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Reimbursement limit now applies to exhibit entries

The Exhibiting Committee has formulated further rules regarding reimbursement for member's exhibits. Members may recall that it was the policy in the past for the club to pay half the exhibit charge and half of the postage. The purpose of the reimbursement was to encourage members to exhibit and thus spread the word about Plate Number Coils.

It has been decided that possibly an open policy like this could drain the club's treasury. Consequently, a few limitations have been imposed.

The club will help pay expenses on an exhibit three times in a year. If the exhibit is shown in later years, it must have a significant upgrade. The club also requests that the least expensive means be used to ship the exhibit. There are some shows that require a specific way (such as express). If this is the case, then the club will still pay half of the charges. However, if the collector chooses to send express and priority will do, then the club will only reimburse for the least expensive means. The exhibitor will need to pay the extra amounts.

Again, I am encouraging any member to get involved in exhibits. Bill Murray has done a great job this year. His exhibit has been well received at the shows and he has won many awards.

-Gary Davis
Exhibiting Committee

Page 93 printed twice, page 94 was omitted

In the process of publishing the August issue of *Coil Line*, the printer included page 93 twice and omitted page 94. As a part of this mailing, both page 93 and page 94 are included.

Members can take the staple out of their August issue, remove the double page 93, insert the correct page 94 and page 95, restaple their issue and have a complete roster and complete issue.

A message from the President:

Planning for succession

By the time members receive this issue, the club's Annual Meeting for 2001 will be history. September 1st begins the last year in office for the current Executive Board. Club bylaws provide that an officer is term limited to two terms in the same position.

All current officers are term limited this time around, and may not seek re-election to their current positions. Members-at-Large are not so limited, and may serve again.

Most of the members of this Board have served the club in various capacities for many years, and some will not be seeking a different elected post in the next election. (For the years of service of these dedicated folks, I would like to express my deepest appreciation for their dedication and hard work on behalf of all members, but more on that at another time.)

Our elections take place in June 2002. In order to give time for members to consider the candidates and their qualifications, the announcement of candidates names must be made in the April *Coil Line*, which goes to press in mid-March.

I have always been a strong advocate that the Nominating Committee provide our members at least two choices for each position to be filled by election.

There are six positions: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two Members-at-Large. Work will begin soon to identify qualified candidates willing to serve in these posts. If you have some time and would like to be considered by the Nominating Committee, please contact Don Eastman, who will chair it this year. He can be reached at 24 Bemis St., Berlin, NH 03570, or at easte@nh.adelphia.net.

It's not unusual for folks, in groups such as ours, to put off making a decision or to want to wait until the last minute to make a commitment. This makes the job a lot harder for the committee, though, and I urge those who

CURRENT ISSUE NUMBERS & ROLL SIZES

05/10/01

AHT

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

EP - EMBEDDED PHOS UT - UNTAGGED
 SP - SURFACE PHOS [xx] - NUMBER INTERVAL
 BK - BLOCK TAG (NL) - LINERLESS
 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 Sennett Security.

PRINTER PLATE NUMBER PREFIX LETTERS:

A - American Bank Note	S - Sennett 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

34c LIBERTY (SA) [21]
 #1111 C, D
 #2222 D

34c FLOWERS (SA) [12]
 #B1111 A
 #B2111 A
 #B2122 A
 #B2222 A

LEFT
 BLANK

20c COG RAILWAY [48]
 #1 A, B, C
 #2 A, B

10c CANAL BOAT [48]
 #1 A, C (BK) [32]
 #1 B, C (OA) [32]
 #1 C (EP) [32]
 #2 B, C
 #3 C
 #4 D (OA)
 #4 C (EP)
 #5 D

5c CIRCUS [48][24][14]
 #1 B, C (OA) [32]
 #1 B, C (UT) [32]
 #2 C
 #A1 D
 #A2 D
 #A3 D
 #B1 D
 #B2 D (GLOSS)
 #B2 D (SHINY)

3c CONESTOGA [48]
 #1 A, B, C [32]
 #2 C
 #3 C (DULL)
 #3 B, C (SHINY)
 #5 C (LARGE #)
 #5 C, D (SMALL #)
 #6 C, D

22c U. SAM (SA) [24]
 #1111 A

22c UNCLE SAM [24]
 #1111 C

21c BISON (SA) [5]
 #V1111 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
 #B1111 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

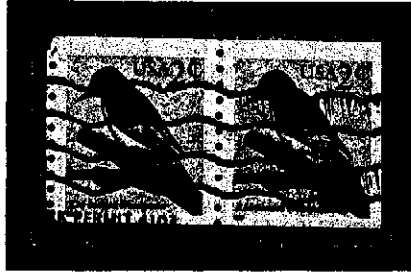
By Alan Thomson

New Numbers

The only new number this month is S11111 from the new non-denominated (15c) Woody Wagon.

