



Poway Stamp Club

Newsletter

March 13, 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 March 13, 2019**. Please plan to attend and enjoy:

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 + Raffle) 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.



2019 PSC Club Officers:

President: Art Berg
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Stamp on Page 1

1992 29c New York Stock Exchange Bicentennial, Center Inverted (2630c).

The Stamp on page 1 is a 1992 Stock Exchange Bicentennial error stamp and known as the last invert that the United States Post Office printed. The stamp commemorates the 200th anniversary of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). Only 56 of these stamps are known to exist. A copy of this stamp sold at a Siegel auction sale in 2010 for \$10,000



*February
Available Circuit Books*

Members,

This week will be our third APS Circuit Book Meeting. The 17 new Circuits received are listed below:

- US 19th Century**
- Israel 1948-94**
- Bermuda**
- Philippines, Back of Book, Airmail, Unused**
- Switzerland**
- Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania**
- Canada 1870-1952**
- Australia#54-133**
- Vatican City**
- BC Singapore**
- Trieste-Zone A**
- Saar**
- Liechtenstein**
- Jersey/Guernsey**
- German States**
- US Back of Book**
- Denmark**

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.

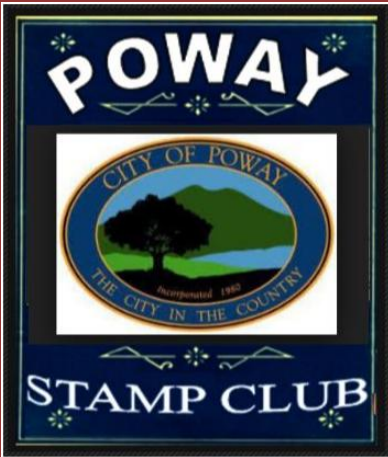
Trice Klauber
APS Circuit Manager

Club Meeting Presentations (2019)

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

2019 (Proposed) PSC Meeting Schedule

March	Mar 13, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Mar 27, 2019	Thor Strom – Printing Methods
April	Apr 10, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Apr 24, 2019	David Klauber - EFOs
May	May 8, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	May 22, 2019	Bill O'Connor - TBD
June	Jun 12, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Jun 26, 2019	Bill Kolb - APS Movie
July	Jul 10, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Jul 24, 2019	Art Berg - TBD
August	Aug 14, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Aug 28, 2019	Collin Fort - Tax & Transfer.
September	Sep 11, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Sep 25, 2019	Morgan Christian (Creative Stamp Teaching)
October	Oct 9, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting
	Oct 23, 2019	Trice Klauber China Rev.
November	Nov 13, 2019	Circuit Book Meeting



Club Participation

All Stamp Club and Library members are strongly encouraged to provide input into this bi-monthly newsletter. Your knowledge and expertise should really be shared. Please submit article items to the Club Secretary at Indysmama@gmail.com

Club Notes:

1. **SWAPEX** – Is held on the first Saturday of every month in the Philatelic Library. The next one will be on Saturday April 6, 2019. 9 AM to 1 PM. SWAPEX is a friendly and informal stamp exchange.
2. **Support your Club** – With over **50 active members**, the Poway Stamp 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!
3. **Poway Stamp Club Website** – Have you seen our Clubs new Web presence? Try it www.powaystampclub.com you will find our activities and affiliations, interesting links, contact information and available online the current version and previous versions of this Newsletter! Give it a try!
4. **Club Membership Dues Are Due!** – Remember that annual dues are payable in January. Keep in good standing with the PSC and help to support **your** club.
5. **SANDIPEX – Sunday March 10, 2018**

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.

Mar 10
Apr 7
May 26
Jun 9
Jul 14
Aug 11
Sep 8
Oct 6
Nov 10
Dec 8

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
?	Friday
1 to 5:00	Saturday

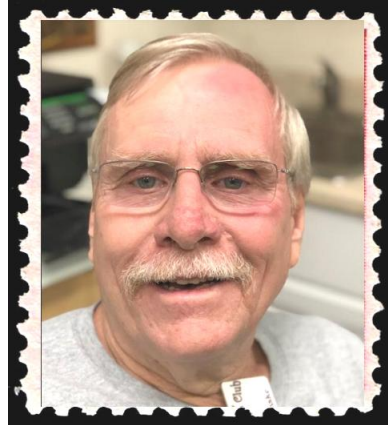
Plus additional hours by appointment only.

Before you visit please call to verify staffing is available.

1-858-748-5633.

Member Spotlight!

By: Jon Schrag



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

Morgan Christian.

