

# Lincoln Stamp Club

**SOUVENIR SHEET**  
**FEBRUARY 2013**  
Monthly News of the  
Lincoln Stamp Club

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**MEETINGS**  
The Club meets the  
first and third Thurs-  
days, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

**LOCATION**  
St. Paul United  
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## Creating a Personalized Philatelic News Source

# Google.com Offers Customized Newsgathering

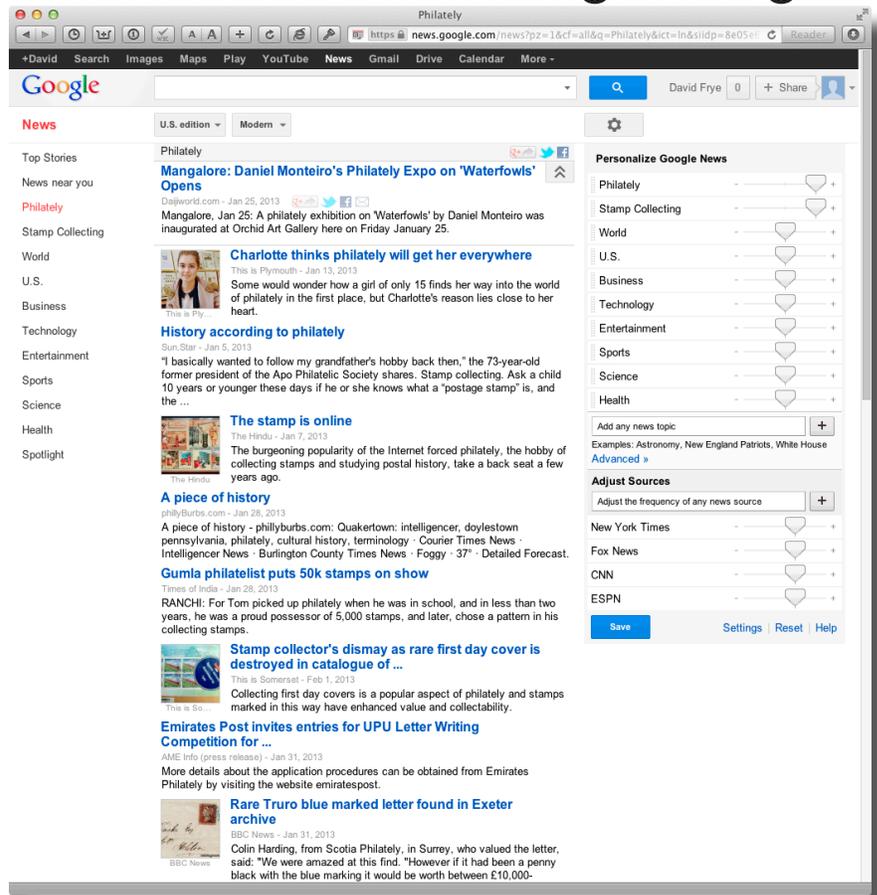
by David M. Frye

Recently I stum-  
bled upon a feature  
of Google.com  
that has opened  
a new window  
onto the world of  
philately. Google's  
News section al-  
lows users the op-  
tion to customize  
the categories of  
news that appear.

This led me to  
experiment with  
choosing a few  
keywords for these  
automatic searches  
of the world's  
news. The image to  
the right shows the  
previews of news  
on "Philately" on  
February 2, 2013.

This simple cus-  
tomization has revealed to me stories I would  
never have found if I depended only on my  
usual routines for checking the news.

For example, the second story, "Charlotte  
thinks philately will get her everywhere," tells  
about a fifteen-year-old girl from Plymouth,  
England, who decided to spend time with  
her granddad, going with him to the monthly  
meetings of the Plymouth Philatelic Society.  
The article states, "She is the youngest mem-  
ber with some others being more than 60  
years her senior. But she says the age differ-  
ence doesn't bother her. Charlotte added: 'It's  
not a problem at all. I get on with everyone  
really well, because they're all quite like my  
grandad; they're his friends.'"



**On the Web—news.google.com:** Customized newsgathering reveals gems.

Another story, "Gandhigiri calling," profiles  
a man, M.L. Rajesh, in Chennai, India, who  
collects memorabilia depicting Mahatma  
Gandhi. The story ties his passion to stamps:  
"While in Mumbai for a cricket match, ...  
Rajesh visited a philately exhibition where  
stamps on Gandhi issued by around 40  
countries were on display. For Rajesh, collect-  
ing stamps from an early age, the discovery  
kindled an interest in stamps on Gandhi,  
which later developed into a desire to emulate  
the leader in the totality of his life and phi-  
losophy."

I'd recommend taking a few minutes, cus-  
tomizing Google's News page and then seeing  
what turns up to delight and surprise you.

**USPS Board of Governors Plans to Meet February 8**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service will meet Feb. 8 in open session at Postal Service headquarters, 475 L’Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC. The public is welcome to observe the meeting beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Ben Franklin Room on the 11th floor. The Board is expected to discuss the following items:

1. Call to order and remarks of the Chairman of the Board
2. Remarks of the Postmaster General and CEO
3. Approval of prior minutes
4. Committee appointments and reports
5. Quarterly report on financial performance
6. Quarterly service performance report
7. Tentative agenda for the April 9 meeting
8. Adjourn.

