

## PNC Values List (3<sup>rd</sup> Ed.) Order Form

The Plate Number Coil Catalog Committee compiled the third edition of the PNC Values List, a two-section compilation of the median retail price asked by dealers for PNCs. Nearly 100 pages with introduction, they are: (Sec. I) Mint PS5 Strips, Mint PS3 Strips, Used PNC Singles, Used PS3 Strips, Used PS5 Strips; (Sec. II) Mint strips with Back Numbers. The lists each are in denomination order and are identified by Scott and PNC-ID numbers.

The PNC Values List (3rd Ed.) is available for purchase by Plate Number Coil Collectors Club members only, at this time. Orders and remittances received by the Treasurer by April 20, 2006, will be filled in early May 2006. The next opportunity to place an order will be in June 2006. Orders in the USA will be sent as Bound Printed Matter. Orders from outside the USA will be sent air mail.

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| PNC Values List @ \$7.00<br>(80 pages + 7 page intro, with section separators and shrink wrap) | _____                       | _____        |
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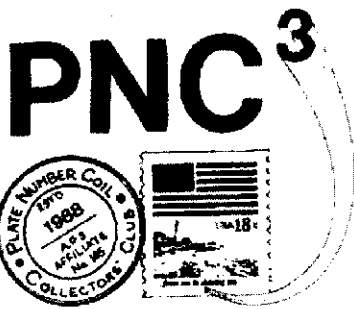
Your PNC<sup>3</sup> Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Your Mailing Address (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

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Please provide your e-mail or evening telephone number in case we need to communicate with you regarding your order. Thank you.



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## Washington 2006 still needed

Last call for members to volunteer for staffing the PNC3 booth at Washington 2006, May 27 through June 3.

Frank Covey's President's column in the May *Coil Line* will present the PNC3 complete program at the Washington Exhibition.

Contact Bob Hubsmith at [lobohub@earthlink.net](mailto:lobohub@earthlink.net) or by telephone at 973-838-7744. We need your help.

## Address changes must go to secretary

If your mailing address changes, please be sure to notify the Club Secretary directly. Filing a forwarding address with the postal service is not always reliable or timely. If and when the club is notified of your new address, a fee must be paid. Please don't make the club pay for USPS address corrections unnecessarily.

Address changes must be received by the Secretary by the 15th of the month before the move is effective, so that *Coil Line* printing and mailing deadlines can be met, and so your *Coil Line* subscription will not be interrupted.

If you have Internet access, the best way to report address changes to the Secretary is through the club Web site address change page, or by direct email to [secretary@pnc3.org](mailto:secretary@pnc3.org). Otherwise, mail address changes to Tom McFarland, Secretary, PO Box 756, Princeton Jct., NJ 08550.

The Secretary occasionally receives requests from members to automatically update their seasonal mailing addresses at some date in the future. Unfortunately, such requests can't be accommodated. Those members who have seasonal addresses must notify the Secretary for each move.

## Committee takes stand on Common Buckeye

On page 43 members will find an article detailing how the PNC3 Catalog Committee will treat the handling of the Common Buckeye stamp issued March 8.

The article details how peak/valley counts will be determined and lists several reasons for the position.

## Message from the President:

### Values Lists 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition

On the front of this issue of *Coil Line* is an order form for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition of the Values Lists. Please send us your order by April 20 to receive your copy in a timely manner. Vacations and Washington 2006 will slow the delivery down for orders received after that date.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> edition consists of two lists i.e., a Values List and a Back Number Values List. The two lists combined total over 80 pages.

The Values List shows median dealer prices for PS3, PS5, used singles, used PS3 and used PS5. This is the first Values List to show used multiple pricing. As in the past, volunteers entered prices from a number of dealers onto a spreadsheet, and the spreadsheet calculated the median price for each of the categories shown above.

The Back Number Values List is the second listing. It consists of median prices for PS5 number on number strips (strips where the back number and plate number appear on the same stamp) and PS5 back numbers elsewhere on the strip. It's been just over ten years since back numbers made their first appearance and back number collecting is increasing in popularity as a PNC collecting specialty.

The Values Lists have been our most popular catalog offering. Printing a large number of copies lowers our printing costs on a per copy basis. If you intend to order the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Values List, please do so promptly so that we can get the best discount on volume printing. The next window of opportunity to process and ship orders, after the April 20<sup>th</sup> deadline, will be in June 2006.

