

Oct. 9 is
National
Leif Erikson
Day



Poway Stamp Club Newsletter

San Diego County's Best Stamp Collecting Club

Oct 4, 2019

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Poway Stamp Club

The Club goals are "to promote a closer social relationship among stamp collectors of Poway, San Diego and vicinity, and to assist in spreading the knowledge of stamps and the pleasures derived from stamp collecting to those interested in philately."

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Next Meeting:

The next Poway Stamp Club meeting will be held on **Wednesday October 9th, 2019**. The program will be:



*Circuit Books
and*

Member Trading Extravaganza!

Meeting time: The meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 PM.

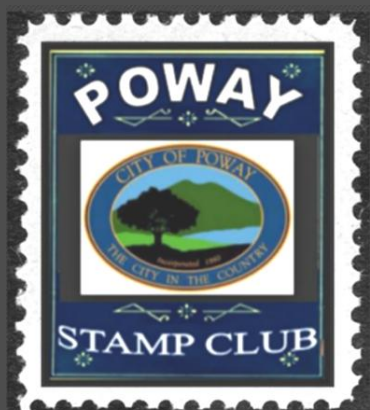
Meeting Place: 12675 Danielson Court, Suite #413 (in the back of the building), Poway, California 92064.

Please remember to bring your badge. The office phone number in case you need it is 1-858-748-5633.

This week's meeting will begin with our regular Club business including (Show & Tell + Drawing) followed by the distribution of APS circuit books. Club members who do not wish to participate in the circuit books are encouraged to bring in stamps and other items for sale or trade with other club members.

The following Wednesday October 23rd will be the:

PSC Club Auction
By
Auctioneer Duane Pryhoda



2019 PSC Club Officers:

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Stamp on Page 1

The Stamp Image on page one is U.S. # 1359 6c Leif Erikson issue. SC-1359 was issued on October 9, 1968 to commemorate the famous Viking. Leif was the son of Eric the Red of Greenland. It is believed that around 1000 A.D., Leif sailed on the east coast of North America with around 35 men. It is believed that they may have sailed as far south as Maine or Massachusetts.

Club Meeting Presentations

The following is this year's proposed meeting schedule; all events are proposed and subject to change as necessary to accommodate other events such as Auctions etc.

2019-20 (Proposed) PSC Meeting Schedule

October	Oct 9, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Oct 23, 2019	PSC Club Auction
November	Nov 13, 2019	Club Donations Voice Sale & Circuit Book Meeting
December	Dec 11, 2019	<i>Holiday Party</i>
January	Jan 08, 2020	Club Donations Voice Sale & Circuit Book Meeting
	Jan 22, 2020	Eric E. Chaulsett on Washington-Franklins
February	Feb 12, 2020	Club Donations Voice Sale & Circuit Book Meeting
	Feb 26, 2020	Trice Klauber China Rev.
March	Mar 11, 2020	Club Donations Voice Sale & Circuit Book Meeting
	Mar 25, 2020	TBD





**POWAY STAMP
CLUB
APS #1137-112097**

Club meetings are held every
second and fourth
Wednesday of each month
except November &
December at:

Philatelic Library
12675 Danielson Ct #413,
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More info at:
www.powaystampclub.com

Participation

All Stamp Club and Library
members are strongly
encouraged to provide input
for the bi-monthly Club
newsletter. Your knowledge
and expertise should really
be shared. Please submit
items to the Club Secretary
at:

PSCphilately@gmail.com

Club Website

Try our new website at:

PowayStampClub.com

You will find our activities
and affiliations, interesting
links, contact information
including the current and
previous versions of this
Newsletter! Give it a try!
You can use the Web
Presence to introduce
others to our Club.



