

Lincoln Stamp Club

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Monthly News of the
Lincoln Stamp Club

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MEETINGS

The Club meets the first and third Thursdays, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

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NEWSLETTER AND WEB SITE

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Collecting Methods

Ninety-year-old Cover a Case Study in the Challenges of Organization

by *David M. Frye*,
Editor

Once my stamp collection outgrew the original Minuteman binder holding my general U.S. collection, I've struggled a bit with how to keep track of everything I've accumulated and incorporated into my various "sub-collections," for lack of a better word.

The pictured cover, one I just acquired in February, provides a perfect stress test for any organizational system. The questions are multiple, "How does one classify this? Where does one file it?"

In no particular order, here are the possibilities that cross my mind as I look at this particular piece of postal history.

Fourth Bureau Issue: This is an obvious first choice, as five copies of the 2¢ Washington appear on the cover.

Stamped Envelopes: I am absolutely unschooled in figuring out which variety of the 2¢ Washington this envelope is, but it fits here somewhere ... somehow.

Nebraska Postal History: The mailing traveled from Falls City to Lincoln, so it counts.

Special Delivery: A handwritten "Special Del" and one of the auxiliary markings—"Fee Claimed by Office of First Address"—place the envelope in this category as well.

Railway Post Offices: The circular date stamp (CDS) on the front indicates the mailing traveled the Omaha & Kansas City route.

Christmas Mail: This connection's a bit more



In the Beholder's Eye: A cover from late December 1925 offers a wide variety of options for how to incorporate it into one's collection and raises questions about what categories make the best system to fit one's own collecting habits.

obscure, but the date in the RPO cancellation notes the letter made its train trip on Christmas Day, 1925.

Senders and Recipients with Stories: Who were Robert E. Steele and Mr. Ben Asendorf? A quick Google search of Robert E. Steele turns up an obituary for WW II veteran Robert E. Steele Jr., 1923–2011. His father, Robert Steele Sr., ran a family farm in Falls City. He was probably the sender of the letter. Another quick search returns nothing about Ben Asendorf. This nut will be tough to crack!

Birthday Mail: OK, this one is really a niche, but I have a small stash of mail that was cancelled on December 31, my birthday. Not all of it comes from my birth year, but it all comes from my birth day. The purple date stamp just to the right of the return address on this cover is "DEC 31 1925," most likely the date the letter returned to Falls City after it had been determined to be undeliverable in Lincoln, where it had been received on December 26. This date appears on a circular date stamp on the back of the envelope.

Western

Postal History

Bill Johnson will present a program, "Western Postal History," at the April 10 meeting of the Omaha Philatelic Society (OPS). The society's members have extended a special invitation to the members of the Lincoln Stamp Club to gather with them for this special event.

A member of OPS, Bill Johnson has won numerous APS gold medals for his exhibits. He resides in Kansas. He served on the panel of judges for LINPEX 2014 and has exhibited at LINPEX.

The OPS meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. at:
Pacific Hills Lutheran Church
90th and Pacific Streets
(SW corner)
Omaha, Nebraska.

■ **Web:** www.omahaphilatelicsociety.com

Club's By-laws Updated

At the Club's business meeting on Feb. 5, 2015, the Club voted without opposition to adopt a revision to its by-laws, stating that no Club member may hold more than one elected office at the same time. This change clarifies the section on Club leadership (IV.1).

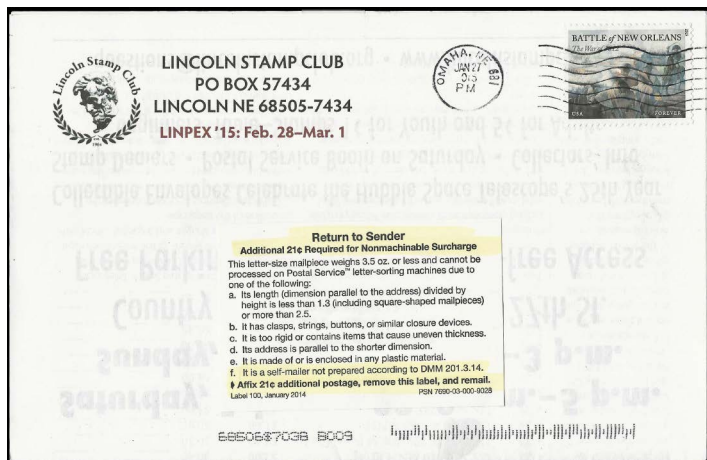
To abide by other provisions of the by-laws, the proposed revision had been presented and discussed at two earlier meetings.