This month PNC collecting turns 25 years old. On April 24, 1981, the 18c Flag (. . . from sea to shining sea) plate number one became the first plate number ever issued on a coil as part of the design.

The April 2006 edition of *Scott Stamp Monthly* has an excellent article by Ken Lawrence entitled "Celebrating 25 years of Plate Number Coils". The article recounts the evolution of plate number coils and gives a good account of their early history. If you are a new comer to plate

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number coil collecting, this article will give you important information about the PNC collecting specialty. A copy of the April 2006 Scott Stamp Monthly can be purchased for \$10.95 post paid by calling Product Customer Service at 800 572-6885.

— Frank Covey

## Letters

### Additional thoughts on precancels

To the Editor:

Responding to Doug Iams letter about precancels on cover in the January 2006 Coil Line I wish to share my thoughts.

I have an accumulation of junk mail covers with PNCs I have received in the mail over the years. While I know from my own collecting experience that these covers are generally not desirable except to a specialized collector, I have retained them for my own interest, and after my initial examination, I placed them in an accumulation box where they remained largely forgotten by me until I read Doug's letter and opened the box to look at the assortment.

The covers range from 5¢ through the 25¢ and all seem to have made the transition through the mails without post-

me through my mailbox. I only found one with a mailer's postmark.

One concern I have is if Scott places a higher value on precancel stamped covers because they are "postally used" without cancellations, what prevents an unscrupulous individual from taking a premium single valued at 4-5 dollars, steaming off an inexpensive counterpart, and creating a cover worth 50 dollars? I would think a mailer's postmark tying the stamp(s) to cover would be a great way to verify the item is postally used and genuine. This might also create a new category in the collecting field.

Tom Hamilton  
121 2nd Ave W #104  
Kalispell, MT 59901-4

### Tom Haire will be missed by club members

To the Editor:

It was with great sadness that I learned of the passing of a good friend and fellow PNC collector, Tom Haire. I was traveling and also upgrading our winter property in Congress, AZ when my belated *Coil Line* finally caught up with me, Tom was a stalwart leader and attendee in the early years of the Regional meetings at the Sarasota National Stamp Exhibition. As time progressed, he then stepped down favoring another organizer, but still

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## SPECIAL OFFER

I have purchased from a deceased dealer's estate more than a ton of on paper U.S. Mixture covering the last 10 years or so. This mix is packed in 25-pound (shipping weight) boxes. Most stamps in two boxes that I have sorted through seem to be on a single paper. Although I came across a few close trimmed or double paper items, along with a handful of nice foreign, as well as Christmas, hi value, and a nice quantity of commens, and most impressive lots of nice PNCs. I would normally sell this mix at \$5.00 per pound. However, the dealer stored this hoard in one of his barns. I assume that he planned to market them in the future. Anyway, because the boxes were poorly stored the paper has taken on a musty smell. There is no mold, just an odor. The stamps are fine. One has only to remove goodies and send the balance to recycling! So here's the deal, if you don't mind the musty vintage I will send you a 25-pound shipping Wt. Box for \$50.00 postpaid. That's just \$2.00 per pound delivered! Just send your check or M.O. along with your name and address and I'll ship promptly. Thanks and happy PNC'ing.

Chuck Maloney, P;O; Box 10531, Springfield, MO 65808.

## FOR SALE USA PLATE NUMBER COILS USED ONLY

Lot A – 150 different numbers off paper. No damaged. \$25 or two of the same order \$45. No Limit.

Lot B – Unpicked PNCs on paper mixture, only the PNCs counted. 500 pieces, \$40.

Lot C – Unpicked PNC off paper mixture. No damage. Great variety, 500 pieces, \$60.

Lot D – Unpicked PNCs on paper mixture. No damage, regarding for catalog value 1/2-pound \$75.

Every lot contains singles, pairs, strips of three and five.

Appreciate \$5.00 for shipping handling via Priority Mail.