***October
Available Circuit Books***

Members,

This week is our APS Circuit Book Meeting. The **17** new Circuits received are listed below:

1. Germany & France
2. Canada
3. Australia
4. US, mostly 19th century, including covers
5. Malaysia, Malaya, Straights Settlements, No. Borneo, Labuan
6. Denmark (1840-1940)
7. Greece
8. British Oceania: Fiji, Br. Sol Is., Christmas Is, Cook Is, Cocos Island, Gilbert & Ellice, Nauru, New Guinea, Niue, Norfolk, Papua, Pang, Penrhyn Island, Pitcairn, Tonga, Samoa
9. Liberia
10. US Back of Book
11. German States (Bavaria/Baden/Brunswick/Prussia/No. German Federation/ Thurn & Taxis /Wurttemberg)
12. Germany
13. Airmail & Aviation (P)
14. Saar
15. United States Wine and Documentary
16. British America - Bermuda
17. Lourenco Marques

Hopefully, you will find an area of interest to you. We will be holding regular club business and then moving into Circuit Books after the meeting raffle. Please, feel free to bring in items to share, sell or trade with other members. Remember to bring your tongs, magnifiers, glasses, want lists and be sure to bring some cash or a checkbook to make purchases.

Trice Klauber
APS Circuit Manager

San Diego Philatelic Library

The San Diego County Philatelic Library is a not-for-profit philatelic library in Poway, San Diego County, California. Operated by friendly volunteers. Your stamp library consists of approximately 16,000 volumes of books, monographs, catalogs, and periodicals.

Library Loose Stamps

The Philatelic library provides a large bucket of assorted stamps for visitor inspection. Please remember to always leave a suitable contribution for any stamp items removed from the bucket.

Library Hours:

The Library hours vary based upon who can take a shift, the hours usually are:

10 to 2:00	Monday
12 to 5:30	Tuesday
12 to 3:00	Wednesday
10 to 2:00	Thursday
3 to 6:00	Friday
1 to 5:00	Saturday

Plus additional hours by appointment only.

Before you visit please call to verify staffing is available.

1-858-748-5633.

Club Notes:

1. **SWAPEX** – Is held on the first Saturday of each month in the Philatelic Library. The next will be held on Saturday **October 5, 2019**. 9 AM to 1 PM. SWAPEX is a friendly and informal stamp exchange.

2. **SANDIPEX – Sunday Oct 6, 2019**

San Diego Philatelic Expo SANDIPEX Stamp Show Free Admission! – Free Parking! Doors Open from 10am – 4pm

The show is located just 4 blocks to the north of the Philatelic Library on Poway Road. The show is held at the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge #2543, 13219 Poway Road Poway, CA 92064 . The following is a list of the current 2019 SANDIPEX Monthly show dates.

Oct 6
Nov 10
Dec 8

3. **Support your Club** – With over **55 active members**, the Poway Club is San Diego County's most active Stamp Club. Feel free to forward this Newsletter to anyone you think may find it interesting. You may also support the club by joining the APS. The club will receive a finder's fee for each member who joins the society. Let the stamp community know that we are an alive, vibrant and thriving club!
4. **Show & Tell** – Do you have an interesting philatelic item to share at our next meeting? Bring it in and share it with us as we would love to see it!
5. **Tied Cover** – A method or way of identifying the authenticity of a stamp on cover. The cancellation of a stamp typically leaves an impression on both the stamp and the cover itself. When tied the stamp will show that it was already affixed to the cover before being cancelled. Most collectors prefer stamps that are "tied" because it helps to ensure the authenticity of higher value covers.
6. **Mourning Covers** – During the 20th century in the days before the internet, death notices and/or condolences were frequently mailed using envelopes that have a distinct black-boarder. These covers are now referred to by philatelists as a "mourning cover."
7. **Cachet Cover** – An envelope or cover can also be adorned with a picture that is printed, stamped, or glued onto the envelope. This is called a cacheted cover. Covers with no cachets are likewise called un-cacheted covers.

Member Spotlight!

