see him, take a moment, and congratulate him on this significant achievement.

December 7, 2024

Volunteer Appreciation DINNER

Additional information with the location, time and menu will be provided in the mailed invitation.

RSVP IS REQUIRED

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During the 1870s, the Post Office issued contracts to three different security printing companies: the National Bank Note Company, the Continental Bank Note Company, and the American Bank Note Company. With multiple companies using the same stamp dies, different security measures and different paper types, collectors are faced with a challenge. If the stamps, printed by different companies, look the same, how does one identify which is which?

In 1870, the National Bank Note Company held the contract for printing postage stamps. They produced a series of eleven stamps ranging in value from 1¢ through 90¢. Each of the stamps featured the portrait of a past President or important government official.

In 1873, the Continental Bank Note Company took over the printing contract from the National Bank Note Company due to a number of complaints about the quality of the printing. Continental took possession of some of the dies, paper used for printing, and printing plates. The supply of paper ranged from thick to thin varieties. Some philatelic experts surmise the paper types obtained from the National Bank Note Company, along with the Continental Bank Note Company paper stock, total around 13 varieties. To identify which company printed which stamps “secret

marks” were added to the printing plates and dies.

In 1877, the United States Congress directed that all printing of notes and securities be transferred to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. The Post Office continued to have postage stamps printed by private companies. The decision was a major blow to the security printing companies. In 1879, the National Bank Note Company, the Continental Bank Note Company, and the American Bank Note Company, merged under the name of The American Bank Note Company, and continued to print postage stamps for the Post Office until 1894.

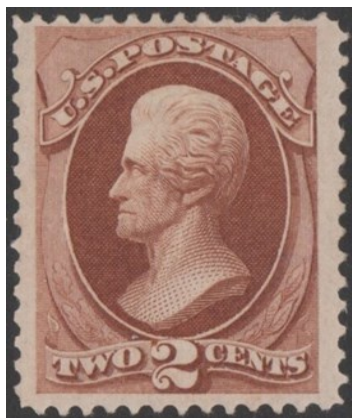
In addition to the secret marks added by the Continental Bank Note Company, the American Bank Note Company wanted to be able to tell which company printed which stamp. The company printed their stamps on a soft, porous paper, reengraved some of the designs, and introduced changes to some of the colors used in the printing of the stamps.

There were a number of “special printings” made of these stamps and they are extremely rare. Many of the higher value “grilled stamps” are also extremely rare and quite valuable. When going through your stamp collection, as well as accumulations, always take the time to check for grills on the Bank Note issues.

The 2¢ Large Bank Note Stamps

Images of the seven 2¢ Large Bank Note stamps, with the Scott catalog numbers are provided on the following pages for reference. There are five distinct types of the 2¢ Andrew Jackson stamps and the two types of the 2¢ George Washington stamp. The three different companies printed the Andrew Jackson stamps. The easiest of the Andrew Jackson stamps to identify are Scott #135, as it has a security grill and Scott #178 as the color is significantly different from the other stamps. The remaining three Andrew Jackson stamps are more difficult to identify due to the different paper types as well as the secret marks. The two George Washington stamps, Scott #210 and #213, are easily identified due to the distinct colors. The American Bank Note Company printed the George Washington stamps. It is important to note in the past few years the Scott Catalog is listing two grill sizes for the Large Bank Note stamps, grill type “H” and type “I.”

figure 2 - 2¢ National Bank Note stamps



Scott #135, red-brown,
National Bank
Note Company.

*This is the only stamp with a grill
mark (above) on the reverse.*

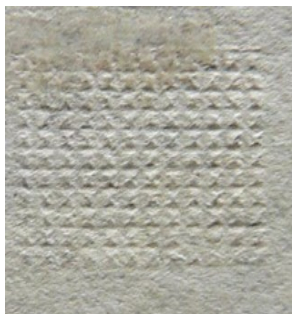


Scott #146, red-brown,
National Bank
Note Company.

*This stamp was issued without a grill
mark but the color is similar to Scott #135.*

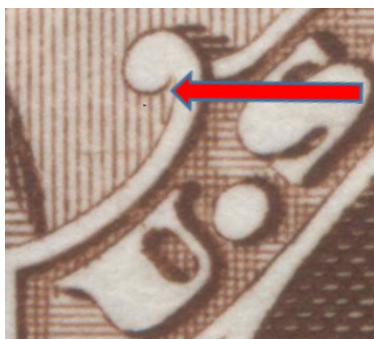
The 2¢ Large Bank Note Stamps (continued)

figure 3 - Grill mark



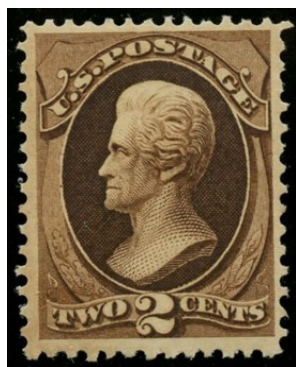
Example of a grill mark found on the reverse of Scott #135.

figure 4 - Secret mark



Note the gap near the ornament found on Scott #135 and #146 (left). On Scott #157 the gap is filled with additional shading lines (right).

figure 5 - 2¢ Continental Bank Note stamps



Scott #157, brown, Continental Bank Note Company.

This stamp was printed on hard, white paper with a secret mark.



