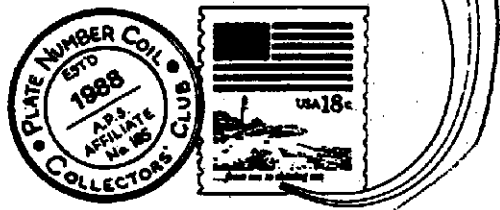


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## McMurray exhibits 'on a roll'

Bill McMurray has been actively exhibiting his Gold Medal PNC exhibit "Tomorrow's Classics" during this, the 20th year of PNCs. The exhibit has traveled to six shows during 2001, and received five Gold Medals and one Vermeil. In addition, He has received the PNC3 President's Award, six APS Medals of Excellence, the Most Popular Exhibit award at the APS Stampshow, the USSS (formerly BIA) Statue of Freedom Gold Medal, the AAPE Creativity in Philatelic Exhibiting Medal (twice), and the AAPE Gold Award of Honor.

This is quite a record, and Bill deserves to be congratulated for his successful efforts to show off the depth and complexity of PNC collecting. The shows where the exhibit appeared are: Philatelic Show 2001, Boxborough, MA, May 4-6; NAPEX, Washington, DC,

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## Club Web site receives rating

The PNC<sup>3</sup> Web site was honored with the award of a "2 StarSite" at the FIP Sponsored HAFNIA 01 International Exhibition held in Copenhagen, Denmark, Oct. 16 to 21.

The evaluation was completed by seven accredited literature judges, plus a consultant, from six countries in Europe and North America under the leadership of Francis Kiddle, Chairman of the FIP Literature Commission.

## Results of Auction #25 announced; deadline is Jan. 5 for next lots

The results of club auction 25 are attached to this issue of *Coil Line* and have also been posted on the club Web site.

Auctioneer Joe Sedivy has also called for lots to be submitted for the next auction. Lots are to be received by him no later than Jan. 5, 2002. A consignmet sheet is attached to this issue.

## Message from the President:

# Thanks to Many

We have just celebrated the Thanksgiving holiday, and are looking forward to the festive end-year holidays traditionally marked by gift-giving and family celebrations. I have, in past years, used this space to thank our many PNC volunteers for their continuing efforts to increase the fun and knowledge of PNCs for all members. Once again, I offer my thanks to these dedicated folks, though this year in abbreviated form. Thank you all for what you have done this year for PNC3!

This year, however, I want to urge you all to take some time and give thanks to the many folks who make this hobby possible for us all - the brave postal workers that daily move our mail in spite of the real dangers posed by the recent terrorist attack using biological agents. In these troubled times, we have been all made to feel more vulnerable as our mail system is stressed by this unprecedented challenge.

The postal workers have met and overcome this challenge. We must all be grateful for this, and I'd like to suggest that you take a moment to personally thank your letter carrier for doing his/her part to maintain this vital service to Americans, no matter where they are.

The postal people help keep us in touch with our loved ones when we can't be there personally. The season of gift-giving depends on the reliable delivery of the cards and packages that mean so much to our distant friends and family.

I read an article in the December issue of *American Heritage* in which it was pointed out how much our servicemen and women look forward to the mail they receive from home. The author pointed out that letters of encouragement from friends and family, and even those "To any Serviceman" give much meaning to their efforts to protect our lives and freedoms. Even though it may be something new for you, take a moment and send a card or

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## Thanks

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letter to a serviceman this year. It will mean a lot to someone who is protecting us all and our way of life.

On other subjects, I'd like to call attention to three things that were brought up in last month's issue of *Coil Line*.

First, Doug Iams suggested that members give some thought to getting some exhibits ready for the forthcoming 25th Anniversary of PNCs. Some kind of celebration is in the planning stages, and it would be great if we could have a few exhibits to back it up.

Since exhibits aren't built in a day, it might be good to start early and get some local/regional exposure in order to fine-tune the display.

Second, Eugene Liu has asked for help in gathering data for a study he's doing on the back numbers found on the 21 cent Bison. I trust every member who has these items in their collection will take a couple of minutes to report. It is your obligation as a member of this club to support a fellow member and the PNC hobby as a whole by contributing what information you can when asked.

Last, for those having Internet access, John Cropper gave some information on the PNC chat room held each Tuesday night on Delphi. Make the effort to go to [www.pnc3.org](http://www.pnc3.org) at 8:50, use the link to be found there, and join the chat. It's not rocket science. If you're still not sure how to do this, e-mail John at [john.cropper@pnc3.org](mailto:john.cropper@pnc3.org) or Ron Maifeld at [ron.maifeld@pnc3.org](mailto:ron.maifeld@pnc3.org) and they'll help. Or, just get the article out and ask your kids.

One last thing. Don't forget to send in your dues. Doing so now saves you a couple of bucks and relieves Tom McFarland from having to send a lot of reminder notices. Happy Holidays to all.