By: Jon Schrag



The Poway Stamp Club Newsletter highlights one of its members each issue. Today's spotlight is on **ARDEN SIMONI**

“GUAM GUARD MAIL” stamps and covers are the primary focus for new member # 478, ARDEN SIMONI. The stamps are especially historical. Originally issued by the US NAVY as overprints on USA stamps of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, the stamps are now listed in Scott USA with “M” headings (for military). Guam Guard Mail stamps have higher catalog values for used and on cover varieties than for mint.

Arden now lives in Carlsbad. He has an especially unique and fascinating INTERNATIONAL personal career including living in GERMANY for 3 years and in RUSSIA for 10 years. His interest in philately has been slowly growing since childhood and has recently “explosively re-emerged” after a 50 year gap. Welcome to The Poway Stamp Club...ARDEN SIMONI!

Definitions

The following definition of EFO and other terms is here in support of the ongoing Editors Corner series on EFO's and Counterfeits.

EFO is the shorthand for "Error, Freak, or Oddity". It's a term applied to philatelic items that were formed unintentionally abnormal.

Errors: Are usually "major" errors having catalog status where something in the process has gone entirely wrong. Examples of "errors" are consistent, unintentional deviations from the normal and typically are stamps that are wrongly perforated, both between or completely imperforated, FULL color(s) omitted, inverts, multiple impressions, missing watermarks or tagging and FULL stamps on either side of an interpane gutter, etc.

Freaks: Also called "varieties", are generally defined as a lesser degree of production problem. Typically freaks have flaws that are not consistent or do not have catalog status. Examples of freaks include ink smudges, off center perforation shifts, partially missing colors or color shifts, pre-printing paper folds, paper creases, over or under inked stamps, and so forth. Freaks often sell for less than their "error" counterparts. Printing plate cracks, wear and other flaws such as repairs or re-entries are freaks and not typically considered to be errors.

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Editors Corner

By D. Klauber

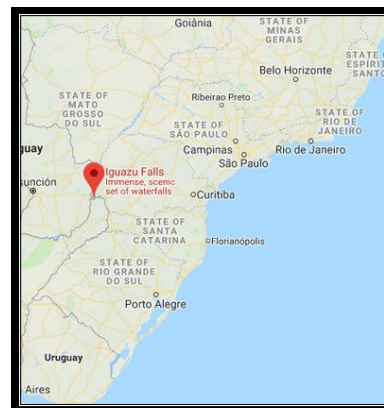
Topical Stamp Collecting

Iguazu Falls, Brazil.

In 1975 the Editor had the opportunity to visit the Iguazu Falls (Iguacu in Portuguese) falls on a trip to Sao Paulo Brazil. The Iguazu Falls are waterfalls of the Iguazu River on the border between Argentina and the Brazilian state of Paraná.



1955 Plane over Iguazu Falls
SC #639 5 pesos



Location of Iguazu Falls Brazil



Oddities: The catch-all category for anything that is left. Oddities can be subtle problems that do not have catalog status. Examples can be cancel and plate varieties, inverted USPS cancels, very minor perforation shifts, minor color shifts, etc. Most oddities are a curiosity and have lower EFO values.

There continues to be a debate about the definition of freaks vs oddities. This is one area where a classification can be a matter of personal opinion.

Frequently the debate is over pre-printing paper folds and centers on how minor (oddy) or how major (freak) a fold is. As it turns out, one mans freak, is a another mans oddity.

Counterfeit, Forgery, or Fake.

Counterfeit: Fraudulent reproduction of a stamp meant to defraud the issuing authority. (Typically used as postage)

Forgery: fraudulent reproduction or alteration of a stamp meant to defraud (not the issuing authority), In philately, forged stamps are altered to defraud the buyer.

Fakes An imitation stamp, or reprint. There are many fakes on the market, typically sold as fakes they are rarely sold as genuine. In philately, fakes are an expression of art are not offered as genuine to defraud. (reprints may be considered fakes)

For more information on definitions of and values for many EFOs. See the S.R. Dazt book, "Catalogues of Errors on US Postage Stamps."