Scott #178, vermilion, Continental Bank Note Company

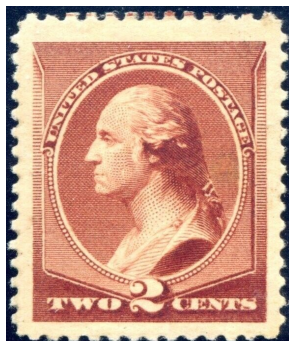
This stamp was printed on hard, white paper. The color was changed from brown to orange-vermilion. The stamp has the same secret mark as Scott #157.

figure 6 - 2¢ American Bank Note stamps



Scott #183, vermilion American Bank Note Company

This stamp was printed on soft porous paper with the secret mark. The color was changed from orange-vermilion to vermilion.



Scott #210, red-brown American Bank Note Company

The stamp is easy to identify as the portrait changed to George Washington. The stamp was printed on soft porous paper.



Scott #213, green American Bank Note Company

The stamp is easy to identify as the portrait changed to George Washington. The stamp was printed on soft porous paper.

Is it hard or soft paper?

Hard Paper: smooth surface, when held up to a light it is translucent. Under magnification the perforations are cleaner with fewer stray fibers. Hard paper is fairly white in color, some call it greyish or bluish white. Hard paper reflects more light when viewed under UV light than soft paper.

Soft Paper: coarse with uneven texture, cannot see through it when held up to a light. When held up to the light a looser weave or mesh pattern is seen. The soft paper seems slight yellowish compared to the hard paper. Under magnification there are stray fibers on the perforations. The paper has a looser weave. Soft paper is fairly "dead" when viewing it under UV light. The soft paper appears mottled, almost opaque like newsprint when held up to a sharp light.

The 3¢ Large Bank Note Stamps

Provided on the following pages are images of the six distinct types of the large 3¢ Bank Note stamps. The portrait of George Washington is featured on each of the stamps. They were printed by the National, Continental and American Bank Note companies in a variety of shades and colors, with or without grill marks and with secret marks on some issues. The easiest of the stamps to identify are Scott #136, issued with a grill mark, Scott #147 issued without a grill mark and Scott #214, issued in a distinct color.

figure 7 - 3¢ National Bank Note stamps



Scott #136, green
National Bank
Note Company.
This stamp was
printed with a grill
mark on the reverse.



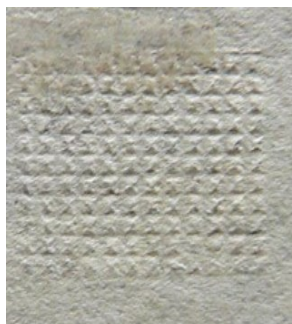
Scott #147, green
National Bank
Note Company.
This stamp was
printed without the
grill mark.

figure 8 - 3¢ Continental Bank Note stamp



Scott #158, green
Continental Bank
Note Company
This stamp was printed on hard,
white paper with a secret mark
found in the shading of the
ribbon below the word "three."

figure 9 - Grill mark



Example of a grill mark
found on the reverse of
Scott #136.

figure 10 - Secret mark



left, Scott #136 and #147 without secret mark.

right, Scott #158 with secret mark.

Note the heavy shading on the left below the ribbon under the word "Three."

A straightforward way to determine if your stamp was printed on hard or soft paper is to compare it to similar stamps. Scott #65, the common 3¢ Washington stamp from the 1860s is printed on hard paper. Scott #231, the common 2¢ Columbian stamp from 1893 is printed on soft, porous paper.

The 3¢ Large Bank Note Stamps (continued)

figure 11 - 3¢ American Bank Note stamps



Scott #184, green
American Bank
Note Company.

This stamp was printed on soft, porous paper with a secret mark.



Scott #207, blue-green
American Bank
Note Company.

This stamp was printed and re-engraved on soft, porous paper. An additional secret mark was added to the background shading below the "TS" in the word "CENTS."



Scott #214, vermillion
American Bank
Note Company.

This stamp was printed on soft, porous paper and in a new color.

figure 12 - Secret mark found on American Bank Note stamp, Scott #207.



left, Scott #136, 147, 158 and 184 without the new secret mark.

right, Scott #207 with the new secret mark found in the shading below the "TS" of the word "CENTS."

Sources:

There are more than 30 periodicals, books, articles and auction catalogs at the RMPL with information on the Large Bank Note Stamps. In addition, Jack Van Ens, a long-time member of the Library, is willing to help you with this subject.

"The Bank Note Issues of United States Stamps 1870-1893," compiled by Lester Brookman, Triad Publications, 1981.

<https://www.theswedishtiger.com/ID136.html>

<https://stampsmarter.org/1847usa/1870identifier.html>

<https://1847us.com/1870identifier/3c-washington-banknote/>

Second Saturday Programs at the Library

Second Saturday programs are sponsored by the RMPL and attract a friendly group of folks who are interested in a specific subject, or who are interested in learning more about an area of philately that may be new to them. *Contact Jim Kilbane, aurora_80017@yahoo.com, if you are interested in presenting a program.*

November 9, 2024 - 9:00 AM

Presenter: Steve Bonowski
**"Discover the Stamps of Poland -
 Part I, 1860 - 1939"**

Explore the collecting possibilities for beginning collectors and beyond.



December 14, 2024 - 9:00 AM

Presenter: Eric Carlson
"Lighthouses in the Dominican Republic"

A presentation providing a brief introduction to the history of the Dominican Republic and the Columbus Lighthouse.



The Mexico/Latin America Club

January 11, 2025 - 10:30 AM

Presenter: Steve Bonowski
"Early Airmail Stamps of Mexico"

At the regular meeting of the Mexico/Latin America Club, Steve Bonowski will present a short program related to the early airmail stamps and covers of Mexico.

All are invited to attend the presentation and club meeting.