-Gene Trinks

## McMurray

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June 1-3; Minnesota Stamp Expo, Crystal, MN, July 20-22; Stampshow 2001, Rosemont, IL, Aug 23-26; Omaha Stamp Show, Omaha, NE, Sept 28-29; and Midaphil 2001, Lenexa, KS, Oct 12-14. Those members able to see it at one of these shows had a real treat.

Of particular note is the Most Popular Exhibit award at Stampshow 2001. This annual APS national event (and also the site of our Annual Meeting) is among the most heavily attended shows in the country each year. For Bill to have won the "Most Popular" there shows that PNCs still capture the attention of a large number of people.

Bill is presently preparing another exhibit, and it is sure to be another award-winner. We all wish him well and eagerly await the results of his next exhibiting effort

## Letters

### Somebody explain this USPS pricing

To the Editor:

Whoa!

The November issue of *Coil Line*, page 130 in the box for George, the next to last item, sports the wording "772040 Full Coil of 100 - \$21.00"

In view of the high price of the next item, "772062 First Day Cover - \$0.67", I guess the USPS can afford to be generous with us coilers for a change!

I don't know where those numbers derive from. It might make a good study to learn who and how the selection of order numbers are established. And that price! Even "Tillie the Toiler" knows that can't be! (Betcha thought I didn't remember that comic strip!)

Dan Kauffman

### Bison back number update

To the Editor:

Please keep your data coming.

1) More often than not, the control # straddles over a pair of stamps. Except that for the pair (PN, 1R), all others (2L, 1L), (1L, PN), (1R, 2R) and (2R, 2L) have been reported.

2) Somewhere between 000474100 and 000630700, the font size of the control # has been reduced, noticeable to the eyes. Early printing has a font height of 5mm, where as the later one is 4mm.

Avery's 9-digit serial control #s first appeared in the Bugs Bunny uncut sheet of 1997. They seem to be available to collectors for the last time in the latest Porky Pig (That's All Folks" uncut sheet as many other current finished products from Avery don't carry them anymore.

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## Put aside the precancel permit for a while-Postal workers have enough stress these days

I have a permit to use bulk mail "precanceled" coil stamps at my local Post Office. I also have a "Mailer's Postmark Permit" and its associated CDS and killer bars with the permit authorized at the same PO, and in accordance with the Domestic Mail Manual.

Contrary to many, I have never had any problems nor returned mail in my many years of use - and through five Postmasters - until last week.

As the normal Postmaster was off, a relief postal worker was filling in. This worker has filled in locally several times and is familiar with the layout and procedures of the Clearlake Park office.

I handed over a flat franked with bulk rate coil stamps and canceled with my device, marked with class of mail, return address - all the regulations complied with and according to "Hoyle!"

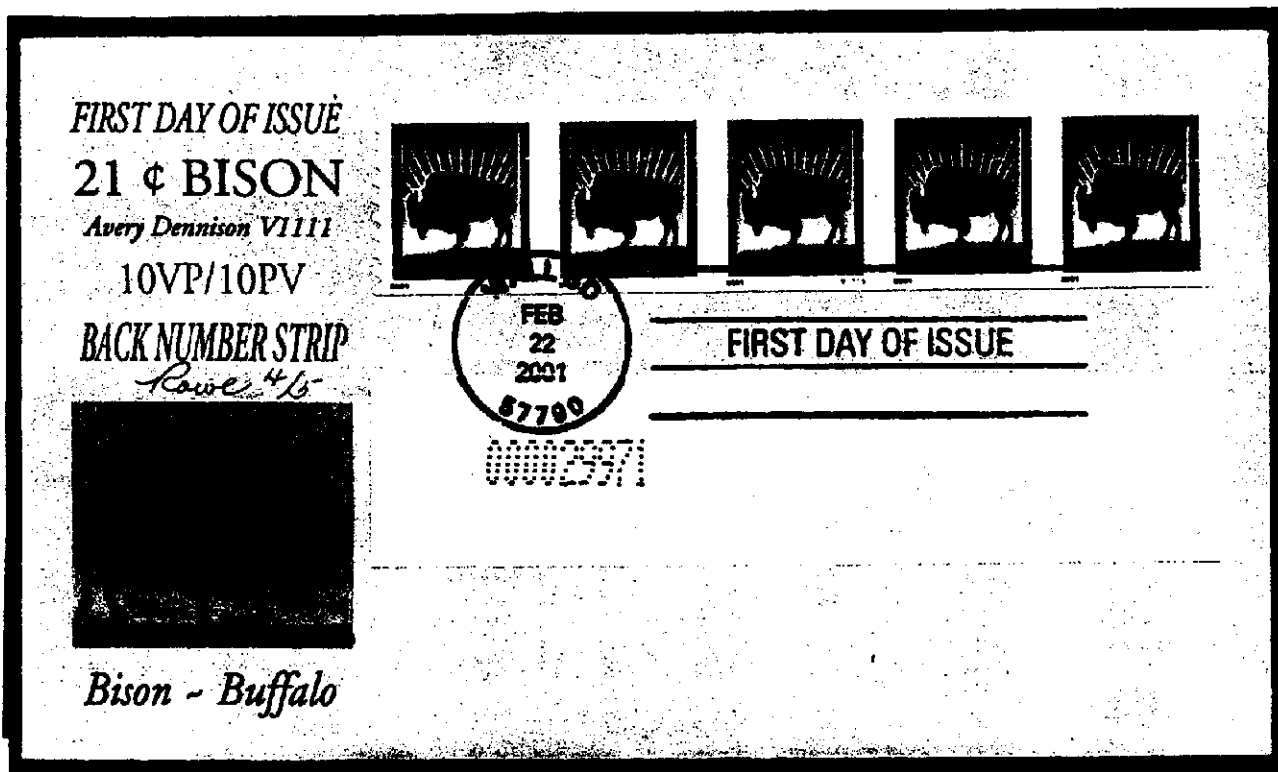
The worker looked stunned, stared, and finally stated, "You can't do that! You can't use those stamps, they're for bulk mailings," and slid the cover back toward me. I assured her I could and had a permit there for the usage. She moved to another station and waited on another customer - perhaps to regain composure or think about her next move. I waited. When she returned, I asked her for the manual and would show her the authority. She then awakened to the cancellation and inquired how the piece got canceled. I informed her I did it. She said, "You can't do that!" and "Only Post Offices can cancel mail." and went on to quiz me about how and where I got the stamping device. I assured her I could and had a permit and it was issued there by her boss, who is now the boss of the local Postmaster, and that a sample cancel was on record there with the permit. She again refuse to accept the piece.