The Himes Number

Dick Koenig came up with the answer for that large number at the bottom of John Himes Wetlands stamp that appeared in the June Snippets. It's a mailer's post mark permit number that found its way onto the base of the stamp. Dick provided two other examples, one of which is pictured below. Mystery solved.



Kestrel BYCM #1111

Several people have sent me copies of the Kestrel BYCM #1111 that show a doubling in the digits of the plate number. Generally a shadow set of digits about 1mm higher than the real plate number appears on all of them. This is not true doubling but a set-off from one of the press rollers where a previous not quite dry set of digits passed under the roller. Some ink was deposited on the roller and was in turn left on the next plate number stamp. It's an interesting freak if you care for such items.

Providence ZIP Correction

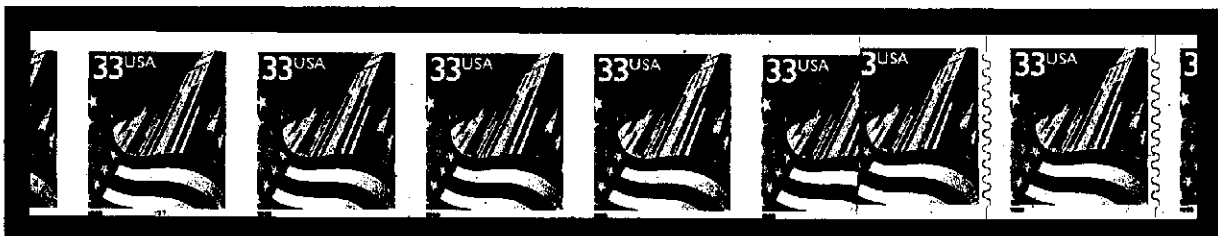
In the July issue I listed the the address for the Providence, RI, philatelic center. The +4 on the ZIP code was incorrect. The entire ZIP should read 02904-9713. Sorry for the mistake.

Bison PBN Update

We have a new high number in the Bison production back number contest. This new high belongs to another member other than the holder of the low. The new high is 1,640,322. The low remains 22,639. Keep looking.

Sloppy FOC Splice

Jeff Flazbein has acquired a very crude post-printing splice that has one double stamp and some down the center die cuts. The die cuts to the right of the splice are less than perfect, but because of the twin stamp at the splice the die cuts to the left are in the center of each stamp. Part of the #7777 strip is shown below.

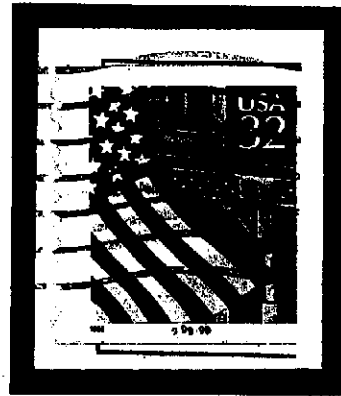


The Missing SOL Red 1

In July there was an item about a missing red 1 in the plate number of the 34¢ Statue of Liberty #1111. All the copies to that point were found by one individual. Now another example has been found by Rolly Grandahl. No example of a single red 1 has been reported but I'm beginning to suspect that there may be some out there. Many copies with no trace of the red digit makes me wonder about the theory of poor inking. Keep looking.

Is This a CPV?

Pictured below is another stamp on cover found by Rolly Grandahl. He has seen only this one copy of it. The FOP #99999 has a tan dot in between the third and fourth 9's. The dot is elevated slightly but the number appears as 999.99. Does anyone else have a stamp with this tan dot, or is this just a case of a random ink spatter? If you've seen this before let us know.



New Washington Coil Next Month

The USPS is using the same design that appeared on the 20¢ Washington post card stamp on a new coil for the 23¢ second ounce rate. The color will change to green and 23¢ will replace the old 20¢ denomination. This new rendition will appear 20 September in coil rolls of 100 as well as sheetlets of 20. Forget about any reprinting of the Lunch Wagon for a second ounce rate coil.