March 2015 Exchange

The Club offers the following items at its monthly exchange. Make payments in cash or in personal checks made out to the Club. Items in black are donations to the Lincoln Stamp Club. Proceeds from the sale of donations benefit the Club's general work. The lots listed in color are not donations; they are a member's lots.

Lot #	Description	Catalogue	Minimum	Final	Buyer
▪ 01	Argentina Mixed Lot, M, CTO, Used	\$—	\$1.00	_____	_____
▪ 02	Australia Sc. 700–706 Set (7) Used	\$2.80	\$0.70	_____	_____
▪ 03	Canal Zone Mixed Lot, M, Used	\$—	\$0.50	_____	_____
▪ 04	China Mixed Lot, 40+ Used	\$—	\$1.00	_____	_____
▪ 05	Cook Islands Sc. 287–289 M Set (3)	\$4.00	\$1.00	_____	_____
▪ 06	Dubai Sc. 127–130 CTO	\$—	\$0.20	_____	_____
▪ 07	Germany Sc. 2113–2117 CTO	\$1.25	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 08	Grenada Sc. 475–477 MNH	\$0.75	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 09	Grenada Sc. 772–779 CTO	\$1.90	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 10	Hungary Sc. 2323–2327 CTO	\$0.25	\$0.10	_____	_____
▪ 11	Iceland Mixed Lot (35) M, Used	\$—	\$1.25	_____	_____
▪ 12	Indonesia Sc. 763–764 M	\$0.25	\$0.10	_____	_____
▪ 13	Jamaica Sc. 309–312 Used	\$1.65	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 14	Jugoslavia Sc. 455–457 CTO	\$0.25	\$0.10	_____	_____
▪ 15	Korea Sc. ? Used	\$—	\$1.00	_____	_____
▪ 16	Korea Sc. 1799, 1799A MNH	\$2.10	\$0.75	_____	_____
▪ 17	Liberia Sc. 922 M	\$2.00	\$1.00	_____	_____
▪ 18	Marshall Islands Sc. 251 (WW II Ann.)	\$1.65	\$1.00	_____	_____
▪ 19	Monaco Sc. 366–70 C46–8 Unused	\$10.05	\$2.00	_____	_____
▪ 20	Panama Sc. ? CTO	\$1.15	\$0.15	_____	_____
▪ 21	Ras Al Khaima Sc. 155–157 CTO	\$0.45	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 22	Romania Sc. 1369–1374 CTO	\$0.35	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 23	Romania Sc. 2943–2945 CTO	\$0.25	\$0.10	_____	_____
▪ 24	Romania Sc. 3094–3098 CTO	\$0.45	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 25	Russia (CCCP) Sc. 5471 A2630	\$0.15	\$0.05	_____	_____
▪ 26	Swaziland Sc. 382–384 M	\$1.20	\$0.50	_____	_____
▪ 27	U.S. Sc. 4123 MNH	\$1.68	\$1.50	_____	_____
▪ 28	U.S. Sc. UX80, 82 M	\$0.24	\$0.20	_____	_____
▪ 29	U.S. Odds & Ends MNH	\$1.39	\$0.90	_____	_____
▪ 30	U.S. Odds & Ends MNH	\$0.61	\$0.40	_____	_____
▪ 31	U.S. Sc. 703 MNH	\$0.50	\$0.10	_____	_____
▪ 32	U.S. Sc. 3912–3915 MNH	\$7.00	\$1.95	_____	_____
▪ 33	U.S. Sc. 3523 MNH	\$1.75	\$0.50	_____	_____
▪ 34	U.S. Sc. 1691–1694 MNH	\$6.95	\$1.25	_____	_____
▪ 35	U.S. Sc. C74, Pair, MNH	\$1.80	\$0.75	_____	_____
▪ 36	U.S. Sc. 237, MNH No Gum	\$100.00	\$20.00	_____	_____
▪ 37	U.S. Sc. 290 MNH	\$130.00	\$30.00	_____	_____
▪ 38	U.S. Sc. 330 MH	\$215.00	\$42.50	_____	_____
▪ 39	U.S. Sc. 1341 MNH	\$4.95	\$2.00	_____	_____
▪ 40	U.S. Sc. 810 MH	\$1.10	\$0.50	_____	_____
▪ 41	U.S. Sc. 513 MH	\$20.00	\$5.00	_____	_____
▪ 42	U.S. Sc. 3108–3111 MNH	\$6.40	\$4.50	_____	_____
▪ 43	U.S. Sc. 3113–3116 MNH	\$6.40	\$4.50	_____	_____
▪ 44	U.S. Sc. U616 M	\$1.00	\$0.25	_____	_____
▪ 45	U.S. Sc. 2559 MNH	\$5.80	\$4.00	_____	_____
▪ 46	Rwanda Sc. 367–369 M	\$0.75	\$0.50	_____	_____
▪ 47	Rwanda Sc. 705–707 M	\$0.75	\$0.25	_____	_____