Sixty years ago Tony Gianelli, an American-Italian retired U.S. Navy sailor told a local neighbor kid he needed his lawn mowed. He said he would give the neighbor kid some INTERESTING STAMPS as a reward for the yard work. The deal was done! And ever since Tony Gianelli made that offer, **MORGAN CHRISTIAN** has been an avid stamp collector.

Morgan is currently focused on MNH US, Japan, and Germany stamps as his main collecting interests. He has exceptionally interesting US BICENTENNIAL Washington "EFO" souvenir sheets in his collection and he knows the intricate varieties of the issue very well.

Ask Morgan about his long sleeve shirts that feature bold imprints featuring Boys & Girls Clubs, the Philatelic Library, and the Poway Stamp Club. As a life member of PSC he is doing admirable work promoting stamp collecting to young people and adults because "it is fun and wholesome for all."

Thank you **MORGAN CHRISTIAN** for doing that lawn work 60 years ago and for being an admirable stamp collector ever since! Today **MORGAN** sums up his feelings very concisely, "I like the Poway Stamp Club and the people in the club."

Editors Corner

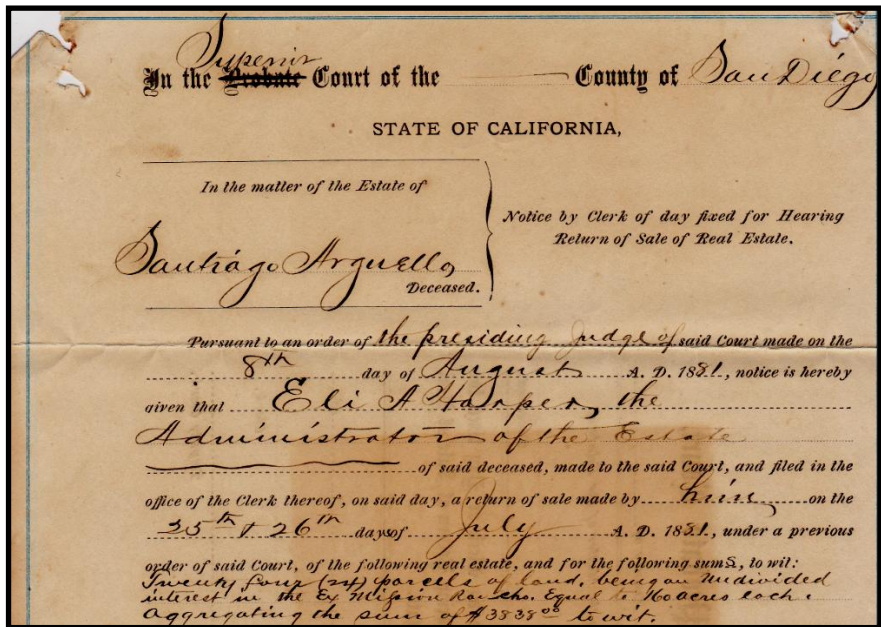
By D. Klauber

Back Country Collecting



Cuyamaca Rancho Philately

A few years ago, the Editor purchased at auction, a bundle of letters and documents. The lot was purchased because it contained several stamped letters and a document showing the purchase of 640 acres of land from Dr. Eli Harper by Abraham Klauber. The land was previously owned by Augustine Olvera and then Santiago Arguello. The land in modern Descanso was part of the original Olvera Rancho Cuyamaca Land Grant. I would later discover that these items were steeped in San Diego County history. The following article reveals the ties that these letters and documents have in the context of Philately and San Diego counties rich back-country history.



Aug 1881 disposition of Arguello Estate by Dr. Eli Harper
(Courtesy D. Klauber)

The history of San Diego's Rancho Cuyamaca and the areas southeast of the San Diego River differ from that of the other ranches of the rest of California as well as San Diego County. The rest of the San Diego region was not part of the Mexican Period Grants and as such it was settled by families or homesteaders. This difference along with the "hostility" of the local Native Americans in the Cuyamacas suppressed its growth. The Southern Ranches were not heavily populated during either the Spanish or the (12 year Mexican period). As the Indians were displaced, mostly after 1850, homesteading and livestock raising increased. Rancho Cuyamaca was a Spanish land grant of 8 square leagues (35,501.32 acres) which was granted to Augustine Olvera on August 1845, slightly less than a year before U.S. Troops occupied San Diego in July of 1846. Although Olvera had taken possession and surveyed the grant by the spring of 1846, he had no time to develop it prior to the American conquest.

