

Souvenir Sheet March 2011 The Lincoln Stamp Club's monthly news

2011 Officers

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Meetings

The Club meets the first and third Thursdays, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Location

St. Paul United Methodist Church 1144 M St. Lincoln, Neb.

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Affiliation

The Club is an affiliate of the American Philatelic Society: APS# 0799-064882.

Review: 100 Greatest American Stamps

by David M. Frye

It seems like coffee tables are really made to hold books, rather than to serve as places for steaming mugs of coffee. If you are looking for a coffee table book that highlights stamp collecting, then *100 Greatest American Stamps*, by Janet Klug and Donald J. Sundman, is a worthy choice.

The book begins with several articles introducing the history of postal services, the development of stamps, and the rise of the hobby. Even if you have been collecting for decades, there are insights to gain from these articles. For example, I learned that "philately" won out over "timbromania," or "stamp madness," for the technical name of our hobby. Even so, family members might choose the vanquished term to describe our incurable condition.



Written by Janet Klug and Donald J. Sundman. Published in 2007 by Whitman Publishing, LLC. ISBN 0-7948-2248-7. List price: \$29.95.

The bulk of the book ranks the one hundred greatest American stamps, beginning with the 5¢ Franklin of 1847 and ending with the 1913 10¢ Panama-Pacific Commemorative.

The top ten stamps receive two pages of coverage, while the remaining ninety receive one page each. The entries depict the stamps, sometimes related photographs, and occasionally images of the stamps on cover—all in full color. Tables list market values by decade, both for used and unused. While some issues are out of the price range of all but the wealthiest collectors, a number are available for the typical catalogue minimum of twenty cents. A short essay places each stamp in its historical context and highlights its distinctive attributes.

I haven't finished reading the book, but I'm enjoying the journey!

Quiz: How Well Do You Know Stamps?

Here's a chance to test your familiarity with U.S. stamps. Identify the three stamps from which these small samples are taken. Send your answers to questions@lincolnstampclub.org by March 24. We'll recognize our stamp sleuths in the April newsletter.



LINPEX: Thanks to All Contributors

Planning and carrying off an event like LINPEX requires the efforts of a variety of people, some laboring behind the scenes and some working with the public. The club is grateful to everyone who contributed to helping make LINPEX an enjoyable and educational event for collectors of all ages and levels. Thank you!

If you have ideas for how

to improve future expositions, please visit with one of the club officers and pass on your thoughts. It's appreciated. **On the Web:** www.lincolnstampclub.org/linpex/

New U.S. Stamps

Mar. 16, Latin Music Legends, Five forever rate (44¢) commem., Austin, Texas. Mar. 25, Neon Celebrate, Single forever rate (44¢) special, Cleveland, Ohio. Mar. 26, Navajo Nicklace, Single forever rate (44¢) commem., New Orleans, La.

Newsletter Ideas

Send ideas to questions@lincolnstampclub.org or by mail to: David M. Frye 5600 SW 80th Court Denton, NE 68339.

Membership

A 10 by your name on the label means it's *past* renewal time.

Club Meeting Schedule: March 2011

The Club holds all of its meetings at a single 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 second floor.

March Exchange Items

Here are items for the March 3 exchange.

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US 344 Shermack used	\$0.25
US 441 Paste-up air MNH	\$1.00
US 632a Booklet Pane 6 Hinged	\$1.00
US 3377 \$3.20 Submarine	\$3.20
US Special Delivery (15)	\$1.00
Yugoslavia (75)	\$1.50

LINPEX Palmares

The list of exhibit awards granted at LINPEX 2011 will be posted in early March. **On the Web:** www.lincolnstampclub.org/linpex/

Business Meeting & Exchange Thurs., March 3, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Presentation: David Frye—"Stamps: An American Journey" Thurs., March 17, 7:00–9:00 p.m.



MEMBERS OR GUESTS WITH A STAMP STORY TO TELL

The Lincoln Stamp Club invites you to share your philatelic passion by giving a presentation at one of our meetings or by writing a short article for our newsletter. If you are interested, or want to find out more, e-mail **questions@lincolnstampclub.org** or talk to one of the Club's officers.

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