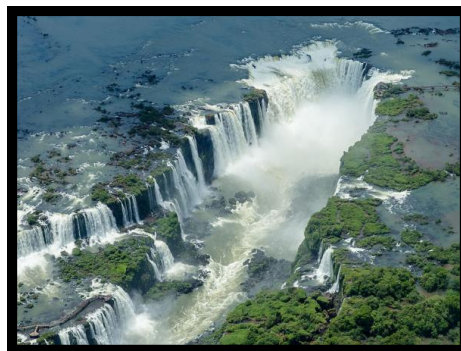
The falls divide the river into the upper and lower Iguazu (meaning Great Water). Together they make up the largest waterfalls system in the world. The cataracts are complex with almost 300 separate waterfalls which drop an average of 220 feet over a front of 1.7 miles. Additionally, the falls are so complex that it is nearly impossible for stamp designers or even photographers to capture the amazing spectacle that is this most amazing of places.



Argentina 2002. Part of a set of eight stamps

For this article the editor found a plethora of both Brazilian and Argentinean stamps that depict the beautiful Iguazu falls. It would be quite easy to create a topical album that contained nothing but waterfall stamps. A good-looking topical stamp collection of Iguazu Falls could be assembled at little cost, with issuing countries including Argentina, Brazil, the United Nations, and others.

The Garganta del Diablo, the Devil's Throat, is an abyss where torrents of water thunder downward. A walkway has been created right to the brink of the falls. You can look straight down from this vantage point and hear the mighty roar while being drenched by the continuous spray



The Devil's Throat

The bulk of the river rages down the devils throat an apt appellation, for in this great inferno the water roars, tears about and displays every possible color as it springs from the V-shaped channel created by erosion. Its torrent is so violent that it heaves about colossal stones. It is here upon one of these giant stones that an American once carved the phrase "Poor Niagara."

Upon leaving the Devil's Throat, the water moves along one side of San Martin Island, while the wide and semi-circular sweep of the rest of the volume of water including San Martin Falls goes on the other side. The two volumes meet at a point past the island 12 miles below to join the Parana river. The rainy season can add a depth of 10 feet to the falls. In the Devil's Throat in May to June may raise the water as much as 120 feet above the dry season level. The maximum flow is estimated at 40,000,000 cubic feet per minute.



Map depicting the Falls Complex Devil's throat and massive stretch of san Martin falls on right

An Argentinean stamp, from 2014, makes the attempt to depict the Devil's Throat (Scott 10 peso 2725c). Behind and just to the left of the Toucan's head. On the right is a 10 peso stamp of San Martin Falls as part of the Iguazu complex.



April 2014 Argentine Souvenir Sheet (4) stamps

The souvenir sheet from Argentina is a composition with wildlife and vegetation of the region with the water fall depicted. On left side is the \$10 stamp of Devil's Throat in the background of the stamp, which consists of a U-shaped 82 meter high, 82 meter wide and 700 meter long chasm where half of the river flows.

Both Brazil and Argentina have over-time, issued stamps to commemorate and promote the falls. The first, from Argentina in 1936, was SC#448 5 pesos. The stamp shows a large palm with two tiers of beautiful falls behind it. The Argentinean stamp was followed closely by a set of stamps from Brazil.



1936, SC 448 5 pesos

Iguacu National Park was Brazil's first National park, created in 1939. By that time, Brazil had its own stamps honoring the falls: a 1,000 reis denomination and a 5,000r (Scott 456), both with the same design, inscribed "Cataratas de Iguassu".



Brazil SC#455-6 "Cataratas de Iguassu"

Do you have items of interest or photos of PSC philatelic interest to share?

If yes, you can submit them to the editor of the PSC Newsletter for inclusion in our newest Newsletter Club Wanderings page.

The Iguazu River rises near the city of Curitiba and for most of its course, the river flows through Brazil, with most of the falls on the Argentine side. The Iguazu River forms the boundary between Argentina and Brazil.