No news is not good news!

Beginner's Corner

Q. How can I use up all the scrap "precanceled" stamps I have acquired?

A. As you know, the precanceled (or their current version, service inscribed non-denominated) stamps are intended for use primarily by bulkmailers at special discounted rates depending on the class of service.

The Postal Service permits the use of these stamps for other classes of mail, but requires that certain conditions be met. The requirements are contained in the Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) under Section P023. A subsection, Sec. P023.4.0, specifically allows stamp collectors to use precanceled stamps on their normal mail.

The following are the basic steps that must be followed to comply with the regulations. Complete information may be found in the DMM.

Obtain permit for use, using Form 3615. This form is titled "Mailing Permit Application and Customer Profile". A sample form is provided in this issue of *Coil Line*.

Collectors must complete Section A (name, address, etc.) and check the box in Sec B(2). As noted on the form, there is no fee required for obtaining the permit. This form is printed on heavy stock and a portion of the form will be returned to the permit holder.

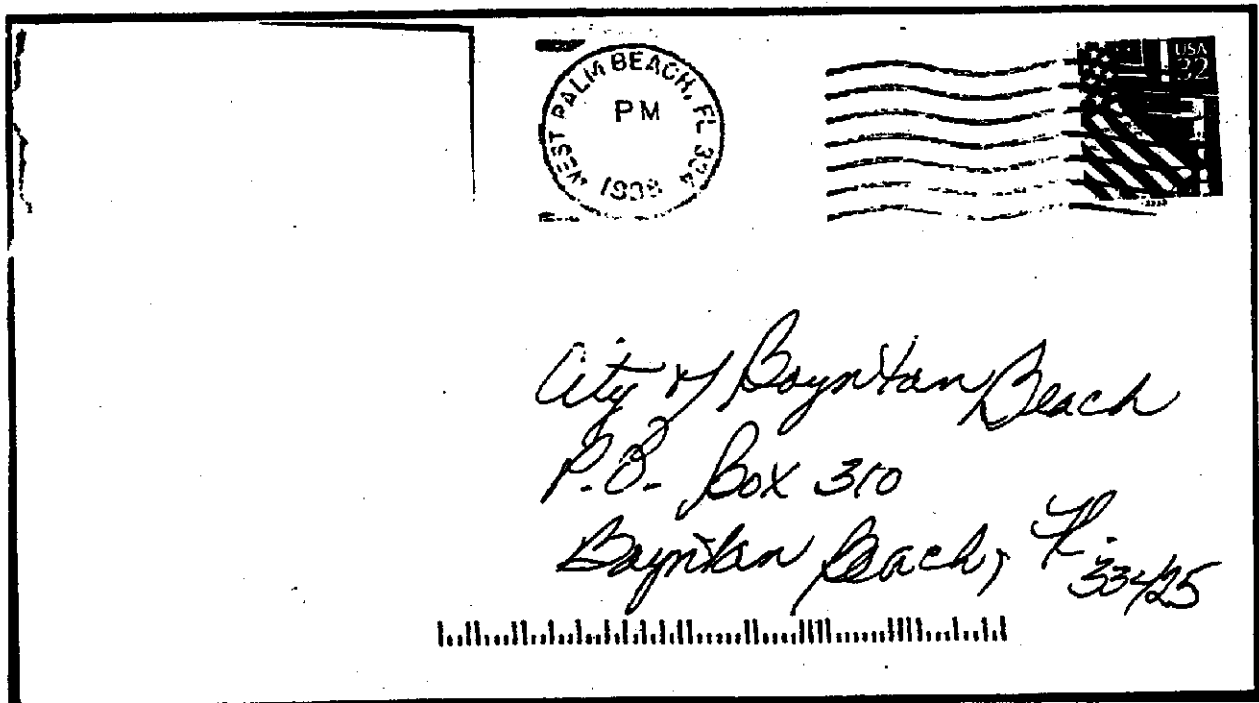
The class of mail desired must be indicated on the face of the piece directly under the postage. In most cases, the piece will be First Class Mail, and rubber stamps can be obtained with this identifier. Note that it is not required that the permit number is displayed (though many collectors have voluntarily acquired custom made stamps having this information).

Also, a return address must appear on the piece.

The mail must be presented to a window clerk at the issuing Post Office. It is not permitted to mail in other postal jurisdictions, nor is it permitted to deposit in drop boxes.