I again offered to show her the authority in the manual. This time she got the book out and returned to the counter. While she waited on another customer, I opened the book to the regulations which she read. She then called her boss about the affair. As I was beginning to feel a little miffed, I also talked to Tony, the Clearlake Postmaster, her boss. The piece went out.

As I reconsidered the situation, I began to realize some other facts not immediately in evidence. First, although it isn't the customer's place to have to educate postal workers, there is a considerable body of knowledge to assimilate; and it grows regularly. We can be of service by assisting them in a kindly manner of what, where and how to be a better clerk. She won't be caught short again on this one. Secondly, all post offices are in a high state of alert for any suspicious mail. This was certainly suspicious to her. Although we knew one another, she didn't know my background other than a customer, and had no further intelligence. When an unusual - and precanceled - piece was handed her, a red flag went up.

As of now, I have put away my canceling device for the immediate future. There may be another new worker who doesn't need any more stress than that normally occurring in their tumultuous job. - Dan Kauffman

Bob Rowe has supplied this copy of a 21c Bison FDC he made. The cover is a blu envelope and has the backnumber upright so that it is in proper relation to the strip above (2L, 3L). He'd like to hear from anyone else who might have made similar covers.



# CURRENT ISSUE NUMBERS & ROLL SIZES

11/10/01

AMT

**KEY:** A-100, B-500, C-3000, D-10000

EP - EMBEDDED PHOS      UT - UNTAGGED  
 SP - SURFACE PHOS      [xx] - NUMBER INTERVAL  
 BK - BLOCK TAG          (NL) - LINELESS  
 OA - OVERALL TAG        \* NEW NUMBER

Plate number intervals are shown in brackets following the stamp name. If more than one is indicated, the order is that in which the different printer's plate numbers are listed.  
 Example: Juke Box [24] for BEP, [14] for Bennett Security.

**PRINTER PLATE NUMBER PREFIX LETTERS:**

A - American Bank Note      S - Bennett Security Prod.  
 B - Banknote Corp of Am.    V - Avery-Dennison  
 G - Guilford Gravure        None - BEP  
 M - MMM

**(34c) LIBERTY [24]**

#1111 C

**(34c) LIBERTY (SA) [24]**

#1111 A (SM DATE)  
 #1111 A (LG DATE)

**(34c) FLOWER (SA) [12]**

#B1111 A

**34c LIBERTY [24]**

#1111 A, C, D

**34c LIBERTY (SA) [24]**

#1111 A  
 #2222 A  
 #3333 A  
 #4444 A  
 #5555 A  
 #6666\* A  
 #7777\* A

**34c LIBERTY (SA) [21]**

#1111 C, D  
 #2222 D

**34c UNITED (SA) [24]**

#1111\* A

**34c FLOWERS (SA) [12]**

#B1111 A  
 #B2111 A  
 #B2122 A  
 #B2211 A  
 #B2222 A

**20c COG RAILWAY [48]**

#1 A, B, C  
 #2 A, B

**10c CANAL BOAT [48]**

#1 A, C (BK) [52]  
 #1 B, C (OA) [52]  
 #1 C (EP) [52]  
 #2 B, C  
 #3 C  
 #4 D (OA)  
 #4 C (EP)  
 #5 D

**5c CIRCUS [48][24][14]**

#1 B, C (OA) [52]  
 #1 B, C (UT) [52]  
 #2 C  
 #A1 D  
 #A2 D  
 #A3 D  
 #B1 D  
 #B2 D (GLOSS)  
 #B2 D (SHINY)