**3rd Annual
 Denver Stamp
 Club Auction**

**Saturday,
 November 23, 2024**



Location: Rocky Mountain Philatelic
 Library
 2048 S. Pontiac Way
 Denver, CO 80224

Viewing: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Pizza Lunch: 12:00 PM to 12:30 PM
Auction: 12:30PM to 4:00 PM

125+ lots donated by members to promote club activities. US and Worldwide stamps and covers, collections, ephemera and literature.

All proceeds are used in support of club initiatives. The auction is open to all members and non-members. Everyone is welcome to participate.



Covering the World



Alaskan Dog Sled Mail

by John Bloor

The cover for this issue (*figures 1*) was carried by Alaska Dog Team Post in 1943. It is addressed to A. E. Koestler, a cover dealer in “the lower 48.” Although dog sled mail is best known from Alaska, dogs have been used to carry mail in other states, including Michigan and Maine.

In 1986 as part of the transportation series, the US issued a coil stamp (Scott #2135) picturing a dog sled from the 1920s (*figure 2*). The stamp issued in 2009 for the 50th anniversary of Alaska statehood (*figure 3*) shows a sled dog team in the foreground. It is on the Iditarod Trail being driven by DeeDee Jonrowe, a veteran dog team racer. The covers of the Jack London stamp booklets (Scott BK150,1,2) picture a dog sled and team and a sled dog.

By 1901, a network of dog sled mail routes had been established in Alaska. The route number #78140 on the (*figure 1*) cover is part of this network. The longest route was the Iditarod Trail, extending 2,300 miles from Seward to Nome. Note that this is the length of the trail used by the sled dog teams. It is neither the flying distance nor the length of the current Iditarod Trail race.

With the advent of air mail in the 1920s, many of the mail routes were replaced by air routes. Dog sled mail

was mostly used for short, local routes, particularly in the winter. For example, the cover shown here went from Ruby to Kokrines, about 27 miles along the Yukon River. The envelope was cancelled Nov 20, 1943, in Ruby with a Kokrines receiving cancel (*figure 1a*) dated Dec 10, 1943. The post office in Kokrines existed from 1907 - 1957; the Ruby Post Office was established in 1911 and is still in use. The cover was probably reviewed by a censor in Alaska.

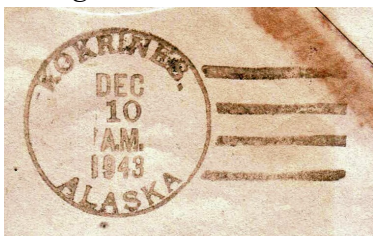
The last scheduled mail was carried on January 8, 1963, by Chester Noongwook from Gambell to Savoonga on St. Lawrence Island in the Bering sea between Alaska and Russia. However, mail is still carried on some of the sleds participating in the Iditarod race.

M(arie) “Fay” Muridge created the cachet. She was born in California but lived most of her life in Washington State. Most of her cachets were on naval covers. Dogs often wore leather (moose hide) booties to protect their feet from the ice and cold, but these are not visible in the cachet. Teams were usually 8 - 10 dogs but only seven are seen here. Mailbags can be seen in the sled. Mail sleds usually carried 500 - 700 pounds in a load, or up to 100 pounds per dog. For particularly difficult routes, more dogs were used.



Above, *figure 1*, Alaska Dog Team Post cover, route #78140, with a November 20, 1943, Ruby, Alaska, CDR tying Scott #912 to the cover.

Below, *figure 1a*, December 10, 1943, Kokrines, Alaska, receiving cancel on the cover back.



left, *figure 2*, 17¢ Alaskan dog sled, 1986, Scott #2135.

right, *figure 3*, 42¢ Alaskan dog sled team, 2009, Scott #4374.

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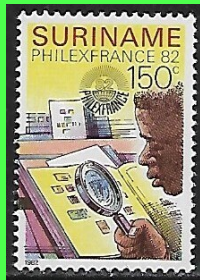
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YOUNG COLLECTORS

by Charlie Freise



Visit CYPHERStampClub.com to learn more about stamp collecting.

AUGUST 2024

John Audubon Program

Regina Domenici gave a presentation on John Audubon and birds on stamps during the August CYPHER Stamp Club Meeting. Children learned about the adventures of John Audubon and how his artwork and study of birds changed the world's understanding of avian migratory patterns, nesting habits, and life in general. After the program, the children were given the opportunity to select a "Gold Replica" bird cover and then recreate the bird using a wooden template, colored markers, and various feathers. Their creations were mounted on a bird playground that is on display in the meeting room.



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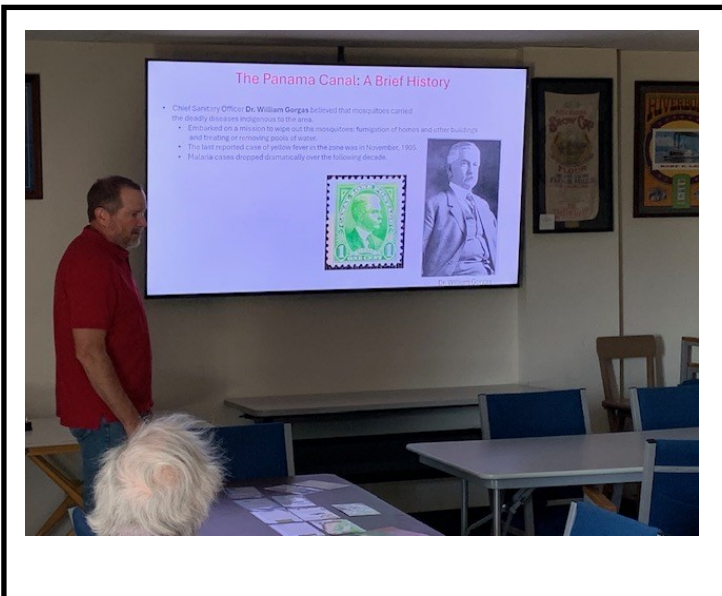
Canal Zone Postal History

Dan Nieuwlandt presented an interesting program focused on the history of the Panama Canal. He explained how the canal was built, how the locks work, and the difficulties the French and American governments experienced while building the canal. Dan brought in postal history items from his personal collection as examples. The children were extremely interested in the Canal Zone "crash cover."



left to right:

Cynthia Taylor, Genevieve Taylor, Kayla Taylor, Cooper Collins, Aria Mathur and Kaia Mathur.