John Nistoran

1595 Parkside Drive

Tracy, CA 95376

## PEAKS AND VALLEYS ON 24¢ COMMON BUCKEYE

The 24¢ Common Buckeye stamp issued on March 8<sup>th</sup> was printed by Avery Dennison. As with past Avery issues, there are two major differences in the peak/valley orientation with respect to the stamp's design. This has not been a problem in the past, as collectors have agreed to define the PV and VP varieties by looking at the stamp image in an upright manner and counting peaks and valleys starting at the upper left corner of the stamp. The Buckeye, however, has caused some concern because it has a horizontal orientation of the image instead of the common vertical orientation. Collectors and dealers have questioned how the PV and VP varieties should be determined. Other vertical coils (Antique Toys, for example) have not had die cut varieties, so this subject has not come up before.

One opinion proposed that the orientation of the image be ignored, and that the peak/valley count should begin, as previously, at the upper left corner of the stamps as they come off the rolls when holding the roll in the right hand and taking stamps to the left (that is, when oriented with the 24 at the upper right).

A differing opinion held that, since the orientation of the stamp is different from previous Avery issues (horizontal, not vertical), the upright image should dictate the starting point of the peak/valley count. This view also held that the starting point should, as previously, begin at the upper left of the stamp and proceed to the right (because the die cut is horizontal on this stamp).

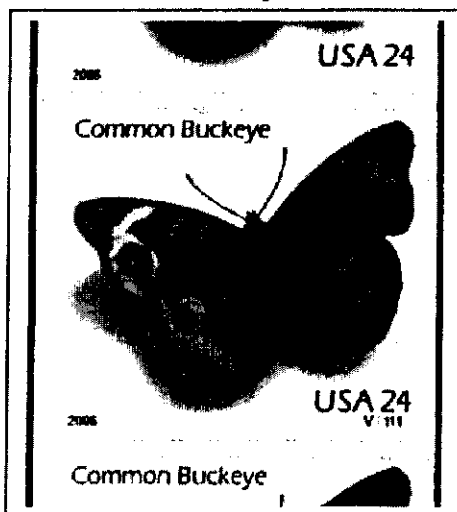
The PNC<sup>3</sup> Catalog Committee solicited opinions on the matter from concerned individuals and organizations through postings on the PNC website and on the US Stamps forum. Committee members also spoke by phone with dealers, collectors and leaders of other organizations to gain specific insights about the options.

After review of the various inputs, the Committee has determined as follows: **The stamp should be viewed in its horizontal orientation (24 in lower right corner). Peak/valley counts begin at the upper left and continue to the upper right.** This approach will be adopted on the website and in the PNC<sup>3</sup> Catalog of Plate Number Coils.

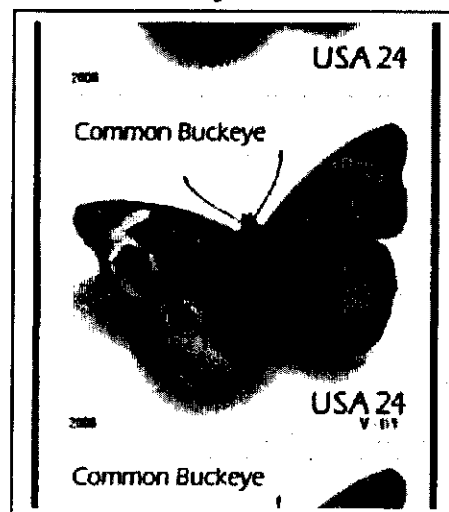
Supporting this decision are the following reasons:

- Scott Publishing has determined that it will list the stamp as a vertical coil, with horizontal die cuts. This puts the image upright with the plate number in the lower right of the stamp with an upright orientation.
- Most collectors will view the stamp in its horizontal orientation (image upright).
- PNC collectors are commonly counting peaks and valleys beginning from the upper left of an upright image.
- Booklet PV counts begin at the upper left of the stamp when the image is viewed upright.
- APNSS, the plate number singles society, prefers this orientation and we desire to maintain consistency.
- Future stamps may have orientation issues/concerns not addressed by this decision. It will be reasonable in the future to use the orientation of the plate number as the starting point. Keeping the plate number upright, peak/valley counts should begin at the upper left corner and proceed to the lower left, unless the left edge is a straight die cut (vertical coil) in which case count will be from left to right.

Peak/Valley



Valley/Peak



# CURRENT ISSUE NUMBERS & ROLL SIZES

03/10/06 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: G. Washington: [12] for BCA, [11] for Avery.