**3c CONESTOGA [48]**

#1 A, B, C [52]  
 #2 C  
 #3 C (DULL)  
 #3 B, C (SHINY)  
 #5 C (LARGE #)  
 #5 C, D (SMALL #)  
 #6 C, D

**23c G. WASH'N (SA) [12]**

#B11 A

**22c U. SAM (SA) [24]**

#1111 A

**22c UNCLE SAM [24]**

#1111 C

**21c BISON (SA) [5]**

#V1111 A  
 #V2222 A

**20c PHEASANT (SA) [24]**

#1111 A  
 #2222 A

**2c WOODPECKER [24]**

#11111 C, D  
 #22222 D

**1c KESTREL [24]**

#1111 B, C (TYPE I)  
 #1111 B (TYPE II)  
 #1111 C (TYPE III)  
 #2222 C  
 #3333 C

**(5c) MOUNTAIN[24][14]**

#11111 B, C  
 #B111 D

**(5c) MTN (SA) [21][15]**

#1111 C  
 #V22222 D  
 #V333323 D  
 #V333333 D  
 #V333342 D  
 #V333343 D

**(5c) WETLANDS [14]**

B1111 C, D

**(5c) WETLND (SA) [21]**

#1111 C (light color)  
 #1111 D (dark color)  
 #2222 C, D  
 #3333 C, D  
 #4444 D  
 #5555 D

**(10c) ATLAS (SA) [20]**

#B1111 D

**(10c) LION (SA) [21]**

#B11111 D  
 #B22222 D

**(10c) E&S STD [24]**

#11111 D  
 #22222 D

**(10c) E&S STD (SA) [21]**

#11111 C, D  
 #22222 D  
 #33333 D

**(10c) GREEN BIKE [14]**

#B111 B, C, D

**(10c) G. BIKE (SA) [21]**

#111 D  
 #221 D  
 #222 D  
 #333 C, D  
 #344 C  
 #444 C, D  
 #555 C, D  
 #666 C, D  
 #777 C, D  
 #888 D  
 #999 D

**(15c) TAIL FIN [24][14]**

#11111 C  
 #B11111 D

**(15c) TAIL FIN (SA)[21]**

#B11111 D

**(15c) WOODY (SA) [21]**

#B11111 D

**(25c) JUKE BOX [24][14]**

#111111 B, C  
 #212222 B, C  
 #222222 C  
 #332222 C  
 #B11111 D  
 #B22222 D

**(25c) JUKE (SA) [21][21][7]**

#111111 C  
 #222222 D  
 #B11111 D  
 #B22222 D  
 #M11111 D (NL)

**(25c) DINER [14]**

#B11111 D

**(25c) DINER (SA) [21]**

#11111 D  
 #22211 D  
 #22222 D  
 #33333 D  
 #44444 D

■ The Wetlands color differences are in the stamp background. The #2222 background color does not match either of the #1111 colors.

■ The Kestrels differ in the order of color laydown. Colors are black, yellow, cyan and magenta. Type I sequence is BYCM. Type II is BCYM. Type III is YMCB. The color order shows in the plate number.

# SNIPPETS

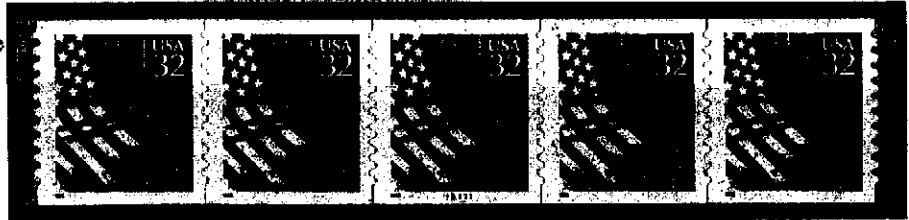
By Alan Thomson

## New Numbers

There are three new numbers this month. The Statue of Liberty coil #6666 and #7777 have been found. The new United We Stand coil has number 1111.

## Bison PBN Stalled

There has been no change to the high and low Bison production back numbers for the contest. The low is still 22639, and the high remains at 1842787. If you have an entry, please be sure it falls outside these two numbers.



## No PBN on Bison V2's

Avery Dennison has told Doug Iams that it has stopped placing a production number on the back of the web's bottom row of Bison stamps. The number is now being printed on the back of the bottom selvage and is trimmed off during coil processing. This started with the new cylinder combination of V2222. Check the plate number before buying a roll if you are chasing that back number. You won't find it on a V2222 roll. This development won't necessarily shorten the high/low contest. The V1111 will still be out there for a long time.

