LINCOLN STAMP CLUB

SOUVENIR SHEET June 2023

OFFICERS

President: LaVonne Uffelman (2022) Vice President: Brad Shay (2022) Secretary: Mark Sellhorn (2022) Treasurer: Dave Wallman (2022) Board Members: Curtis Peacock (2022) Larry Spreeman (2022)

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MEETINGS

The Club meets the second Thursday, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

LOCATION

College View Adventist Church 48th & Prescott St. Lincoln, Neb.

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Club Happenings Last Month

May 11 Meeting

We met with 24 members and one visitor (Greg Christ) attending . **LaVonne** talked about the Standing Bear Stamp first day ceremony in Lincoln on May 12. LaVonne and Brad plan to prepare about 100 FDC's and will notify everyone about ordering some at \$3/each. Everyone will be able obtain at least one, if wanted. The door prizes were won by these members:

Hans Kaiser won a sheet of Princess Diana stamps from Great Britain.Brad Shay won Ford vehicle stamp sheets from Micronesia and Marshall IslandsLarry Spreeman won a sheet of the endangered species stamps.

Brad Shay showed a May 1 article from the Cherokee Phoenix newsletter about the issuing of the Chief Standing Bear stamp.

Mark Sellhorn passed around a 1983 FDC from Iran commemorating the occupation of the "American spy nest" and taking the US embassy employees hostage.

The meeting was followed by robust and enthusiastic buying of donated material.

June 8 Meeting

Due to other activities at the church, our June meeting will be held in Fellowship Hall in the lower level (where we've met in the past). Enter the southwest corner of the church, doors 5 or 6. Go down the hallway and turn left.

May 12: Chief Standing Bear first day ceremony.

By my count, 24 club members attended the ceremony. There was a great turn out for honoring Chief Standing Bear, including many descendants; members of the Ponca nation; local dignitaries; and a lot of us common folk.



Butterflies on stamps



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Bisected Stamp, Perfins Heighten Plain Cover's Mysteries

by David M. Frye, dfrye@WideSky.biz

This relatively plain cover sports an allcaps address rendered with a Typewriter with keys that need Cleaning and a cancellation that documents a short postal journey within Newport News. But, the stamps—or more accurately, the stamp and a half heighten the

intrigue this cover presents for postal research.

Cutting a stamp into pieces was a method that produced a bisect (in this case) valued at one-half of the face value of the original stamp. Thus, the total postage on this envelope was 3 ¢, which, in August 1935, was the prevailing first-



Newport News: The Fourth Bureau Issue of definitive stamps, released beginning in 1922, featured 24 identifiable varieties of the 2¢ stamp featuring George Washington. Here, one and one-half stamps paid for first-class surface delivery.



Perfin Design: Light-blue dots help to reveal the pattern of the embedded corporate identity: C&O, the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway, now part of CSX.

stamp reveals the initials C&O, the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway.

References

1. Henry W. Beecher and Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz, U.S. Domestic Postal Rates, 1872–2011, Third Edition,

American Philatelic Society, Bellefonte, PA,

- 2011, Table 1: First-Class, Letter, Surface, p.9.
- 2. The Postal Bulletin, Vol. XLVI, No. 3761, p.1.
- 3. The Perfins Club, http://www.perfins.org;

A regulation speaks to the use of cut stamps:

STAMPS CUT IN TWO NOT GOOD FOR POSTAGE

Third Assista nt Postmaster General, Washington, April 28, 1925.

The attention of postmasters is invited to paragraph 3, section 522, Postal Laws and Regulations, from which it will be seen that mutilated or fractional parts of stamps cut from embossed stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers, or postal cards may not be used or counted in payment of postage and matter bearing such stamps shall be treated as held for postage. Patrons should be advised that it is not permissible to cut a 1-cent stamp in two in an endeavor to pay the fractional part of a cent postage on mail. Stamps of the denomination of one-half cent and 1½ cents are furnished for this purpose.

All matter bearing stamps cut in two should be held for postage.

W. IRVING GLOVER, Third Assistant Postmaster General.²

The die-cut holes in the stamps make them *perfins*, "stamps that have been perforated with designs, initials, or numerals by private business and governmental agencies to discourage theft and misuse."³ The

Club Notes

We meet in person at our location, College View Adventist Church, 48th and Prescott. Please join us in the company of other philatelists.

Welcome

The Lincoln Stamp Club welcomes guests to every meeting of the Club. Dues are only \$12/year. Membership forms are on the Web: 2 Membership: www. lincolnstampclub.org/membership/.StampClub.

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Meetings

- I : Meeting: Thursday, June 8 Club activities
- Meeting: Thursday, July 13
 Colonial Stamps of Germany, Italy, Belgium, Denmark and The Netherlands Territories

By Bob Ferguson

Coming Up

Omaha Stamp Show

June 24 10am - 5pm June 25 10am—4pm Metro Community College 2909 Edward "Babe" Gomez Ave.



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