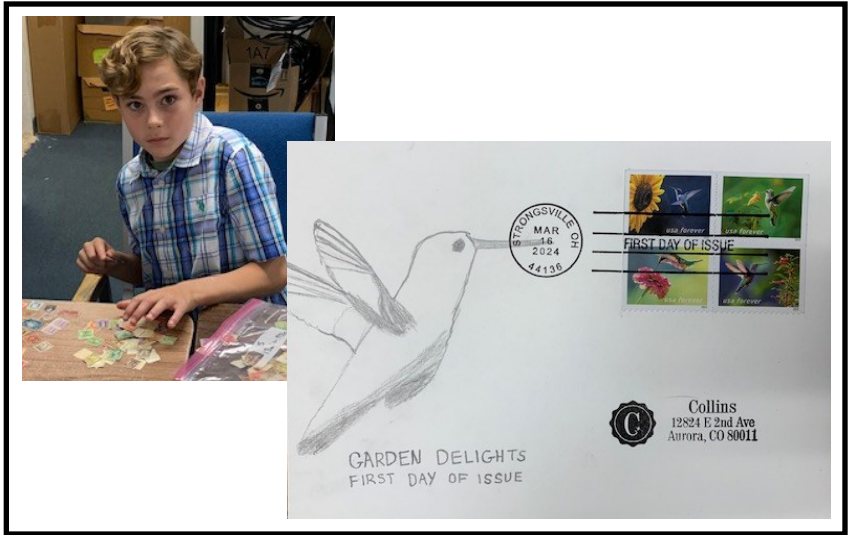


left to right:

Cooper, Regina, Dan and Jonathan reviewing the Canal Zone postal history items Dan brought in.

FIRST DAY COVER WITH A HAND DRAWN CACHET

Pictured to the right is an image of the First Day Cover and hand-drawn cachet created by Cooper Collins, a member of the CYPHER Stamp Club. He did his own research and contacted the USPS Stamp Fulfillment Center to obtain the instructions on how to submit an item to receive the special First-Day-of-Issue cancellation. This is the result of his hard work and research, a significant achievement for someone who started collecting less than a year ago. Stop by the next CYPHER Stamp club meeting and say hello to Cooper and the other children.



SCRAMBLED UP AT THE STAMP SHOW

The words on the left are things that you will find at a stamp show. When you unscramble the words draw a line to the matching picture. (Answer key on page 19).

GNOTS

GNASSNILES

SMAPTS

VOCRES

THESES

KOOLBETS

THISIBEX

LEADERS

LOCSLECTOR

TIERRAS

LUMBAS

SOCKBOOTSK

PACKSSTOGE

NOTMUTSMAPS



Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library Reorganization of United States Stamp Sales

by Paul Domenici

Library visitors of late may have noticed the ongoing reorganization of both U.S. mint and used stamps. An industrious group of volunteers have been identifying, consolidating, and labeling similar stamps so collectors can fill the needs of their collections. Volunteers review the stamps to ensure the best quality ones are available for purchase.

Large black binders contain both mint and used single common stamps (catalog value up to \$1.00). These stamps now sell for ten cents each. Mint and used single stamps cataloging \$1.00 and higher are priced at 40% of catalog value. The values are adjusted for centering, perforations, or other small flaws where applicable. These stamps are found in small binders in the US stamp sales section.



The categories of US stamps for sale at the RMPL include the following:

USED

Singles
Blocks
Back-of-Book
Coils: Singles, Pairs, PNC Singles



MINT

Sheets
Singles
Strips & Panes
Blocks, Zip Blocks, Mail Early Blocks
Air Mail Singles and Blocks
Back-of-Book, including Cinderellas
Precancels
Complete Booklets and Booklet Panes
Coil Singles, Pairs, PNC Singles and Strips
and Coil Line Pairs

*If you don't see a specialty area that you collect please let us know.
We will try to separate that category of stamps in the future.*

Thanks to the following Library volunteers and members involved in the reorganization project and sales of US stamps:

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Bill McCracken
John Palcso
Alex Papp
Richard Palestro
Richard Porto

Bill Schattle
Steve Schweighofer
Charles Thomason
Jack Van Ens
Ray Vreeland

New Publications for our Members

UNITED STATES

The Airmail: Jennies to Jets, by Benjamin B. Lipsner (as told to Leonard Finley Hilts)

Boundaries of the United States and the Several States, by Franklin K. Van Zandt

A Check and Price List of the 1894 - 1895 Series United States Stamps Printed by the Bureau, Engraving and Printing (1895)

Counterfeit Kansas - Nebraska Overprints on 1922 - 1934 Issue, by Robert H. Schoen and James T. De Voss and *First Day Covers of the Kansas - Nebraska Overprints*, by Jack V. Harvey (2 books bound together)

General Scheme of Nebraska, by the United States Post Office Department Railway Mail Service