The permit does not have an expiration date, and should not require any renewal process.

COVER OF THE MONTH



The above cover features a 32¢ Flag/Porch #33333. Interestingly, the machine cancel dial does not show any month or day. (Cover courtesy of Frank Nemeth.) (If you have a candidate for *Cover of the Month*, please send a photocopy of your cover against a black background to Rob Washburn, P.O. Box 840, Skowhegan, ME 04976-0840.)

Mailing Permit Application and Customer Profile

See instructions on reverse)

Applicant Information (Please print or type)

Individual or Company Name

2. Applicant's Signature

3. Date

Address (Street and number, apt. or suite no., city, state, and ZIP + 4)

5. Other Names Under Which Company Does Business (If applicable)

Contact Person

7. Federal Agency Cost Code (If applicable)

Telephone ()

9. Will Present Plant Verified Drop Shipment (PVDS)?
 Yes No

Check Type of Permit/Authorization Requested

For Postal Service Use

Check Type of Permit/Authorization Requested	Permit Number	Date Issued	Date Fee Paid	Date Cancelled	Sample Approved
<input type="checkbox"/> Permit Imprint Authorization (Fee applies) <input type="checkbox"/> First-Class <input type="checkbox"/> Mail(A) <input type="checkbox"/> Sid Mail (B) <input type="checkbox"/> Company Permit					
<input type="checkbox"/> Precancelled Stamp or Government Precancelled Stamped Envelope Authorization (No fee)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Meter Precancelled Postmark/Preprinted Rate Markings Authorizations (No fee)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Notification to Present Metered Mail in Bulk (No fee)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Class of Mail <input type="checkbox"/> First-Class <input type="checkbox"/> Mail(A) <input type="checkbox"/> Sid Mail (B)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Reply Mail (BRM) Authorization (Fee applies) a. Post office where BRM will be received					
b. Post office where BRM permit number was issued and annual fee was paid, if applicable					
<input type="checkbox"/> BRM Advance Deposit Account <input type="checkbox"/> BRMAS Approved (Fee applies)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Merchandise Return Service (MRS) Authorization (Fee applies)					
a. Type of Application <input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input type="checkbox"/> Reapplication					
b. Return Location (See over) <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple					
c. Advance Deposit Account <input type="checkbox"/> Each Location <input type="checkbox"/> Centralized					
d. Permit Applied For <input type="checkbox"/> Sid <input type="checkbox"/> Presort Spec <input type="checkbox"/> PP <input type="checkbox"/> BPM <input type="checkbox"/> QLR <input type="checkbox"/> First-Class/Priority <input type="checkbox"/> Mail (A) <input type="checkbox"/> Sid Mail (B)					

Permit Imprint Authorization

(See instructions on reverse)

Permit Number	Date Permit Issued
Fee Due \$	AIC 140

Please Keep This Card for Your Records
 Postmaster or Designee Signature

Issuing Office

Precancelled Stamps Authorization or Notification to Present Metered Mail in Bulk

(See instructions on reverse)

Permit Number	Date Permit Issued
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Please Keep This Card for Your Records
 Postmaster or Designee Signature

Issuing Office

Business Reply Mail Authorization

(See instructions on reverse)

Permit Number	Date Permit Issued
Fee Due \$	AIC 134
BRM w/Advance Deposit Account Fee Due \$	AIC 116

Please Keep This Card for Your Records
 Postmaster or Designee Signature

Issuing Office

Merchandise Return Service Authorization

(See instructions on reverse)

Permit Number	Date Permit Issued
Fee Due \$	AIC 141

Please Keep This Card for Your Records
 Postmaster or Designee Signature

Issuing Office

NOTICE:

Several pages have not been included in this online issue because of privacy concerns dealing with members, their home addresses and collecting interests.

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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Reinstated:

Stephan G. Kravits as a life member

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Slide shows available

Members interested in obtaining PNC slide shows for use at local club meetings and stamp shows should contact John Peterson, 6987 Coleshill Dr., San Diego, CA 92119-1953 or call 619-466-3443.
jkpete@pacbell.net

PNC³ 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, but please make sure to give yourself plenty of lead time.

Annual Meeting August 2001
APS Stampshow - Aug. 25,
Chicago, IL. The Board Meeting is at 9 a.m. Saturday in room 29A. The APS has allotted three hours for the room.

The general membership meeting is slated for 1 p.m. in room 29 and has been given a 2-hour assignment.