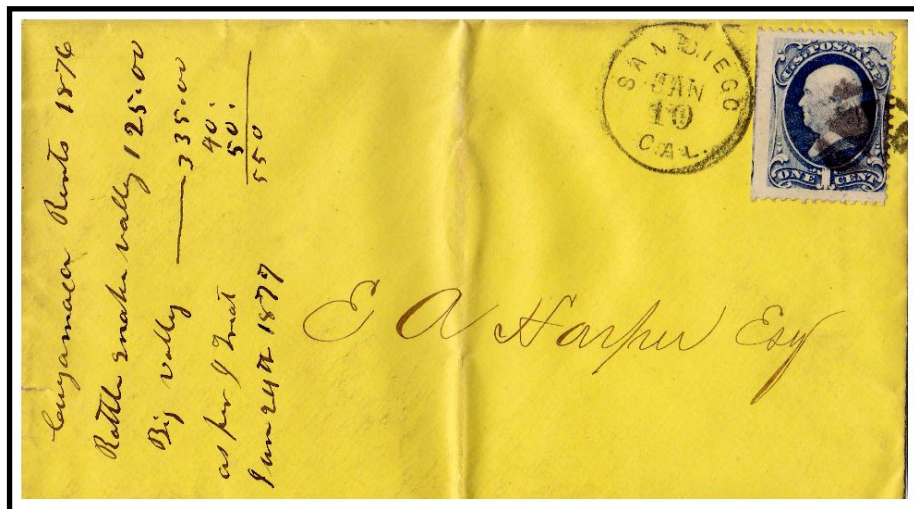
During the 1850s and '60s Olvera found himself like many other rancho owners, defending his rights before the U.S. Land Commission. Like most of his Spanish/Mexican California countrymen, he found the experience a financial burden. In 1850 the Commission rejected Olvera's claim. Then in 1858 the case was reheard, and his claim was upheld with the grant eventually confirmed in 1869. Olvera then sold the land to the Ranchos earliest settlers. He gave one third to Isaac Hartman in April 1869, for legal services rendered. In July 1869 he sold the remaining two thirds to Samuel Stewart for twenty thousand dollars. Stewart then conveyed one half of his two thirds to Allison for eleven thousand dollars and one quarter to John Treat for six thousand dollars. He later sold the remaining one fourth to Alison and **Juan M. Luco** jointly for five thousand dollars.

In 1870, the following year gold was discovered in the Julian area north of Cuyamaca. In February 1870 two separate gold deposits were discovered near the Baileys' camp. Drury Bailey located a quartz ledge, "Warrior's Rest," a few days before H. C. Bickers discovered the Washington Mine. Together the men formed the Julian Mining District in 1870, in order to protect the interests of the miners in the area.

Later in May 1870, the new Cuyamaca landowners moved on the miners to try to control the goldmines. Robert Allison, John Treat, Juan M. Luco and Isaac Hartman who had purchased land south of Julian from Olvera in 1869 claimed that their northern most boundaries encompassed the area of the Julian mines demanding royalties from the miners. The rancho owners based their claim on descriptions by Ortega in 1846 stating that the northern edge of the ranch border was in Rancho Santa Ysabel. A survey by James Pascoe, dated June 9, was based on the description by Ortega, showed the mining district within Rancho boundaries. Among the plaintiffs was Juan M. Luco Esq., a Lawyer of Chilean ancestry, who was known as a land swindler in San Francisco. In late July 1870 C.J. Fox completed a separate survey map for the miners that was based on a Mexican period *diseño*, or sketch, of the ranch. This survey showed that the mining district was situated around five miles north of the Cuyamaca Grant.

After several years in court, the latter survey was confirmed and in the end, the miners prevailed. The matter was closed permanently by President Ulysses S. Grant when he approved the official land grant boundaries on December 19, 1874. The Rancho now contained the original 35,501.32 acres including North Peak and all of Cuyamaca Valley to the north, Rattlesnake Valley (Lucky 5 Ranch) to the east, and Guatay or Descanso Valley to the south. The current area of Cuyamaca Rancho State Park is only a portion of this original grant. During the closing years of the 19th century sheep and cattle continued to graze on the Cuyamaca. In 1879 the grant was subdivided into fourteen parcels that were distributed among ten owners: Wallace Leach, John Treat, Robert Allison, Juan Luco, Eli Harper, and John Mulkins in addition to four others.

But land titles are difficult to hold and several suits were filed later in an attempt to “quiet the titles”. Such a case was Harper v. Rowe. The two following covers contain letters that pertained to the lands in this case. One describing rents paid and expenditures for some of the Arguello land deeds to Allison and Luco during 1874-76.