The Grinnell Missionaries: Genuine Stamp Rarities or Clever Fakes Created to Cheat Collectors?, by Ken Lawrence

Hebert's Standard Plate Number Single Mint and Used Catalogue, by George G. Shapiro

How are your Kansas - Nebraskas?, by Oliver Huntington

Letters from the West, by David New

Schedule of Mail Routes, October 29, 1957: Wichita Region, Post Office Department Comprising Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma, by the United States Post Office Department Railway Mail Service

The Secret Service of the Post-Office Department, by P. H. Woodward

A Tentative Price list of Entire US Envelopes: Arranged According to J. W. Scott's System, With the Corresponding Numbers According to Prof. Horner, by F. A. Nast

West Virginia Place Names, by Hamill Kenny

ASIA

Macao Postage Stamp Catalogue, by Zhiwei Lu

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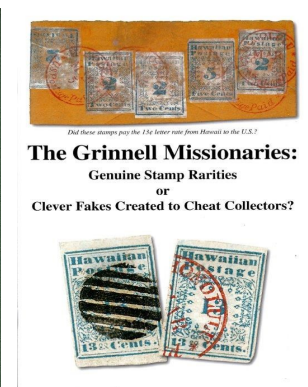
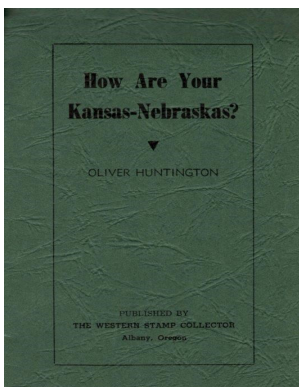
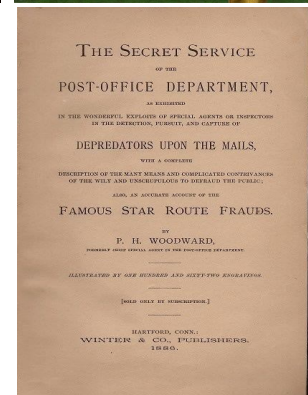
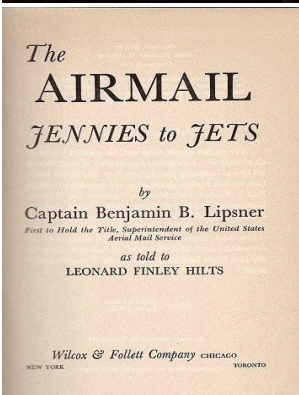
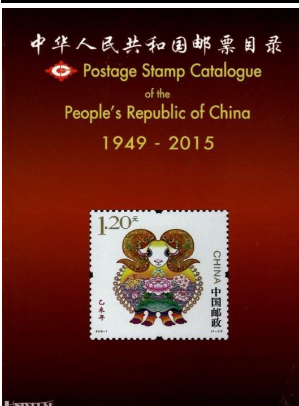
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Postage Stamp Catalogue of the People's Republic of China 1949 - 2015

Stamps Catalogue of Republic of China (Issued in Taiwan Since 1945), by Alex Yeh

Standard Stamp Catalogue of Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei

Stanley Gibbons Stamp Catalogue: Part 17; China



New Publications for our Members

AUSTRALIA and OCEANIA

The Australasian Stamp Catalogue: Australia and Territories

The Australian Colonies: Section A of The Australian Commonwealth Specialists Catalogue

The Australian Colonies Stamp Catalogue: A Priced and Illustrated Catalogue of the Postage Stamps Issued by the Pre-Federation Colonies of Australia (New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia)

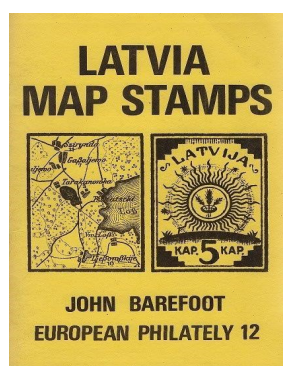
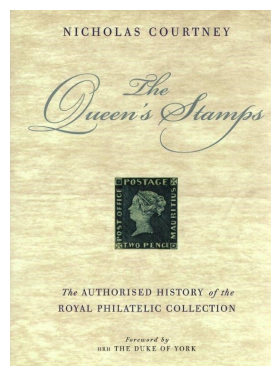
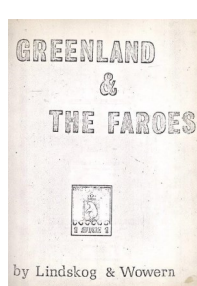
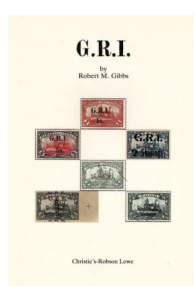
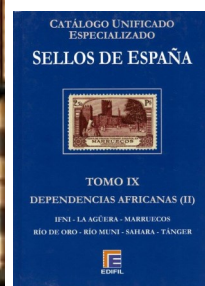
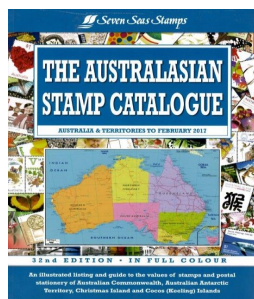
The postage stamps of New Zealand, 1855 - 1873: The Chalon Head Issues, by Robert P. Odenweller

The Revenue Stamps of South Australia: An Illustrated Reference List, by Martin Walker

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South Australia



An illustrated reference list
by Martin Walker



EUROPE

Catalogo Unificado Especializado de Sellos de España: Dependencias Africanas (I) and (II)