Iguaçu National Park (Argentina) was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1984, and Iguacu National Park (Brazil) followed in 1986. Both parks are well-engineered to provide amazing vistas of the many waterfalls while simultaneously protecting the rare Atlantic Rain Forest ecosystems

In 1939 one of the UPU stamps showed a nice view of the falls; SC 462 25 c.



1939, SC 462 25c



Brazil 1978 Iguacu Falls

Other countries have also designed and issued similar topical stamps.



2008 80 yen Japanese Stamp
Iguaçu Falls



SC #1710 Argentina 1990. Americas Issue.



Scenes of Brazil 2013 Sierra Leone



Iguaçu Falls Montserrat 2016 Cat. Yt:1599

For those interested in topical Waterfall stamps the following is a list of Scott Pre-1940 Stamps with Waterfalls:

United States 297, 568, 568a, 699, 699a. *Argentina* 443, 458, 463-4, *Belgian East Africa* 4, 5, *Belgium* B93, B96, *Brazil* 455-456. *British Guiana* 153, 155, 158, 158a, 158c 207, 209, 213, 213a, 218, 231, 235. *Cameroons* 232-38 *Canada* 225, *Chile* 198, *Columbia* 444, 454 456, F24, o12. *Congo* 17 18, 18a, 19, 20, 21, 32, 32a, 34, 42, 46, 49, 61, 62 8, 69, 77 78, 86, 87, 141, 169 b2, b4, b26, *Cuba* C28, *Estonia* 112, 149, *French Guinea* 141-151, *French Oceania* j10-14, *German East Africa* N2, N4, N10, N12, N18, N20, NB2, NB4, *Iceland* 170-75, 193, C7, *Jamaica* 31, 32, *Japan* 281, 284, *Yugoslavian* C3, *Latvia* 205, *Lebanon* 131. *Liberia* 191, 205, o123, 0137, *Mexico* 301, 309, 056, 064, 074, *Newfoundland* 144, 159, 182, *Nicaragua* C123, *Panama* 204, *Paraguay* *Philippines* 357, 364, *Reunion* 126-35, 155, 157, 159, 161-62, *Rhodesia* 76, -81, *St Lucia* 97, 100, *Salvador* 154, 157, 158, 167, 170, 171, 174a, O21 O33, O87, O87a, O99, *Samoa* 174, *Southern Rhodesia* 19-20, 31, 32, 37, 38-41, 61, *South West Africa* 157-58, *Switzerland* 219, 225, 227, 233, 234, O1, O6, O7, 2042, 2047, 2o52, 2053, 3038, 3043, 3048 *Tasmania*, 91 93, 106, 107, 115, 116, *Trinidad and Tobago* 42, 58,

Soapbox

By D. Klauber

Your Regional Philatelic Library

In April 2018, The PSC Newsletter editor interviewed Bob Eygenhuysen in order to better understand Southern California's only Philatelic Library. The following article describes this valuable resource.

The San Diego Philatelic Library is an educational and literary endeavor that is operated by the San Diego County Philatelic Council. This not for profit entity was incorporated to serve the collectors of San Diego County. The Library was established to promote and facilitate the pursuit of stamp collecting at all levels. The San Diego Philatelic Library is proud of what has been accomplished by its unpaid Volunteers. The all-volunteer organization has about 28 individuals who provide various services to operate the facility. These folks work to keep the doors open, and draw as many interested parties as possible into the service area. The Library hours vary and are based upon who can take a shift, plus additional hours can be arranged by appointment only.

Many generous philatelists have donated almost everything imaginable to the Library. The Library has a 501(c) status with the Internal Revenue Service as well as California, and as such is a public charity. Donors of gifts, books, catalogs, albums, covers, stamps, etc. to the Library are entitled to a charitable deduction from itemized adjusted gross incomes. Some library donations are re-gifted to youth groups or other kids interested in the hobby. Some may go to John Hotchner's Stamps for the Wounded, in Falls Church Virginia through the Library's oldest volunteer, 99 year old Bob Lackner. But most goes to sale to keep the lights on.