SC#156 on Cover Luco to Eli Harper Describing 1874-7 Cuyamaca Rents

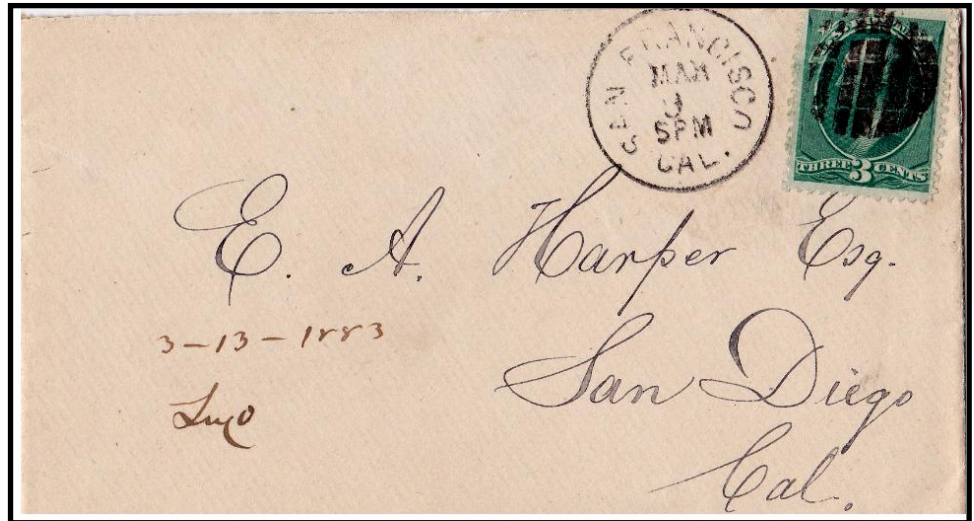
By 1881 it would appear that the titles were settled and the following sale documents show a large tract of land being sold to several San Diego County residents. The acreage sold primarily for \$1 an acre or 160 dollars per 160 acre parcel s. (What a deal!)

Juan M. Luco. Undivided Interest of said Rancho, for	\$176.00
S. A. Hollister	160.00
Jos M ^c Coy.	160.00
E. B. Hall	160.00
James M ^c Coy.	160.00
J. M. Luco	160.00
Jos M ^c Coy	160.00
do do	160.00
J. M. Luco	176.00
A. Klauber	160.00
J. M. Luco	184.00
Jos M ^c Coy	160.00
E. B. Hall	176.00
A. Klauber	160.00
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J. M. Luco	160.00
A. Klauber	160.00
Jos M ^c Coy	160.00
do do	160.00
A. Klauber	160.00
Jos M ^c Coy	160.00
J. M. Luco	144.00
John Callahan	152.00
	\$3838.00

Aug 1881 List of land purchasers for Arguello Estate by Dr. Eli Harper

So who were some of these men who were listed in the Land document? James McCoy was the former Sheriff of San Diego County, in 1860 and 1861, grazed his sheep all over the mountains, on the lands ranging from Santa Ysabel rancho and Julian and the neighborhood of the third Cuyamaca peak. Hollister was a rancher and was said to have had some 4,000 head of sheep near Green Valley, Klauber a San Diego Merchant and Juan M. Luco who was a lawyer and part-time land swindler.

Another signed letter in the collection included a letter from Luco to Harper thanking him for information on Mrs. Rowe and asking about potential rents for the Cuyamaca properties that he now owned.



**SC#156 1883 on Cover Luco to Eli Harper
thanking for Info on Rowe and on potential for rents on his Cuyamaca lands.**

The Cuyamaca Rancho became best known as the location of Stonewall mine, which began operation in 1871. In 1886 former California Governor Robert Whitney Waterman purchased the mine and 26,000 acres of the ranch. This parcel would eventually become Cuyamaca Rancho State Park. Waterman developed the Stonewall, which produced over \$900,000 in gold between 1888 and 1891. Water removal and other costs eventually ended the underground workings and after leaching the tailings, the mine closed for the last time in 1908, by this time the “Stonewall” had produced nearly \$2,000,000 in gold.