The meeting site is the Donald E. Stephens (Rosemont) Convention Center, 5555 North River Road. The center is near O'Hare International Airport, which is located on the west side of Chicago.

No regional meetings have been announced for this fall or winter.

COIL LINE

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Distribution: Alan Thomson, P.O. Box 91, Northwood, NH 03261 or mrsnips@tds.net Mailed under Bulk Rate permit No. 1, Northwood, NH 03261. Contact Alan first about which back issues he has in stock. He may refer you to Charles Still at 15826 N.E. 184th St., Holt, MO 64048 for older issues. Please include an SASE. There is a modest charge to cover expenses.

Changes of address: Should be sent to and membership applications are available from Don Eastman, Secretary, 24 Bemis St., Berlin, NH 03570. east@landmarknet.net

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

Dues: Are \$10 per year (\$15 for First Class mailing of *Coil Line*, \$15 for Canada and Mexico and \$20 for all others) and should be sent to Tom McFarland, Treasurer, P.O. Box 756 Princeton Jct., NJ 08550
pnc3treasurer@home.com

Advertising rates: Are \$42 for a full page, \$24 for 1/2 page and \$12 for 1/4 page per issue. A check or money order made payable to PNC³ must be submitted with the advertising copy. All copy should be sent to the Editor, 909 Parker St., Bowling Green, OH 43402-2107.
E-mail - halallen@wcnet.org
Members are entitled to two free, 40-word ads per year. Word ads are available at 6 cents per word per issue to nonmembers and those members who have used their free ads.

Ads

BISON MISCUT PS5 with plate number and dates on top. Either PV or VP. \$20 check or MO. Alan Thomson, P.O. box 91, Northwood, NH 03261.

ALL NEW! JUST PUBLISHED!
PA's 2001 Guide to Collecting Plate Number Coil Stamps. Full color images. \$26.95 + \$3.75 S&H. Get details at <http://www.connix.com/~philart/> Trade or purchase used PNC singles. Trade your extras for mine at 100% value as listed in my price guide or send for price list to Philatelic Arts, 370 Saw Mill Road, Guilford, CT 06437 or e-mail philart@connix.com Fax 203-453-007. SASE appreciated. Album available for collectors of used PNC singles.

PNC USED SINGLES, used strips and MNH PS5s. Great prices! Visit <http://www.angelfire.com/ca5/HimesPNCs> or send SASE for details. John Himes, P.O. Box 453 Cyprus, CA 90630-0453.

POSTMARK COLLECTORS – Oregon Closed Post Office cover rated up to \$8 on #6 small covers. My asking price is \$6. They are all F/VF. If interested, send for list. Paul m. Dixon, 2620 SE 70th Ave., Portland, OR 97206-1113.

Exhibiting

Please forward all exhibiting reports directly to Gary Davis, Award and Exhibit Chairperson. Contact Gary at 515-279-9598 or gdjdstamp@uswest.net

Tomorrow's Classics, U.S. Flag and Transportation Coil Issues of 1981 – Bill McMurray received a Gold, APS Medal of Excellence, AAPE Creativity in Philatelic Exhibiting Medal at the Minnesota Stamp Expo July 20-22 in Crystal, MN. The exhibit will be at Stampshow and the Omaha Stamp Show Sept. 28-29.

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Letters

PNC Stamp Traders Update

To the Editor:

The new network of members that are interested in trading duplicates has gotten off the ground with 10 members participating.

So far, I have filled 40 empty spaces in my collection and all that it has cost me is some duplicates that I was wondering what to do with. As another participant put it "I think this is one of the more enjoyable forms of collecting, plus the least expensive."

This group is open to all members of the PNC. If you are interested in learning more about it, contact Terry Barnes, PNC #1386 at Perscc11@aol.com or write to 269 Meadowood Lane, St. Paul, MN 55127 or call 651-787-0707.

Succession

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can contribute to contact Don early.

Don't be put off by the fact that you've never held a leadership position in a national organization before. None of the others who've done these jobs in the past did, either, until they stepped forward. There are plenty of precedents to serve as guidance, and there will be continuity on the Board as provided in the Bylaws. What is needed is enthusiasm for the club and PNCs, a bit of organizational skill, and a willingness to work for the good of the club and the hobby.

Remember, without volunteers, the club can't exist. Now is the time to consider taking your turn.

-Gene Trinks