## Juke Box Color Shift

An interesting color shift on the Sennet Security printed Juke Box coil #11111 with water activated gum has been found on piece by Harry Rahn. The yellow, red, light blue and black are all shifted up in stair-step fashion, with the yellow being the highest. All of those four colors in the plate number, the S, and the date are up into the words "Presorted First Class." The color shift in the vignette is very pronounced at the top of the juke box case. A poor quality photocopy is below.



## Round/Square Shoulder on E&S

There is another stamp to add to the list of PSA coils that come with both a rounded and a square die cut. Jim Tod has found copies of the Presorted Standard Eagle and Shield coil that have rounded die cut shoulders. In July there was a table of all the issues and numbers that have been reported with both types of die cut. An updated copy of the table is shown below.

Wetlands - #1111, #2222, #3333  
Green Bike - #111, #221, #222, #555, #666  
E & S (STD) - #11111  
Diner - #11111, #22211, #22222  
City Flag - #2222

## FOP Escapee Found

One PS5 of FOP #78777 10/10 has been found by an anonymous collector. Until now this Porch Flag stamp was known only in used condition. No. Don't bother. It's not for sale.

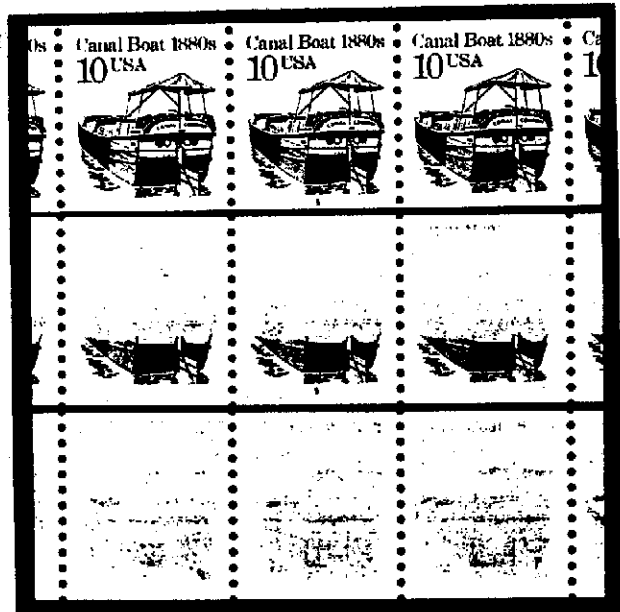
## Odd Miscut on Bison

There have been quite a few Bison coils that were not sliced correctly, but one roll found by Scott Adams is strange indeed. The beginning and end of a bottom row roll are almost normal but a center section of about 25 stamps is sliced so low that the electric eye markings on the bottom of the web are visible. How the web could have been pushed so far out of line for such a short distance is food for thought. Part of the center section is shown below.



## Canal Boat Ink Starvation

The three Canal Boat strips illustrated below show a progressive ink starvation. The top strip is normal and is shown only for comparison. Doug Iams bought the other two in an auction. Ink loss this severe is not common and when it does happen, the printers usually catch it. BEP let this #5 roll slip through.



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# WATER ACTIVATED PNC BACK NUMBER CHECKLIST

KEY: T=Top; B=Bottom; M=Middle  
 D=Double; U=Upsidedown  
 ^^=Odd Rolls (No # on #)  
 \*\*= New Listings (0)

## 2c WOODPECKER # 3045

#1111	GREEN	4T	4B	4M
#2222	GREEN	4T	4B	

## (5)c BUTTE # 2902

S111	BLACK	4T	4B	
		5T	5B	
	PURPLE	4T	4B	
		5T	5B	
	PINK	4T	4B	
S222	BLACK	4T		
	PURPLE	4T	4B	
	PINK	4T	4B	
S333	BLACK	4T	4B	
	PURPLE	4T	4B	
	PINK	4T	4B	
		5T	5B	

## 5c CIRCUS WAGON # 2452D

S1	BLACK	5T		
	PURPLE	5T	5B	
S2	PINK	5T	5B	

## TAGGED INK VARIETY (LARGE HOLES)

S2	PINK	5T	5B	
		5M		

## TAGGED INK VARIETY (SMALL HOLES)

S2	PINK	5T	5B	
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## (5c) MOUNTAIN # 2904

S111	PINK	5T	5B	
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## (5c) WETLANDS (SMALL PERF. HOLES) # 3207

S1111	PINK	5T	5B	
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## (5c) WETLANDS (LARGE PERF. HOLES)

S1111	PINK	4T	4B	
		5T	5B	5M

## (10c) AUTOMOBILE # 2905

S111	BLACK	3T	3B	4T
		5T	5B	
	PURPLE	3T	3B	3M ^^
		3D		
		4T	4B	4M ^^
		5T	5B	
S222	BLACK	5B		
	PURPLE	3T	3B	
		5T	5B	
S333	PINK	3T	3B	3B - U
		4T	4B	
		5T ^^	5B ^^	