Be sure to watch for SDPL sales on E-bay at the Library's on-line store (see sandiegophilateliclibrary.org). Frequent voice sales are another integral part of the library, and as feasible, the Library holds these auctions at its Poway location. The next Library Auction will be held Saturday October 19th 2019.

One of the most active groups that utilizes the library is the Poway Stamp Club. The Club holds its meetings at 6:30 sharp, the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. But the SDPL is far more than just a library; their knowledgeable volunteers can offer assistance to persons who have "inherited" stamp accumulations, helping them find the value and sale options for their collections. The Library is only one of eight independent library research centers in the United States. Please call to make an appointment to stop by and visit with the volunteers, and take advantage of this very valuable resource.



Member Classifieds

If you would like to have a **Free** advertisement in the PSC Newsletter, please email: PSCphilately@gmail.com

For Sale: A collection of over 380 Czechoslovakian Field Post Office cards. Most seem to be dated 1938. Housed in three volumes, all items protected. \$300 or best offer. Email, waoconnor@aol.com or leave message at 760-723-7372.

Bill O'Connor

For Sale: Want lists serviced for stamps of Puerto Rico. Fill holes in your collection with mostly lower catalog value stamps. See Bob at a PSC meeting or call 858-278-7873

Bob Schappelle

For Sale: Worldwide sets, Singles and Souvenir sheets. 60% off Catalog to all Club Members. Offer valid anywhere you see me. Phone: 714-476-3698 Email: CBCSTAMP@AOL.com.

Chuck Bigler.

For Sale: \$525. Cat of worldwide souvenir sheets, some high Cat machins. \$100. Call **Duane** at 858-735-3800

Duane Pryhoda

For Sale: Stamps at Bargain Prices, Come and see my Stock. By appointment so please call to set up a time. Home Phone: 858-271-0262 Mobile Phone: 858-449-3047

Al Kish

For Sale: Oct. is the month for the Christmas USPS issue. You can get classic Christmas stamps from Morgan at below catalog prices. Limited quantities, all U.S. mint never hinged.

Morgan Christen

Wanted: U.S. 1893 Columbian issue errors, freaks and oddities. Top dollar paid for Columbian plate varieties especially double transfers. **For Sale:** large selection of used and mint Australia, Great Britain, and Japan including single stamps and souvenir sheets at a fraction of catalog value. Email your want list to Bob McArthur (rmcarthur@cox.net) or bring to a PSC meeting."

Bob McArthur

Wanted: Puerto Rico Town cancels. Bring to meeting. Will trade or buy. See member M. Marti PSC # 410.

Wanted: Imperial China, PRC, Manchukuo, Mongolia, U.S. Double Transfers/Re-entries, U.S. 19th Century Proofs and Essays. U.S. 19th Century. See D & T Klauber at Wednesday PSC meeting or contact us at Indysmama@gmail.com.

Supplies:



Thanks to Chris Diaz at Stamp Paraphernalia for updating their PSC site information on the net.

Check out their online store for all your Philatelic supply needs.

Subscription Services: Bill Wacenske a Member of the PSC recommends Scott A. Shaulis for the purposes of purchasing Quality US stamps. Scott Shaulis provides a US New Issue Subscription Service for your consideration www.shaulisstamps.com or contact Scott a scott@shaulisstamps.com.