**PRINTER PLATE NUMBER PREFIX LETTERS:**

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| A - American Bank Note    | P - Ashton-Potter          |
| B - Banknote Corp. of Am. | S - Sennett Security Prod. |
| G - Guilford Gravure      | V - Avery-Dennison         |
| M - 3M                    | None - BEP                 |

39c L/FLAG (SA) [10]

#V1111 C, D

39c L/FLAG [14]

#S1111\* A, C, D

(39c) L/FLAG [14]

#S1111 C

(39c) L/F (SA) [14] [11]

#S1111 A  
 #V1111 A  
 #P1111 A [31]  
 #P2222 A [31]

1c KESTREL [24]

#1111 B, C (TYPE I)  
 #1111 B (TYPE II)  
 #1111 C (TYPE III)  
 #2222 C  
 #3333 C  
 #4444 C

1c LAMP [14]

#S11111 C

2c WOODPECKER [24]

#11111 C, D  
 #22222 D

3c STAR [14]

#S111 D

3c COFFEE POT [14]

#S1111 D

5c TOLEWARE [14]

#S111111 D

37c EGRET (SA) [11] [31]

#V1111 A  
 #V2111 A  
 #V2121 A#  
 #V3211 A#  
 #V3212 A  
 #V3221 A  
 #V3222 A  
 #P11111 A  
 #P22222 A  
 #P33333 A  
 #P44444 A  
 #P55555 A

23c G. W. (SA) [12] [11]

#B11 A  
 #V11 A  
 #V13 A  
 #V21 A  
 #V22 A  
 #V24 A  
 #V35 A  
 #V36 A  
 #V45 A  
 #V46 A

24c BUCKEYE (SA) [11]

#V1111\* A

(5c) SEA (SA) [20][22][20]

#B111 D  
 #P1111 D  
 #P2222 C, D [27]  
 #P3333 D [27]  
 #P4444 D [27]  
 #P5555 D [27]  
 #P6666 D [27]  
 #P7777 D [27]  
 #S1111 D

(10c) LION (SA) [21]

#S11111 D  
 #S22222 D  
 #S33333 D  
 #S44444 D  
 #S55555 D [20]  
 #S66666 D [20]  
 #S77777 D [20]

(10c) LION [14]

#S11111 B, C

(15c) WOODY (SA) [21]

#S11111 D

(5c) SEACOAST [10] [14]

#B111 B, D  
 #S1111 C  
 #S1111 D (lum ink)

(25c) DINER [14]

#S11111 D

(25c) DINER (SA) [21]

#11111 D  
 #22211 C, D  
 #22222 C, D  
 #33333 D  
 #44444 D  
 #55555 D

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

#B1111 D  
 #V11111 D  
 #V11222 D  
 #V12111 ?  
 #V12222 C, D  
 #V13222 ?  
 #V21111 D  
 #V21211 C, D  
 #V22111 D  
 #V22211 C  
 #V22222 D  
 #V23113 D  
 #V32332 D  
 #V33332\* ?  
 #V33333 D

(25c) EAGLE (SA) [20]

#S1111111 D (03 DATE)  
 #S2222222 D  
 #S3333333 D  
 #S1111111 C (05 DATE)

(25c) EAGLE [10]

#S1111111 C

39c OFFICIAL [14]

#S1111\* A

? - Known used only

Sennett's SA Lion S55555 was printed with a different size cylinder than previous plate numbers. Consequently the plate number interval changed from 21 to 20. S55555 & higher have the 20 interval.

Ashton Potter's SA Seacoast P2222 was die cut with two different mats. One is serpentine cut on all four sides while the other has serpentine cuts on the sides and straight cuts on top and bottom.

● In printing the SA Seacoast with cylinders P2222 through P7777 AP changed the cylinder size from that used to print P1111. Thus the plate number intervals changed from 22 to 27. P3333 through P7777 have a small date and color order of BCMY.

■ 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.

# - Known used only

## Candidates for 2006 Election to PNC<sup>3</sup> Board

In preparation for the forthcoming elections, candidates have submitted brief biographical information so members may become a bit more familiar with their choices in electing candidates to the Executive Board in the next term. The following members in good standing are candidates for the positions Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The full slate of candidates will be listed next month.

### Vice President

Tom McFarland Princeton Jct, NJ

I am a long time stamp collector and began collecting PNCs about a dozen years ago. In addition to PNCs, my collecting interests include US self-adhesive convertible and vending booklets, general US, Canada, UN, Machin definitives, and Ireland. Other than stamps, my outside interests include old cars, woodworking, music, and computers. Professionally, I have been employed in the IT industry for the past 33 years, and have contributed in various positions to development and maintenance of a variety of business systems applications.