## (10c) EAGLE AND SHIELD # 2804

S22222	BLACK	5T	5B	
	PURPLE	5T	5T - U	5B
	PINK	5T	5B	

## (10c) BICYCLE # 3229

S111	PINK	3T	3B	3M
		4T	4B	
		5T	5B	5M

## (15c) TAIL FIN # 2909

S11111	PURPLE	5T	5B	
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## (22c) UNCLE SAM # 3353

#1111	BLUE	4T	4B	
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## (25c) JUKE BOX # 2912

S11111	BLACK	5T	5B	5M
	PURPLE	5T	5B ^^	
S22222	PINK	5T	5B	

## (25c) DINER (SMALL PERF. HOLES) # 3208

S11111	PINK	5T	5B	5M ^^
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## (25c) DINER (LARGE PERF. HOLES)

S11111	PINK	5T	5B	
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## (32c) RED "G" # 2891

S1111	BLACK	4T	4B	
	PURPLE	4T	4B	
		5T	5B	

## 32c FLAG OVER PORCH # 2914

S11111	BLACK	5T	5B	5D ^^
	PURPLE	5T	5B	
	PINK	5T ^^	5B ^^	

## 33c CITY FLAG # 3280

#1111	PINK	4T	4B	
		5T	5B	
	BLUE	4T	4B	
#2222	BLUE	4T	4B	
#3333	BLUE	4T ^^	4B ^^	4M ^^

## (34c) STATUE OF LIBERTY #3452

#1111	BLUE	4T	4B	
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 \*\*=Odd Rolls (No # on #)

**(5c) BUTTE # 2902B**

S111	BLACK	5T	5B	
	PINK	5T	5B	5M

**(5c) MOUNTAIN # 2904A & # 2904B**

V22222	BLUE	5M - U		
V333323	BLUE	5M		
V333333	BLUE	5M	5M - U	
V333342	BLUE	5M		
V333343	BLUE	5M		
#1111	GREEN	4T	4B	

**(5c) WETLANDS # 3207A**

#1111	GREEN	4T	4B	
#2222	GREEN	4T	4B	
#3333	GREEN	4T	4B	
#4444	GREEN	4T	4B	
#5555	GREEN	4T **	4B **	

**(10c) EAGLE AND SHIELD # 2907**

S11111	BLACK	5B		
	PURPLE	5T		
	PINK	5T	5B	5M

**(10c) EAGLE AND SHIELD #3271 (UNTAGGED)**

#11111	GREEN	4T	4B	
#22222	GREEN	4T	4B	
#33333	GREEN	4T	4B	

**(10c) EAGLE AND SHIELD # 3271 (TAGGED)**

#11111	GREEN	4T	4B	
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**(10c) EAGLE AND SHIELD # 3271v -  
 CHOCOLATE BROWN**

#11111	GREEN	4T	4B	
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**(10c) AUTOMOBILE # 2906**

S11111	BLACK	5T		
	PINK	5T	5B	5M

**(10c) BICYCLE # 3228**

#111	GREEN	4T	4B	
#221	GREEN	4T	4B	
#222	GREEN	4T	4B	
#333	GREEN	4T	4B	
#344	GREEN	4T	4B	
#444	GREEN	4T	4B	
#555	GREEN	4T	4B	
#666	GREEN	4T	4B	
#777	GREEN	4T	4B	
#888	GREEN	4T	4B	
#999	GREEN	4T	4B	

**(10c) LION # 3447**

S11111	PINK	5T	5B	5M
S22222	PINK	5T	5B	5M **

**(10c) ATLAS # 3520**

B1111	BLACK	5T ***	5B ***	
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**(15c) TAIL FIN # 2910**

S11111	BLACK	5T	5B	
	PINK	5T	5B	5M

**(15)c WOODY**

S11111	PINK	5T **	5B **	5M **
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**(25c) JUKE BOX # 2912A & 2912B**

S11111	PINK	5T	5B	5M
S22222	PINK	5T	5B	5M
#111111	GREEN	4T	4B	
#222222	GREEN	4T	4B	

**(25c) DINER # 3208A**

#11111	GREEN	4T	4B
#22211	GREEN	4T	4B
#22222	GREEN	4T	4B
#33333	GREEN	4T	4B
#44444	GREEN	4T	4B

**32c FLAG OVER PORCH # 2915B**

S11111	BLACK	5T	5B
	PURPLE	5T	5B
	PINK	5T	5B
		5D	5M

**(L10/R10) FOP # 2915D**

#11111	GREEN	4T	4B
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**(L9/R10) FOP**

#11111	GREEN	4T	4B
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**(33c) H-HAT # 3286**

#1111	GREEN	4T	4B
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**33c CITY FLAG # 3282**

#1111	GREEN	4T	4B
#2222	GREEN	4T	4B

**34c STATUE OF LIBERTY # 3466**

#1111	GREEN	4T	4B
#2222	GREEN	4T	4B

# Membership

Names of applicants are published for members to review. Any member who questions the suitability of a prospective member should contact the chairperson of the Membership Committee, James Markley, 100 Sparrow Drive #14, Royal Palm Beach, Fla. 33411 with the objection. The committee will recommend for or against membership.