Stamp News:



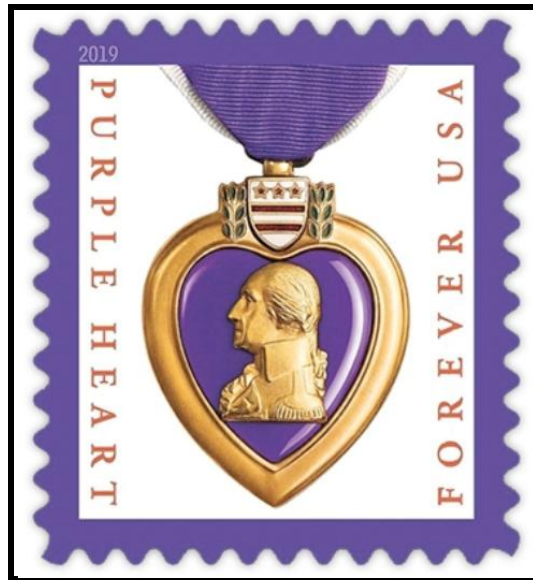
New Stamps United States Postal Service Stamps

Sept 17, 2019 | Forever 55 cents | Multiple Stamp Design



Sept. 17, Winter Berries. Four (55¢) forever definitive stamps in double-sided pane of 20; winterberry, juniper berry, beautyberry, soapberry; Tulsa, OK. The release of the newest USPS winter offering: Winter Berries Forever. The stamps, which will be sold in panes of twenty, feature four botanical portraits of vibrant winter plants on a spare white background: the winterberry (*Ilex verticillata*), the juniper berry (*Juniperus communis*), the beautyberry (*Callicarpa americana*) and the soapberry (*Sapindus saponaria*). Art director Antonio Alcalá and artist Steve Buchanan designed the set. The stamp dedication ceremony has been scheduled for September 17, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the Tulsa Botanic Garden.

**October 4, 2019 | Forever 55cents | Single Stamp Design (pane 20)
Purple Heart**



Purple Heart stamp

The United States Postal Service will issue its newest iteration of the Purple Heart stamp Oct. 4 with a first-day ceremony at the Indypex stamp show. News of the non-denominated (55¢) forever stamp was first reported in *Linn's* Aug. 26 issue. The ceremony will take place at the stamp show site, the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds and Exhibition Center, 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville, Ind.

The stamp design features the medal (with part of its ribbon) that is awarded to U.S. military personnel who have been wounded or killed in action. The medal design shows a left-facing profile of Washington within a purple heart framed in gold. Above Washington is a representation of his family crest. The medal is suspended from a purple ribbon bordered in white.

The Purple Heart medal has appeared on U.S. stamps with great regularity since 2003, when a 37¢ self-adhesive stamp was printed. The most recent variety was issued in October 2015. The 2015 version of the Purple Heart stamp remains on sale at some post offices and from the USPS Stamp Fulfillment Services division.

October 11, 2019 | Forever 55cents | Multiple Stamp Design (pane 20)



SPOOKY SILHOUETTES

The United States Postal Service is turning on the special effects for its 2019 Halloween stamp issue. The non-denominated (55¢) Spooky Silhouettes forever stamp set of four will be issued Oct. 11, just in time to mail Halloween greetings. The stamps are being printed by flexography using rainbow foil. A description in the Fall 2019 issue of *USA Philatelic*, the Postal Service's mail order catalog, adds that "Beneath the ink of each image lies a layer of iridescent pigment."

The four images show spooky scenes captured as silhouettes through Gothic style windows. On the first stamp, an arched window frames a raven on a bare tree branch with a black cat below against a yellow sky background. Two cathedral style windows show wispy ghost figures, one sad and one smiling. Behind them is an orange tint. On the third stamp, a window with heavy curtains reveals a giant spider approaching its web. The background is a deep glowing red. The final stamp depicts another arched window with three flying bats. Black stars are also visible in the deep purple sky.

Important: The Postal Service employees have been directed not to split these panes to sell stamps individually. Only Forty million stamps are being printed and processed by USPS contractor Ashton Potter.

The first-day ceremony for the Spooky Silhouettes stamps will take place at 5 p.m. Friday at Emerson Park Stage, 6 Mount Vernon St., in Milford, N.H., as part of the Oct. 11-13 Milford Pumpkin Festival.

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