I have been a PNC<sup>3</sup> Board member for eight years, four as Treasurer and four as Secretary. I'm running for Vice President because I feel it's important to have some continuity on the board, as some of the issues that will come before the Board may have long histories. Of particular interest to me are seeing that the club-produced PNC catalog continues to move forward to completion. I feel that the publications produced by the Catalog Committee have been instrumental in recruiting new members. I would also like to see more membership services offered on the PNC<sup>3</sup> web site, to assist both members and those who volunteer their services to the club.

Eric Russow Hartland, WI

I am a founding member of PNC. My wife Bernadette and I currently reside in Hartland Wisconsin, outside of Milwaukee. We operate our own business as Representatives of Primerica Financial Services, since 1999. I have collected stamps since my early teens, in New York City, that's over 8 ½ in dog years. My specialties have always been only U.S. Plate Blocks (including complete matched sets) and coil plate numbers. I have previously served the club as Secretary. I feel I can help the club with my participation as a vice-president, having had the opportunity of meeting and working with most of the leadership previously.

### Secretary

Dan Farrar Canton, OH

A PNC<sup>3</sup> member since 1992, I began collecting PNC mint and used in 1981. Since my local philatelic window closed a few years ago I started concentrating on my commercial cover accumulation. I also collect Presidential Inaugural Covers. I am a member of the McKinley Stamp Club in Canton, Ohio. I have attended a few of the annual meetings and enjoyed meeting many of our members.

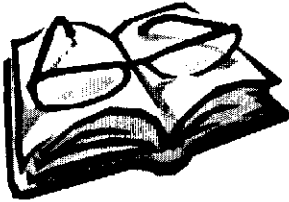
### Treasurer

Harvey Wales Vernon Hills, IL

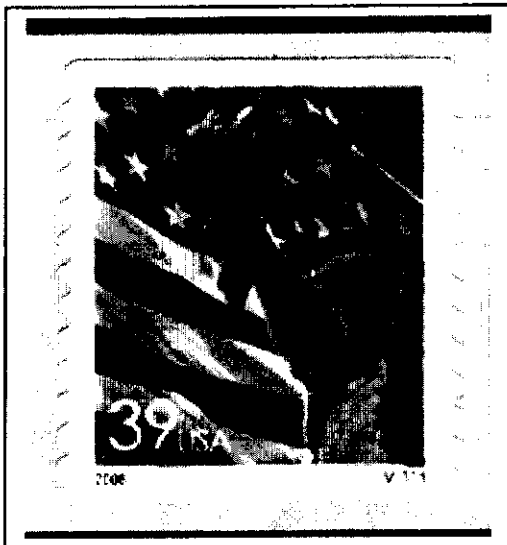
Semi-retired business consultant. Married with four children and three grandchildren. Have been collecting stamps since 1970. My early business experience was in the printing industry and I am a history buff so I gravitated toward collecting stamps that demonstrated the skills of an artful engraver and the multiple forms of the printing processes. This was the genesis for my interest in the Transportation series and Plate Number Coil collecting. I collect mint plate strips of 5, including precancels and constant plate varieties.

I have been a member of PNC<sup>3</sup> for ten years and have greatly appreciated and benefited from the efforts of current and previous officers to provide information to stamp collectors in general and specifically to those of us bitten by the PNC bug. The PNC<sup>3</sup> organization's Website and the development of the PNC<sup>3</sup> catalog with its succinct information regarding my collecting specialization have provided countless hours of enjoyment over the years. Now that I have more free time, I feel that I can pay back, in a small way, the efforts of my predecessors and further the goals of the PNC<sup>3</sup> organization, officers and members.

Catalog Corner



The first denominated 39c coil is the Lady Liberty and U. S. Flag from Avery Dennison (PNC ID 2006-1). It was scheduled for release on January 9, 2006 (a Monday), the day after the 39c first class rate went into effect. As seen by the cropped cover at the bottom of this page, in at least one location, it was available three days earlier.



39c Lady Liberty &  
U. S. Flag (AVR) (SA)  
Plate V1111  
PNC ID 2006-1

The images below and to the left show this is a self-adhesive coil on backing paper which is taller than the stamp and with spaces between the stamps. Initially, it was issued in a coil of ten thousand (10K), but on February 8<sup>th</sup> it became available in 3K rolls.