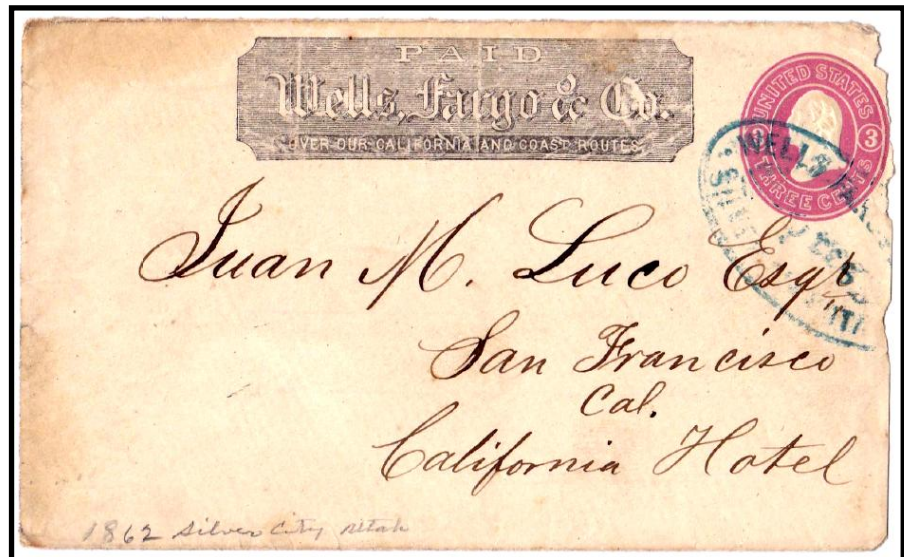


**Leaching gold from Stonewall Gold tailings
(Photo, courtesy D. Klauber)**

Present: Cuyamaca Rancho lands purchased by Abraham Klauber

Throughout the editor's life, I have heard my father talk many times about how when he was a very young man during the 1930's and 40's that he and his father would drive the old Le Salle out to Descanso to meet with a Mr. Perkin (the Perkins Store/Postmaster/Water district manager etc.) This was of course during the depression, so most men like Mr. John Perkin needed several jobs to make ends meet. Anyway, these meetings with Mr. Perkin, usually on Sundays, were spent discussing the many problems of the Descanso Water District. The Descanso water district and other land assets by this time were now owned by the family business K.W.co. Some of the company's remaining land assets consisted of parts of the original Cuyamaca land Grant purchase.

My father remembers that at the time, selling the land in Descanso was very difficult (nearly impossible) and that many weekends were spent traveling up there to meet with prospective buyers. Interestingly, with Mr. Perkin also being the Postmaster in Descanso, the two would eventually end up in the Post Office next door. It is here that my grandfather Allan would spend time looking through the old post office stamps. Business at the Descanso Post Office was extremely slow and with business being what it was, it allowed for many of the older stamp issues to hang around the Post Office for a long period of time. My father says that his father would spend many hours with Mr. Perkin, purchasing the older stamp stocks that he had as singles/blocks etc.



United States 1860's Silver City, U.T. oval Wells Fargo Express cancel (L4-1) in blue on 3c entire with company paid frank, to San Francisco, this cancel used in only 3 towns.

Recently while I was at the OroPEX Fullerton show in Orange County, I happened upon an interesting cover; low and behold it was our old friend and lawyer Juan M. Luco. Interesting part is that the cover is to San Francisco from Silver City (UT) soon to be Nevada Territory during the height of the Comstock Silver Rush. Knowing that I have other Luco items I snatched up the cover and added it to my collection I have presented it here for your viewing pleasure!



Member Classifieds

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

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

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**

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

Wanted: Imperial China, PRC, Manchukuo, Mongolia, Classic Mexico, 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.



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.

Visit <http://stampnewsnow.com/>. *Stamp News Online (SNO) Magazine* is an *online only* monthly magazine for collectors of U.S. and Worldwide stamps and covers. Full of compelling articles with U.S. and Worldwide editorial content.

Stamp News:



There are new USPS Stamps to be issued in 2019*



5 planned USPS Stamps

The Postal Service announced plans this week for five additional stamp releases in 2019.

<https://link.usps.com/2019/01/30/more-to-come/>

The stamps are:

- **Star Ribbon**, which features a tri-colored ribbon, folded into a patriotic symbol
- **Little Mo**, a release that honors tennis champion Maureen Connolly Brinker (1934-1969)
- **Ellsworth Kelly**, 10 designs that highlight the famed abstract artist's works
- **Transcontinental Railroad**, three stamps that mark the 150th anniversary of the railroad's completion
- **Military Working Dogs**, four designs that celebrate the canines who serve the nation's armed forces

More 2019 Forever stamps from the United States Postal Service

From Washington, the U.S. Postal service revealed a lineup of new stamps and other items to be issued in 2019. The following descriptions from the U.S.P.S. can be found at :

https://about.usps.com/newsroom/national-releases/2018/pr18_095.htm