

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 Thurs-
days, 7:00–9:00 p.m.

LOCATION

St. Paul United
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AFFILIATION

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

Along for the Ride with a Memorable Dealer

by *David M. Frye*

One of my Christmas presents, Stephen R. Datz's memoir, *On the Road: The Quest for Stamps*, opens the door to the world of stamp dealers. Published in 1991, Datz's work recalls some of the high-living times from the era of the stamp-investing bubble and sketches out the tougher times as well.

One touching reminiscence comes, though, when he recounts a visit with an elderly collector looking to part with some old and dear friends (pp. 104–105):

The thrill of making the deal gave way to a bittersweet sensation. Suddenly, I realized I was about to take something very

special from someone who had devoted a lifetime to creating it. I appreciated how difficult it must be for him to say goodbye.

He looked up from the album he had been thoughtfully caressing and said, "So, best let someone else enjoy it." His face brightened. "Eighty thousand. Isn't that the figure you quoted?"

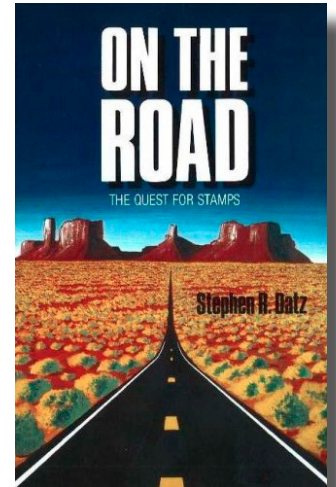
"Yes, sir."

"Fine," he said, "That'll be just fine."

Datz's book will delight almost anyone with a warm spot in his or her heart for those little bits of paper and the stories they have to tell.

ISBN-13: 978-0-88219-025-9

www.stephendatz.com.



Club's Survey Results

Last fall's survey on meeting schedules yielded mixed results. Ten responses from thirty-eight surveys mailed showed no conclusive trends:

Once/month, first or third: 1

Once/month, first: 3

Once/month, third: 1

Twice/month, first and third: 2

Saturday a.m. or Sunday p.m.: 1

No preference: 2

TOTAL RESPONSES: 10, or 26%.

The Club decided, for now, to leave the meeting schedule as it is—twice monthly.

January Club Exchange

Several items will appear in the exchange after the business meeting on Jan. 5:

Cat. #	Description	Open
• —	Mystic 3-vol. UN; 200+ stamps	no min.

Other individual and lot items may appear. See the back page for listing deadlines. The exchange is a great way to assure your valued items remain in collectors' hands.

Casey Cup Awarded

Ron Ecklund, Treasurer, received recognition from the Club at its December 2011 meeting with the presentation of the Casey Cup.

Each year the Lincoln Stamp Club awards a lead crystal cup, called the Lynn R. Casey Award, established in 2004, to a member of the Club who performed outstanding volunteer service to the Club in the preceding year. The cup is engraved with the member's name and the year of the award. It travels to the home of the award-winner for the year and then moves on. The award was established in recognition and memory of Lynn Casey, a former member of the Club.

A list of past recipients is on the Web: www.lincolnstampclub.org/news/casey_award.htm.

USPS RELEASES JANUARY 2012

Jan. 3: *Spectrum Eagle*; six non-denom. (25¢) presorted-rate definitives, coils of 3k and 10k; Liberty, MO.

Jan. 6: *New Mexico Statehood*; single forever (44¢) comm., Santa Fe, NM.

Jan. to be Announced

- *Weather Vanes*; five first-class (45¢) coils.
- *Birds of Prey*; five three-ounce (85¢) letter-rate coils.
- *Sailboats*; forever (32¢) postal card.
- *Sunshine Skyway Bridge*; single (\$5.15) Priority Mail.
- *Carmel Mission*; single (18.95) Express Mail.
- *Bonsai Trees*; five forever (45¢) first-class.
- *Glacier National Park*; single 85¢ airmail stamp.

WANTED

Items for Our Monthly Exchanges

If you would like to include items in the monthly exchanges, send your descriptions and prices to questions@lincolnstampclub.org by the twenty-fifth of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter (**Jan. 25 for Feb. 2 exchange**). More significant items, which might require members to research ahead of time, should be sent by the same deadline for the second exchange following the submission (**Jan. 25 for Mar. 1 exchange**).

LINPEX 2012

Mark your calendars for our next show, LINPEX 2012, Feb. 25–26, 2012, at the GuestHouse Inn, Suites, and Conference Center. Expect dealers, a show cover, and member exhibits.

Meetings: 2012 Elections, Beekeeping, etc.

The Club's meetings are held in one place:
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.

Members may bring their exhibit materials to the January and February meetings and get guidance and tips from more experienced exhibitors in preparing materials for exhibition.

- **Business Meeting, Elections, & Exchange**
Thurs., Jan. 5, 2012, 7–9 p.m.
See front page for list of nominees.

- **Program:** *History of U.S. Beekeeping*, K. Pruess.
Thurs., Jan. 19, 2012, 7–9 p.m.
- **Business Meeting & Exchange**
Thurs., Feb. 2, 2012, 7–9 p.m.
- **Program:** *Topic to be announced*
Thurs., Feb. 16, 2012, 7–9 p.m.
- **Business Meeting & Exchange**
Thurs., March 1, 2012, 7–9 p.m.
- **Program:** *Topic to be announced*
Thurs., March 15, 2012, 7–9 p.m.
- **Business Meeting & Exchange**
Thurs., April 5, 2012, 7–9 p.m.
- **Program:** *Topic to be announced*
Thurs., April 19, 2012, 7–9 p.m.

If You Have "11" by Your
Name, Send Your 2012 Dues
of \$8 to the Club by 1/25 to
Remain an Active Member.



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