Open session meetings of the Board of Governors are available on live audio Webcasts at <http://about.usps.com/news/electronic-press-kits/bog/welcome.htm>.

**February Exchange**

The Club offers the following items at its monthly exchange. Payments may be made in cash or in personal checks made out to the Club.

Lot #	Description	Open	Final	Buyer
• 01	U.S. Sc. 405–6 VF unused hinged	\$2.50	_____	_____
• 02	U.S. Sc. 408 VF block 4 MNH	\$2.00	_____	_____
• 03	U.S. Sc. 409 VF pair unused hinged	\$1.00	_____	_____
• 04	U.S. Sc. 408–9 F unused hinged	\$0.35	_____	_____
• 05	U.S. Sc. 410–13 F used, 410 unused hinged	\$2.00	_____	_____
• 06	U.S. Sc. 441 F unused hinged past-up	\$0.50	_____	_____
• 07	U.S. Sc. 442 F used, pencil note on back	\$1.00	_____	_____
• 08	U.S. Sc. 443 Av used, possible fake?	\$0.10	_____	_____
• 09	U.S. Sc. 452–3 F used, pencil notes on back	\$0.50	_____	_____
• 10	U.S. Sc. 455 F used	\$0.25	_____	_____
• 11	U.S. Sc. 458 F unused hinged	\$5.00	_____	_____
• 12	U.S. Sc. 462a VF MNH pane 6	\$3.00	_____	_____
• 13	U.S. Sc. 481 VF unused hinged	\$0.25	_____	_____
• 14	U.S. Sc. 481 VF unused hinged pair	\$0.50	_____	_____
• 15	U.S. Sc. 482 VF unused hinged	\$0.25	_____	_____
• 16	U.S. Sc. 490 F MNH pair	\$0.50	_____	_____
• 17	U.S. Sc. 492 Av unused hinged	\$1.00	_____	_____
• 18	U.S. Sc. 493 F unused hinged, soiling	\$1.00	_____	_____
• 19	U.S. Sc. 496 Av–F unused pair hinged	\$1.00	_____	_____
• 20	U.S. Sc. 497 Av–F unused hinged	\$2.50	_____	_____
• 21	U.S. Sc. 498e F MNH pane 6	\$0.60	_____	_____
• 22	U.S. Sc. 499e Av MNH pane 6	\$0.60	_____	_____

Three hours after the conclusion of the open session meeting, a recorded audio file will be available for listening. In compliance with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, the audio Webcast will be open-captioned.

**CFO Briefing**

Following the Board’s open meeting on Feb. 8, Postmaster General & CEO Patrick Donahoe and Chief Financial Officer Joe Corbett will host

a telephone/Web conference call to discuss the financial results in more detail. The call will begin at 10:30 a.m. CST and is open to the news media and all other interested parties. To attend by phone with audio only: dial 866-966-6305 (meeting ID: 4002211). To attend the Web conference and join with audio:

1. Browse to <http://meetingplace4.usps.gov/join>

[asp?4002211](http://meetingplace4.usps.gov/join)

2. After the MeetingPlace window is open, click the Phone icon (under the Participant List or in the upper right-hand corner).
3. Click Connect Me, validate or update your phone number and click Connect Me again.
4. When the system calls you, press 1 to join. The briefing will also be available as a live, listen-only audio

Webcast at: <http://about.usps.com/news/electronic-press-kits/cfo/welcome.htm>.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

**On the Web:** [http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2013/pr13\\_013.htm](http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2013/pr13_013.htm), Release No. 13-013, January 30, 2013.

## LINPEX 2013

# Stamp Show Celebrates 150th Anniversary of the "Emancipation Proclamation"

History buffs and stamp collectors alike will find their curiosity satisfied by the celebration of the sesquicentennial of President Abraham Lincoln's wartime declaration at LINPEX, a local stamp show set for Friday and Saturday, February 23 and 24.

Held at Quality Inn & Suites, 1511 Center Park Road, about one half mile south of 14th Street and Highway 2, the show offers free parking and free admission. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday.

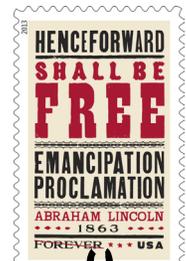
The Lincoln Stamp Club, the show's sponsor, will release a special collectible envelope featuring a design promoting the U.S. Postal Service's new Emancipation Proclamation stamp. The cancel uses broken chains to illustrate how the

EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION  
SESQUICENTENNIAL · 1863—2013

*"... all persons  
held as slaves ...  
shall be then,  
thenceforward,  
and forever  
free ...."*



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declaration began the work to end slavery.

The envelope's cachet—a decorative design—highlights a key phrase from the document: "... all persons held as slaves ... shall be then, thenceforward, and forever free ...." The cachet also includes President Lincoln's profile, based upon the sculpture by Daniel Chester French that stands to the west of the Nebraska State Capitol.