Catalogo Unificado Especializado de Sellos de España: Colonias de Ultramar

I Francobolli del Regno di Napoli e i due Provvisori da Mezzo Tornese del 1860: Appendice: Valutazione dei Francobolli e dei Bolli ed Annullamenti Postali, by Emilio Diena

Catalogue Prix-Courant de Timbres Fiscaux, by A. Forbin

Frimaerke Katalog 1851-1988: Danmark Grønland Dansk Vestindien Slesvig [og] Færøerne samt Julemærker Førstedagskuverter Marginalblokke Arsmapper Maximumskort

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Greenland and the Faroes: Part 3: The Faroe Islands, by Karlo Lindskog and Eric V. Wowerm

G.R.I.: The Postage Stamps of the German Colonies Occupied by the British 1914 - 1918, by Robert M. Gibbs

Aus dem großen Ganzsachen-Katalog 1928, by Dr. P. H. Crodel

Vereinigte Staaten von Amerika, by Siegfried Ascher

Latvia Map Stamps, by John Barefoot

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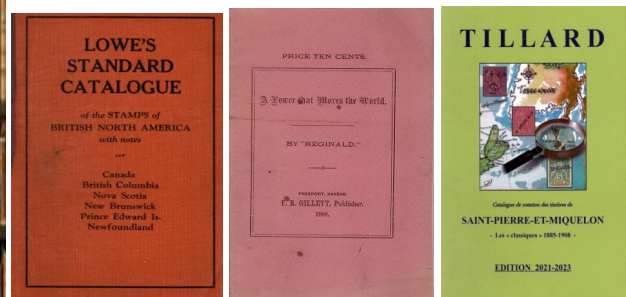
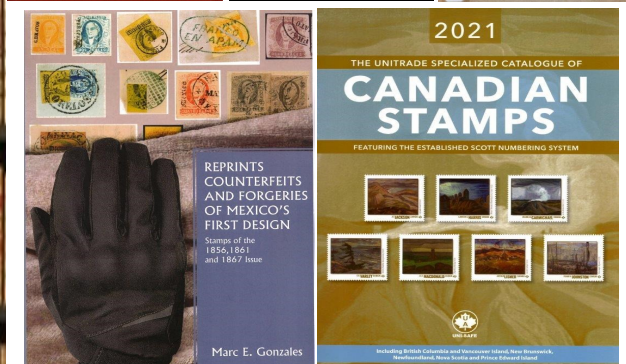
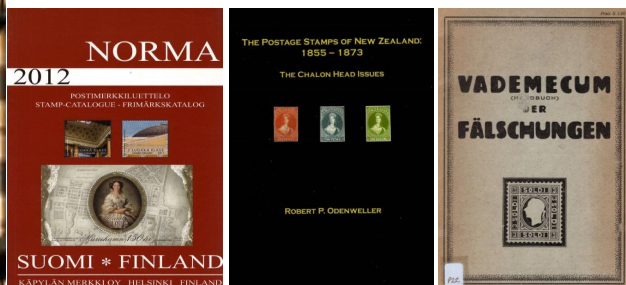
Mostarsko Izdanje Redovnih i Prigodnih Poštanskih Maraka Ratne 1994 (Definitive and Commemorative Postage Stamps Issued in Mostar in war 1994), by Stefan Sunarić

NORMA Suomi Luettelo Finland Katalog, 1856 - 2011

The Queen's Stamps: The Authorised History of the Royal Philatelic Collection, by Nicholas Courtney

A Study of the World's First Divisible Postal Stamp: The Number One of Mecklenburg-Schwerin 1856, by Clifford

New Publications for our Members



NORTH AMERICA

Catalogue de Cotation des Timbres de Saint Pierre et Miquelon: Les Classiques 1885 - 1908, by Jean-Jacques Tillard

Lowe's Standard Catalogue of the Stamps of British North America With Notes

La France Libre dans la Philatélie de Saint Pierre et Miquelon (The France Libre: Issues of Saint-Pierre and Miquelon), by Jean-Jacques Tillard avec la Collaboration de David Allen

Reprints Counterfeits and Forgeries of Mexico's First Design: Stamps of the 1856, 1861 and 1867 Issues, by Marc E. Gonzales

Unitrade Specialized Catalogue of Canadian Stamps: New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, British Columbia and Vancouver Island, Newfoundland

MISCELLANEOUS

Carol Gordon, Unconventional Cachetmaker, by Susan B. Jones

Catalogue des Timbres Semi-Modernes du Monde 1941 - 1960

Descriptive Catalogue of American and Foreign Postage Stamps Issued from 1840 to Date

The Directory: International Stamp Trader's Directory and Handbook, published by Stanley Gibbons Limited

An Easy Guide to Regummed, Altered, and Faked Stamps, by Philip de Rochambeau

Fédération Internationale de Philatélie F.I.P.: Procès-Verbal de la 38e Assemblée Générale

Annuelle (Philatelic Maps and List of Countries Philatelic 47), by Jacques Broussier

A Power That Moves the World, by "Reginald"