An Education in the Uses of the USPS's DMM



The February issue of *The Souvenir Sheet* arrived late—and with an additional 21¢ in postage—in a number of its recipients’ mailboxes. The “Return to Sender” label on one of the copies pointed the Club to the *Domestic Mail Manual* (DMM 201.3.14) for the reason. While a tape tab had sealed the top edge of the newsletter, the issues failed to include two tabs on the right-hand (leading) edge of the newsletter. This prevents the folded pages from billowing open while passing through the sorting equipment.

About the Cachet: The Hubble Space Telescope

The mailing panel of this issue of the *Souvenir Sheet* displays the design of the cachet for the show cover sold at LINPEX 2015 to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the entry into service of the Hubble Space Telescope. Here are the details that explain the cachet.

On April 24, 1990, *Discovery* lifted off from Kennedy Space Center, Florida, carrying the Hubble Space Telescope into orbit and beginning a twenty-five year mission that remains active to this day. Astronomers may continue to conduct valuable research with the HST through 2020, even though the telescope’s successor, the James Webb Space Telescope, is set for deployment in 2018.

The cover features images depicting the history of the telescope and a small selection from among its myriad of images. Proceeding clockwise from the upper left of the cachet, the images depict the following objects:

- The Horsehead Nebula in the Orion Molecular Cloud.
- HST in May 2009 after the crew of Atlantis performed the last of the telescope’s five servicing missions.
- Great clouds in the Carina Nebula.
- *Discovery* on mission STS-31 executing its roll maneuver after liftoff on April 24, 1990, carrying the HST in its cargo bay.
- A view of Saturn in visible light.

Club Member Sparks Drive to Bring 2019 APS StampShow to Nebraska

Anyone who reads the APS’s *American Philatelist* knows that the organization sponsors its annual StampShow, which appears in different locations each year. Unless one is a fan of road trips or chooses to fly, these events come and go without often coming close enough to southeastern Nebraska to make a visit practical.

If the vision of Edgar Hicks, a member of both the Lincoln Stamp Club and the Omaha Philatelic Society, comes to fruition, the 2019 APS StampShow will land in Omaha. He was worked long hours to garner some financial support from Union Pacific Corporation, with headquarters in Omaha. In 2019, the country will mark the sesquicentennial of the completion of the First Transcontinental Railroad, making UP’s participation a natural fit.

The most recent issue of *The American Stamp Dealer & Collector* includes an editorial by Randy L. Neil: “Omaha? Yes, Omaha!” He makes a strong case for Omaha as a StampShow site, ending his piece by writing:

Edgar Hicks and the OPS have worked feverishly to make this happen. With the power of a giant, historic U.S. company behind them, Omaha’s philatelists might give the APS membership a jumbo pleasant surprise. The Club thanks Edgar for his work on this project!

▪ **Web:** www.americanstampdealer.com.