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## Slide shows available

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## PNC<sup>3</sup> meetings

A monthly listing of scheduled Regional and Annual Meetings will be published in *Coil Line*. Regional Meetings are to be arranged through John Peterson, Regional Meeting Committee Chairperson, 6987 Coleshill Dr., San Diego, CA 92119-1953. 619-466-3443.

John will make sure the editor is notified so that ample notice can be included in *Coil Line*. The local organizer can also submit additional information.

**Feb. 2, 2002 – Sarasota National Stamp Exhibition, Sarasota, FL,** Exhibition Hall. Meeting starts at 10 a.m. in the north half of the balcony in the exhibition hall. Fred P. Sener will be in charge of the meeting. Any ideas or offers to help should be directed to his attention at 5217 Far Oak Circle, Sarasota, FL 34238-3306.

## December 'chat' schedule

PNC<sup>3</sup> members are encouraged and invited to participate in the weekly online PNC<sup>3</sup> Chat meetings on Delphi. Meetings commence every Tuesday night at 9 p.m. EST and generally run 30 minutes.

Here is the topic schedule for December 2001:

4th: USPS Philatelic Availability of PNCs

11th: New Collector Questions & Answers

18th: Back Numbering Discussion

25th: MERRY CHRISTMAS (no chat scheduled)

We are also looking for specialists (field "experts") to moderate upcoming chats in the coming months. moderator for up to an hour on a contact john.cropper@pnc3.org

## COIL LINE

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**Mailing list:** Rental of the club mailing list is available. A one-time usage of labels costs \$50. Contact the secretary (above).

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## Ads

.34 LIBERTY #4444 misperfed in center of stamp. Four strips of ten available. \$100.00 each. First come, first served. One per customer. Charles Lewis bwlewis@knology.net

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PNC USED SINGLES, used strips and MNH PSSs. Great prices! Visit <http://www.angelfire.com/ca5/HimesPNCs> or send SASE for details. John Himes, P.O. Box 453 Cyprus, CA 90630-0453.

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FOR SALE - Two copies of the FOP #89899 10/10 - \$115.00 each. Photocopy available upon request. Richard Andrew, 452 Grace St., Marengo, IL 60152 Phone 815-568-8836.

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## Chicagopex Regional

A small meeting was held at Chicagopex 2001, at Rosemont, IL. Six members attended. Bill Castle ran the meeting, as John Dahlstrom was unable to attend.

Each of the members introduced themselves, and their collecting speciality. The meeting proceeded informally with several topics discussed.

A catalog was discussed (lamenting Rich Nazer being unable to produce one), and the question arose about adding information to the current technical information already on the Web site. Areas that came up were plate numbers, peak-valley information, errors and freaks, covers, and earliest known use.