An insert will in-

clude a longer excerpt from the "Emancipation Proclamation." Each special cover costs two dollars.

Show highlights include a bourse with six stamp dealers, free reviews of collections to help individuals gauge their worth, and a beginners' table with stamps from the United States and around the world for a penny for youth and a nickel for adults.

The Lincoln Post Office will operate a

substation on Saturday, selling stamps, special philatelic items for stamp collectors, and providing the special show cancel. The club's members will exhibit highlights from their collections:

- the Rev. L.L. Langstroth, father of American beekeeping (Ken Pruess);
- first-day covers from Germany (Ricky George);
- the life and legacy of St. Benedict; the Fort Sumter Centennial issue of 1961 (David Frye);
- the Civil War correspondence of Howell Cobb (Herb Henry);
- first-day, home-made, and other covers (Joel Johnson);
- the Purple Heart

Medal (Carl Marks);

- the Three-Cent Prexie (Mike Ley); and
- a survey of Vatican City stamps (Kurt Meyer).

Show covers can be ordered by mail. Orders should include a self-addressed #10 business envelope and cash, check, or money order made out the Lincoln Stamp Club, sent to the Lincoln Stamp Club, 3240 Sheridan Court, Lincoln, NE 68506.

More information about the show is available on the Club's Web site at [www.lincolnstampclub.org](http://www.lincolnstampclub.org), by e-mail at [questions@lincolnstampclub.org](mailto:questions@lincolnstampclub.org), or by phone at (402) 483-6626.

## The Emancipation Proclamation

... Now, therefore I, Abraham Lincoln, ... do order and declare that all persons held as slaves within said designated States, and parts of States, are, and henceforward shall be free .... And upon this act, sincerely believed to be an act of justice, warranted by the Constitution, upon military necessity, I invoke the considerate judgment of mankind, and the gracious favor of Almighty God.

—January 1, 1863

# Meetings: First-Day Covers

The Club meets at a central location:  
St. Paul United Methodist Church  
1144 M St., Lincoln, Neb.

Go south on 11th Street, then turn left into the church's parking garage between N and M Streets. Take the elevator to the *main* floor. Street parking is available too.

- **Business Meeting with Exchange**  
Thurs., Feb. 7, 2013, 7–9 p.m.
- **Program: *Why I Enjoy Collecting First-Day Covers***, Dave Walllman, Thurs., Feb. 21, 2013, 7–9 p.m.
- **Business Meeting with Exchange**  
Thurs., Mar. 7, 2013, 7–9 p.m.

- **Program: *St. Benedict of Nursia: His Life and Legacy***, David Frye, Thurs., Mar. 21, 2013, 7–9 p.m.
- **Coming Up:** April 4, 18; May 2, 16; June 6, 20, July 18. **No meeting on July 4 in honor of Independence Day.**
- **LINPEX:** February 23–24, 2013, **Quality Inn, 1511 Center Park Rd.**, Lincoln, Nebraska.
- **Programs:** Visit with one of the Club's leaders to secure your spot on the schedule to give a program during the coming year.

## WANTED

### Items for Monthly Exchanges

If you would like to include items in the monthly exchanges, send your descriptions and prices to [questions@lincolnstampclub.org](mailto:questions@lincolnstampclub.org) by **Feb. 18** for the **March 7, 2013, Exchange**.

Info about more significant items, which might require members to research ahead of time, should be sent by **Feb. 18** for the **April 4 Exchange**.

Forms for your items are available online:

- [www.lincolnstampclub.org/downloads/SmallExchangeSheets.pdf](http://www.lincolnstampclub.org/downloads/SmallExchangeSheets.pdf)
- [www.lincolnstampclub.org/downloads/ExchangeSheet.pdf](http://www.lincolnstampclub.org/downloads/ExchangeSheet.pdf)

## USPS New Releases: February and March '13

**Feb. 1:** *Grand Central Terminal*; single Express Mail; \$19.95; New York, N.Y.

**Feb. 4:** *Rosa Parks*; single forever comm.; Detroit and Dearborn, Mich.

**Feb. 22:** *Muscle Cars*; five forever comm.; Daytona Beach, Fla.

**March 1:** *Bank Swallow*; single 46¢ stamped env.; various formats; Sacramento, Calif.

**March 7:** *Modern Art in America*; twelve forever comm.; New York, N.Y.

**March 8:** *Lydia Mendoza*; single forever comm.; Music Icons; Austin, Texas.

**March 8:** *Golden Deer*; single forever

postal card and double reply postal card.; Middleburg, Va.

**March 19:** *Patriotic Star*; single 46¢ defin. coil; 3k and 10k; San Francisco, Calif.

**On the Web:**

[www.beyondtheperf.com/2013-preview/](http://www.beyondtheperf.com/2013-preview/).

Please Note the New Location  
for LINPEX 2013:  
Quality Inn & Suites,  
1511 Center Park Rd.,  
0.6 mi. s. of 14th St. & Hwy. 2,  
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