The plate number appears every 10 stamps along the roll. The only plate number known to date is V1111.

Five-digit aqua back numbers occur every ten stamps on the back of the liner. Since the back number interval and plate number interval are the same, on a given roll, back numbers stay the same distance away from the plate number. Both 10K and 3K rolls have only 5-digit middle back numbers.

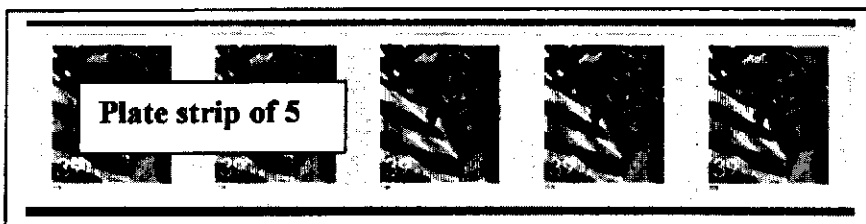
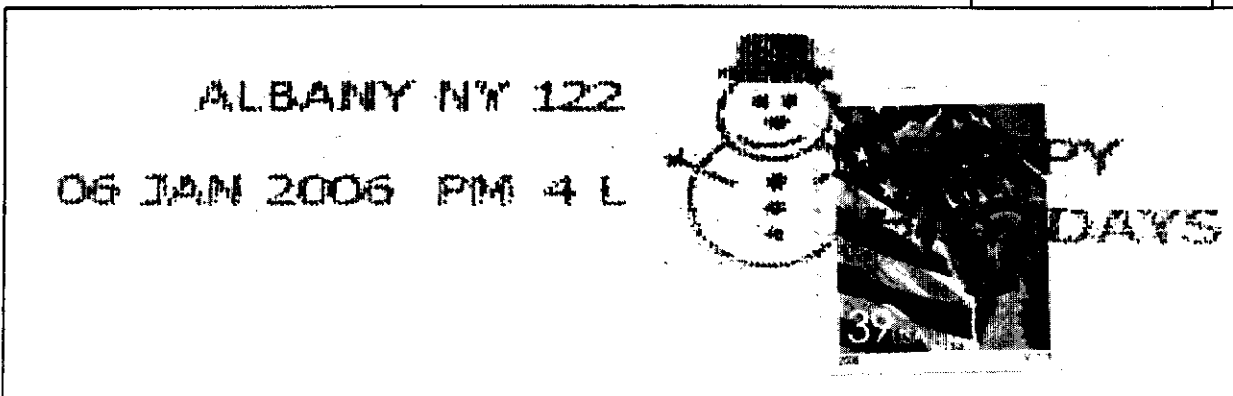
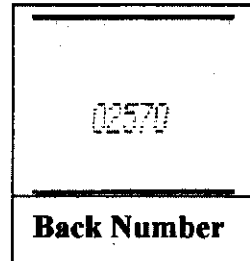
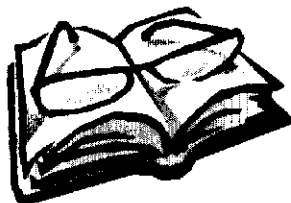


Plate strip of 5



Catalog Corner



The Ashton Potter (AP) self-adhesive nondenominated Lady Liberty and U. S. Flag is the third of three self-adhesive rolls of 100 issued on December 8, 2005. It pays the 39 cent first class rate that went into effect January 8, 2006.

The plate number appears every 31 stamps along the roll. The initial plate number to appear was P2222, but by the end of January 2006 plate P1111 had been found. So far this is the only NDN Lady Liberty and Flag with two plate numbers. There is a black 2006 date in the lower left corner of every stamp.

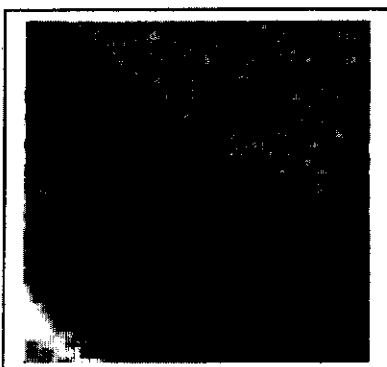
These coils are bound with a wrapper (shown below) then each roll is separately shrink-wrapped.