LINN'S 2014 U.S. STAMP POPULARITY POLL		
Select from the following list the 2014 commemorative stamps; 2014 definitive and special stamps; and 2014 postal stationery that have the best and worst designs in your opinion, as well as those you feel are the most important and least necessary in subject.		
VOTE BY THE NUMBER PRECEDING THE ISSUE NAME ONLY		
1. Year of the Horse 2. Shirley Chisholm 3. Jimi Hendrix 4. Songbirds 5. Charlton Heston 6. Circus Posters	7. Harvey Milk 8. Nevada Statehood 9. Civil War 1864 10. Farmers Markets 11. Hudson River School 12. Janis Joplin	13. Celebrity Chefs 14. War of 1812: Fort McHenry 15. Batman 16. Wilt Chamberlain
BEST DESIGN _____ MOST IMPORTANT _____	WORST DESIGN _____ LEAST NECESSARY _____	
17. Love: Cut Paper Heart 18. Ferns 19. Star-Spangled Banner 20. Hummingbird 21. Great-Spangled Fritillary 22. Abraham Lincoln 23. Winter Flowers 24. Ralph Ellison	25. Verrazano-Narrows Bridge 26. C. Alfred "Chief" Anderson 27. USS Arizona Memorial 28. Red, White and Blue 29. Sea Surface Temperatures	30. Hot Rods 31. Glade Creek Grist Mill 32. Winter Fun 33. Silver Bells 34. Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer 35. Christmas Magi
BEST DESIGN _____ MOST IMPORTANT _____	WORST DESIGN _____ LEAST NECESSARY _____	
36. Verrazano-Narrows Bridge stamped envelope 37. Tree postal card and double-reply card	38. Winter stamped envelopes	
BEST DESIGN _____ MOST IMPORTANT _____	WORST DESIGN _____ LEAST NECESSARY _____	
Now vote for your single personal favorite stamp issue of 2014. Your choice can be from the commemorative, definitive-special or postal stationery categories. Se-tenant issues (different designs in one pane) are counted as one issue.		
MY FAVORITE 2014 STAMP (please write in number and stamp issue name):		
No. _____ Issue _____		
SEND BALLOT TO: Linn's Stamp Poll, Box 4129, Sidney, OH 45365. All ballots must be postmarked by March 4, 2015. Photocopied ballots are acceptable. Stamps are pictured in color in the Dec. 15 issue on pages 46-47.		

Topics: Business, Show & Tell, and "Stamp Insurance"

The Club meets at a central Lincoln location from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays each month:

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.

~Show and Tell~

We encourage members of the Club to bring items from their collections to the second meeting of the month to show to members. You can bring an unusual or distinctive item, an item with a story, an item that needs further identification, or anything that captures your eye and interest. This is a great way to share with fellow members some of your collection's high points!

- **Business Meeting and Exchange:** Thursday, March 5.
- **Show and Tell and Program:** Thursday, March 19: "Stamp Insurance," by Ken Pruess.
- **Business Meeting and Exchange:** Thursday, April 2.
- **Upcoming Meetings:** April 2 & 16, May 7 & 21, and June 4 & 18.

NEEDED

Items for Monthly Exchanges

If you would like to include items in the monthly exchanges, give your descriptions and prices to **Jim Camp, Exchange Coordinator, by March 15 for the April 2 Exchange.**

Give him info about more significant items, which might require members to research ahead of time, by **March 15 for the May 7 Exchange.**

Forms for your items are available online:

- www.lincolnstampclub.org/downloads/SmallExchangeSheets.pdf
- www.lincolnstampclub.org/downloads/ExchangeForm4up.pdf.

USPS Issues: March—May 2015

March 20—*Water Lilies*: 4 forever (49¢) def.; 2-sided pane (20); Cleveland, Ohio.

March 26—*Martin Ramirez*: 5 forever (49¢) com.; pane (20); New York, N.Y.

March ??—*From Me to You*: 1 forever (49¢) com.; pane (20); Washington, D.C.

April 9—*Civil War 1865*: 2 forever (49¢) com.; pane (12); Appomattox, Va.

April 10—*Dogwood and Cherry Blossoms*: 4 forever (49¢) com.; pane (12); joint issue with Japan; Washington, D.C.

April or May ??—*Special Olympics World*

Games: 1 forever (49¢) com.; format TBA; Los Angeles, Calif.

May 25—*Medal of Honor: Vietnam War*: 3 forever (49¢) com.; prestige folio (24); Washington, D.C.

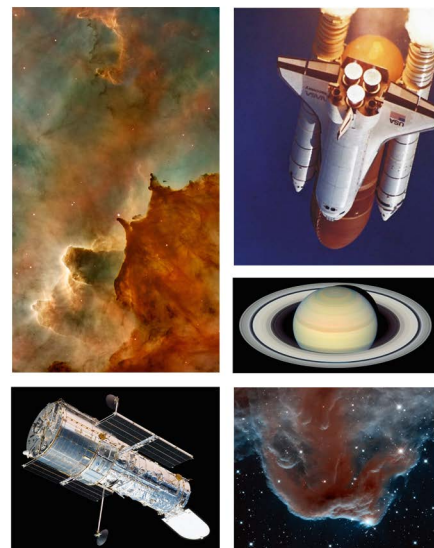
May ??—*Forget-Me-Not Missing Children*: 1 forever (49¢) com.; pane (20); Location TBA.

Coming in June—*Summer Harvest*.

- www.uspsstamps.com/stamps/preview
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