- James Weiland

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UNSOLD LOTS ARE NOT LISTED

LOT	BID	LOT	BID	LOT	BID	LOT	BID	LOT	BID	LOT	BID		
1	\$5.00	119	\$12.00	201	\$5.50	274	\$6.00	367	\$5.00	442	\$15.00	526	\$55.00
6	\$4.00	122	\$41.00	202	\$8.00	275	\$20.00	371	\$5.00	445	\$8.00	530	\$40.00
7	\$8.00	123	\$70.00	205	\$26.00	278	\$3.50	373	\$80.00	446	\$25.00	533	\$45.00
13	\$2.50	125	\$30.00	207	\$11.00	280	\$6.00	378	\$5.00	447	\$10.00	535	\$2.25
16	\$6.00	126	\$70.00	208	\$12.00	281	\$6.00	379	\$5.00	450	\$8.00	536	\$27.00
17	\$3.00	128	\$41.00	210	\$12.00	287	\$50.00	380	\$72.50	452	\$5.00	537	\$200.00
19	\$11.00	130	\$19.00	211	\$35.00	289	\$14.00	381	\$125.00	454	\$2.50	538	\$3.00
20	\$19.00	131	\$15.00	213	\$7.00	290	\$15.00	382	\$6.00	456	\$5.00	539	\$22.00
21	\$20.00	132	\$13.00	214	\$40.00	291	\$5.00	384	\$11.00	458	\$6.00	541	\$13.00
22	\$1.50	133	\$42.00	215	\$5.00	292	\$3.00	385	\$60.00	460	\$3.00	542	\$3.00
34	\$10.00	138	\$40.00	216	\$4.00	296	\$5.00	386	\$90.00	461	\$3.00	544	\$45.00
41	\$18.00	139	\$110.00	217	\$3.00	297	\$8.00	387	\$40.00	462	\$7.00	546	\$3.00
42	\$14.00	140	\$65.00	218	\$60.00	298	\$31.00	388	\$80.00	463	\$7.00	548	\$16.00
43	\$2.25	141	\$26.00	219	\$11.00	302	\$11.00	390	\$115.00	464	\$3.00	549	\$22.00
44	\$2.50	142	\$22.00	220	\$10.00	303	\$22.00	391	\$115.00	465	\$5.00	550	\$18.00
52	\$5.50	144	\$5.50	221	\$9.50	306	\$11.00	393	\$4.00	467	\$10.00	554	\$4.00
55	\$3.75	145	\$2.50	222	\$4.00	307	\$18.00	394	\$125.00	468	\$6.00	555	\$6.00
57	\$3.00	147	\$7.50	224	\$4.00	308	\$9.00	396	\$10.00	470	\$5.00	556	\$5.00
58	\$4.50	149	\$6.50	227	\$8.00	309	\$3.00	397	\$52.50	471	\$150.00	558	\$6.00
59	\$3.00	150	\$1.00	228	\$16.00	313	\$5.00	400	\$16.00	475	\$8.00	559	\$2.00
60	\$3.00	151	\$7.00	229	\$18.00	320	\$7.50	403	\$8.00	476	\$5.00	560	\$6.00
62	\$3.50	153	\$7.50	230	\$22.00	321	\$5.00	405	\$4.00	477	\$5.00	561	\$5.00
65	\$3.50	154	\$9.00	233	\$4.00	322	\$20.00	406	\$20.00	478	\$4.50	562	\$5.00
69	\$3.50	155	\$5.00	234	\$28.00	324	\$2.00	407	\$115.00	480	\$3.00	563	\$8.00
70	\$3.50	157	\$5.00	235	\$6.00	327	\$8.00	408	\$35.00	481	\$1.50	564	\$12.00
72	\$17.00	158	\$15.00	236	\$25.00	328	\$6.00	409	\$35.00	482	\$175.00	566	\$3.00
82	\$20.00	159	\$7.00	237	\$6.50	330	\$8.00	410	\$28.00	485	\$6.50	568	\$5.00
85	\$28.00	160	\$10.00	241	\$8.00	331	\$8.00	411	\$31.00	487	\$8.00	571	\$2.00
89	\$1,900.00	162	\$15.00	242	\$80.00	332	\$34.00	412	\$31.00	489	\$3.00	572	\$8.00
90	\$41.00	164	\$25.00	243	\$10.00	333	\$6.00	413	\$9.00	490	\$90.00	573	\$6.00
92	\$7.00	165	\$1.50	244	\$26.00	338	\$5.00	414	\$16.00	493	\$30.00	578	\$20.00
94	\$57.50	166	\$5.00	245	\$110.00	344	\$6.00	415	\$67.50	494	\$6.50	579	\$11.00
95	\$9.50	167	\$5.00	251	\$9.00	346	\$6.00	416	\$25.00	495	\$4.00	580	\$9.00
96	\$4.00	169	\$9.00	252	\$7.00	347	\$6.50	417	\$25.00	496	\$3.00	581	\$10.00
97	\$6.00	170	\$5.00	254	\$3.00	348	\$6.00	419	\$4.00	498	\$5.00	582	\$12.00
99	\$31.00	175	\$5.50	255	\$3.00	349	\$29.00	420	\$10.00	499	\$35.00	584	\$19.00
102	\$28.00	177	\$24.00	257	\$50.00	352	\$16.00	421	\$15.00	500	\$7.00	585	\$4.00
105	\$7.00	178	\$5.50	258	\$50.00	354	\$10.00	424	\$16.00	502	\$19.00	586	\$4.00
106	\$9.00	180	\$6.00	265	\$7.50	355	\$5.00	425	\$10.00	505	\$6.00	588	\$6.00
109	\$7.50	181	\$65.00	266	\$5.00	357	\$185.00	427	\$14.00	506	\$5.00	589	\$6.00
110	\$6.50	182	\$3.00	267	\$6.00	358	\$300.00	428	\$6.50	507	\$4.00	590	\$8.00
111	\$6.50	184	\$15.00	268	\$5.00	360	\$17.00	430	\$6.00	508	\$20.00	591	\$6.00
112	\$16.00	185	\$230.00	269	\$3.00	361	\$20.00	431	\$16.00	511	\$1.50	592	\$10.00
113	\$7.00	189	\$25.00	270	\$7.50	362	\$25.00	432	\$20.00	517	\$1.50	594	\$5.00
114	\$16.00	190	\$6.00	271	\$5.00	364	\$20.00	433	\$35.00	518	\$1.50	595	\$3.00
115	\$50.00	194	\$20.00	272	\$6.00	365	\$400.00	434	\$10.00	519	\$2.00	596	\$6.00
116	\$11.00	195	\$14.00	273	\$5.00	366	\$60.00	439	\$80.00	522	\$1.75	601	\$13.00
117	\$17.00											602	\$9.00
												603	\$18.00
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