Priced Catalogue of Local Postage Stamps

Scott Stamp Illustrated Identifier

Vademecum der Fälschungen (Handbook of Forgeries), by Rolf Rauscher

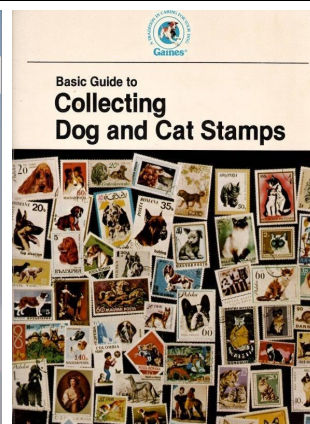
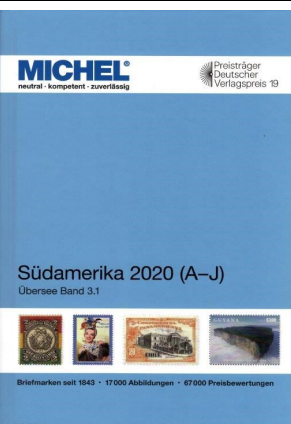
SOUTH AMERICA

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Officiële Postzegelcatalogus Suriname

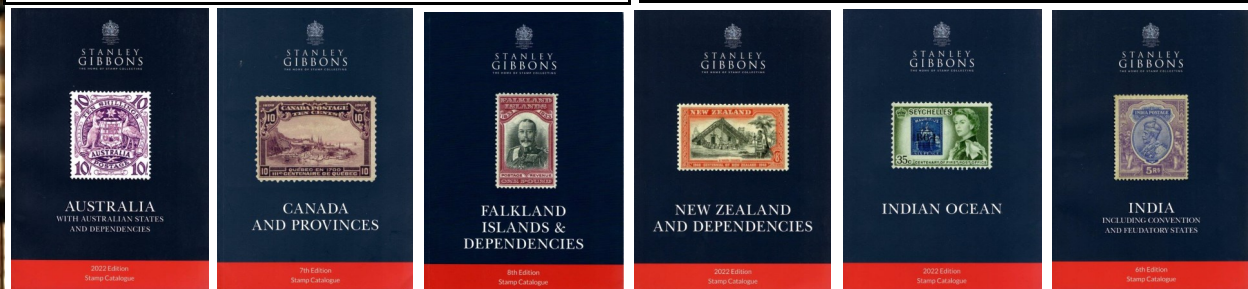
TOPICAL

Gaines Basic Guide to Collecting Dog and Cat Stamps, by Harry L. Tankoos



New Publications for our Members

STANLEY GIBBONS	STANLEY GIBBONS
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Brunei, Malaysia and Singapore</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Western Pacific</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Cyprus, Gibraltar and Malta</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: West Africa</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Bangladesh, Burma, Pakistan and Sri Lanka</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: East Africa with Egypt and Sudan</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Southern and Central Africa</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Leeward Islands</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Canada and Provinces</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Eastern Pacific</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Falkland Islands and Dependencies</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Hong Kong</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Indian Ocean</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Ireland</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: India including Convention and Feudatory States</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Northern Caribbean, Bahamas and Bermuda</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Australia with Australian States and Dependencies</i>
<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: Windward Islands and Barbados</i>	<i>Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue: New Zealand and Dependencies</i>



RMPL Board of Directors Meeting

Board of Directors Meeting September 19, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM

Board Members Present: Tonny Von Loij, Jim Kilbane, Eric Carlson, Steve Schweighofer, Gary Withrow, Rod Haenni, Paul and Regina Domenici.

ZOOM: due to technical issues no ZOOM meeting was available.

Absent: Charlie Freise and Bill Douglass.

Visitors: Steve Nadler, Richard Porto.

Old Business

The prior meeting minutes were approved via email in July.

Financial report (Bill Douglass): Bill Douglass absent, the Board approved August financial reports.

Second Bequest (Tonny Van Loij) Tonny stated the RMPL received a second Caswell family bequest of \$700,000. The RMPL Financial Group reported \$525,000 was placed into a CD and the remainder went into an Exchange Traded Fund.

Last version of election Bylaw changes (Eric Carlson and Regina Domenici): Bylaws have been updated to reflect Board and election changes. The final version is posted on the website. No member comments were received regarding the Bylaw changes posted in July Scribblings. Two new Director positions will be appointed due to these Bylaw changes. A notice will be placed in Scribblings encouraging any interested members to contact a Board member.

Meeting room restroom upgrades (Gary Withrow): Over the Labor Day weekend, the 2048 restroom makeover included a new sink, mirror, commode, grab bars and fresh paint.

Volunteer Christmas dinner and gifts (Paul Domenici): The DoubleTree Hotel is reserved for December 7, 2024, to honor the Library volunteers. Volunteers may bring a guest to the buffet dinner. Invitations will be mailed in mid-October.

Special Delivery of Dreams Scholarship update (Gary Withrow and Regina Domenici): Two \$2,500

scholarships targeting 4-year college students were added to the Special Delivery of Dreams scholarship on BOLD.org. Currently, the scholarship committee is reviewing 167 total applicants.

New construction vs. new location for additional storage (Steve Schweighofer): Background: The current County building requirements make it impossible to add any free-standing storage space on the property. A motion was approved to form a five-person committee to investigate opportunities and requirements to relocate to a new building.

Painting outside of buildings (Gary Withrow): Gary obtained 4 preliminary bids on painting the outside of both buildings. The bids ranged from \$5000 - \$8000. A decision will be made pending further clarification regarding type of paint used by each provider.

Automatic external defibrillators (AEDs): Background: In January 2023, the Board previously approved the purchase of the AEDs but due to equipment and training costs, postponed their purchase. Richard Porto reminded the Board of the value of having the AEDs in case of cardiac arrest at the Library. The Board agreed to follow through with the purchase and training of AEDs.

New Business

Marketing consultant: Steve Nadler recommended engaging a marketing consultant specializing in social media to promote the Library. He suggested the Board create a Marketing Committee to investigate better opportunities to advertise and publicize the value of the services available at the RMPL.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM

The next meeting is November 21, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina Domenici
Recording Secretary

DONATIONS

The library thrives on the enthusiasm and generosity of its members. The following societies, clubs, and individuals made donations to the Library since the last donation listing. These donations were made from July 17, 2024 through September 18, 2024. Thank you!

SOCIETY AND CLUB DONATIONS

International Cuban Philatelic Society

INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS

American Amigos, Inc.	Tammy Falcone	Thomas Massa	Miriam Schoenig
Anonymous	Harold Forbes	Patrick McNally	Penelope Schwind
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William Blankemeier	Edward Hackstaff	Stephen Nadler	Anne Touryan
John Bloor	Keith Hart	Lynn Ogden	Anthony Uva
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Lewis Bussey	Reid Klion	Jerry Peterson	George Visnic
Robert D. Cassaday	Mary Kuehster	Hilarie Quispe	Ray Vreeland
Jame Dimond	Joseph Lanotte	Kay Rasmussen	Matthew Whitcomb
Paul Domenici	Paul Lee	Jaime Roland	Lone Wulfsberg
James Ehernberger	Saralee Lohoff	George Romberg	Gerald Zschoche
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NEW MEMBERS

We extend a warm welcome to new members who have joined the library from July 17, 2024, through September 18, 2024.

Chose to Remain Anonymous

Adelina Armour

Kay Rasmussen

Please Note: New members and membership renewals received after September 18, 2024, will be acknowledged in the next issue of *Scribblings*. Due to unexpected circumstances many of the individuals who joined during the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show were not included in the last issue, their names appear in this issue.

Scrambled Up At the Stamp Show answer key:

GNOTS	TONGS
GNASSNILES	GLASSINES
SMAPTS	STAMPS
VOCRES	COVERS
THESES	SHEETS
KOOLBETS	BOOKLETS
THISIBEX	EXHIBITS
LEADERS	DEALERS
LOCSLECTOR	COLLECTORS
TIERRAS	RARITIES
LUMBAS	ALBUMS
SOCKBOOTSK	STOCK BOOKS
PACKSSTOGE	STOCK PAGES
NOTMUTSMAPS	STAMP MOUNTS

Scheduled Library Events



The RMPL Operations Manager, Steve Schweighofer, maintains a calendar of reserved club times. Clubs should check the calendar regularly and notify Steve (steve.schweighofer@comcast.net) of any updates or changes. Requests to reserve meeting space and time for philatelically related meetings other than those listed here must be approved and scheduled with Steve well in advance. Call the Library or the appropriate club to confirm the place and time.

Hours of Operation:
 Mon - Sat: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 Thu: 5:00 - 8:00 PM
 Closed Sundays and Holidays
 Phone: (303) 759-9921
 Email: rmpldenverco@gmail.com

NOVEMBER 2024

- Nov 2 Sat - meeting 10 AM
Scandinavian Collectors Club
- Nov 2 Sat - meeting 1 PM
Topical Philatelists In Colorado (TOPIC)
- Nov 9 Sat - 9AM
Second Saturday at the RMPL
Presenter: Steve Bonowski
"Discover the Stamps of Poland, Part I, 1860 - 1939"
- Nov 9 Sat - meeting 10:30 AM
Mexico/Latin America Club
- Nov 10 Sun - meeting 1 PM
Denver Postcard Club
- Nov 11 Mon - Open for Veterans Day
- Nov 13 Wed - meeting 7 PM
Denver Germany Stamp Club
- Nov 14 Thu - meeting 2 PM
Cherrellyn Stamp Club
- Nov 16 Sat - meeting 9:30 AM
CYPHER Stamp Club
- Nov 21 Thu - meeting 3 PM
RMPL Board of Directors (visitors welcome)
- Nov 23 Sat - meeting 12:30 PM (see page 9)
3rd Annual Denver Stamp Club Auction
- Nov 25 Mon - meeting 7 PM
Rocky Mountain Stamp Show Committee
- Nov 27 Wed - meeting 2 PM
Denver Stamp Club
- Nov 28 Thu - Closed for Thanksgiving

DECEMBER 2024

- Dec 7 Sat - meeting 10 AM
Scandinavian Collectors Club
- Dec 7 Sat - meeting 1 PM
Topical Philatelists In Colorado (TOPIC)
- Dec 7 Sat - RMPL Volunteer Dinner (see page 4)
- Dec 8 Sun - meeting 1 PM
Denver Postcard Club
- Dec 12 Thu - meeting 2 PM
Cherrellyn Stamp Club
- Dec 14 Sat - 9 AM
Second Saturday at the RMPL
Presenter: Eric Carlson
"Lighthouses in the Dominican Republic"
- Dec 14 Sat - meeting 10:30 AM
Mexico/Latin America Club
- Dec 14 Sat - meeting 12:30 PM
Rocky Mountain Aero and Astrophilatellic Club
- Dec 21 Sat - meeting 9:30 AM
CYPHER Stamp Club
- Dec 24 Wed - Closed for Christmas Eve
- Dec 25 Wed - Closed for Christmas Day
- Dec 31 Tue - Closed for New Years Eve
- Jan 1 Wed - Closed for New Years Day

MARK YOUR CALENDAR !

- November 11, 2024 - Open for Veterans Day
- November 23, 2024 - Denver Stamp Club Auction
- November 25, 2024 - Closed for Thanksgiving Day
- December 7, 2024 - RMPL Volunteer Dinner
- December 24, 2024 - Closed for Christmas Eve
- December 25, 2024 - Closed for Christmas Day
- December 31, 2024 - Closed for New Years Day
- January 1, 2025 - Closed for New Years Day