This coil can be distinguished from the other NDN self-adhesive Lady Liberty and Flag coils by its wavy die cut, the micro-printed "USPS" on the top red stripe of the flag, and by the plate numbers which all begin with the letter "P", the prefix code used by Ashton Potter.

This is the last issue of 2005 and like the other NDN Lady Liberty and Flag issues is included in the PNC<sup>3</sup> Catalog with the 2005 New Issues.

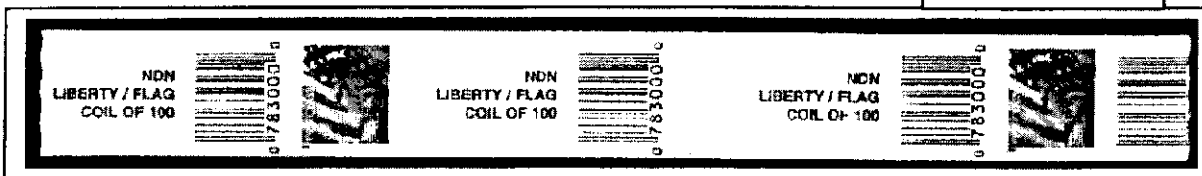


(39c) NDN Lady Liberty &  
U. S. Flag (AP) (SA)  
Plate P2222  
PNC ID 2005-8



A micro-printed "USPS"  
appears on every stamp on  
the top red stripe to the  
right of the star field.

Wrapper that  
binds the coil



# RETURN TO SENDER

Rats! It finally happened. After years of franking mail with Bureau Precanceled/Service Inscribed stamps, I was finally stonewalled. Here's the story.

## The Story

I recently sent my US Cellular bill payment check in the return payment envelope supplied. I franked it with 8 Mountain NONPROFIT ORG stamps in two rows of four, thereby giving the 'poor' Postal Service an extra penny to spend where they wished. I carried the bill to my local Post Office, where my "Permit to Use" is held, and handed it to the Postmaster (PM) who checked it and hand canceled the stamps with two strikes from her red double circle date stamp with a 15 Feb 2006 date, and sent it merrily on its way.

Two days later, the bill payment was returned to the PM with the label headed: RETURN TO SENDER STANDARD. BULK. & NON-PROFIT RATE IS APPLICABLE TO PRINTED MATTER ONLY AND MAY NOT BE DROPPED INTO COLLECTION BOXES, along with a magenta RETURN FOR POSTAGE - .39c, stamped beneath.

The PM poked out a PVI label for \$0.00 value, stuck it on the cover and re-canceled the stamps again with her red double circle canceler, all dated the 17<sup>th</sup> of February, and returned it to the mail stream. All seemed well.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of February's pm mail delivery, the cover returned again along with another cover with like franking which I had posted on the 16<sup>th</sup>. This one had black marker stripes across the row of 8 stamps, and the noted RTS rubber stamp postage due .39c strike applied, along with a note from the "Review Clerk" from the Mail Distribution Center in Petaluma, advising the PM of the proper use of bulk stamps and directing the PM to advise me of the proper protocol in usage of these stamps. The covers and the note were picked up on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> of February.

## The Problem

My billing was due on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February, I had mailed payment to arrive in sufficient time in Illinois (I thought!). As this was already a day late and no mails on Sunday, I was on fire with no one to attack until Monday! This could reflect on my credit perhaps?

## The Evidence

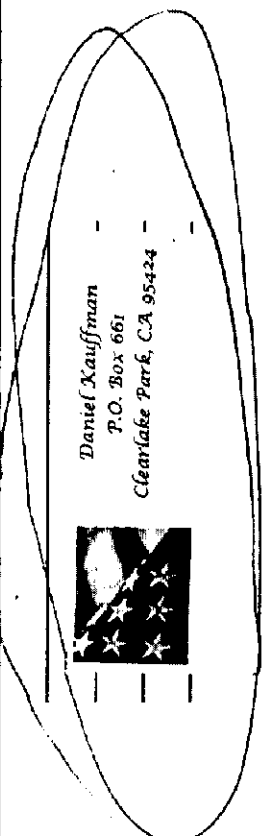
As my cover had been properly handled IAW the Domestic Mail Manual, including a red 1<sup>st</sup> CLASS rubber stamp applied beneath the franking, and mailed with hand stamped CDSs of the 15<sup>th</sup> from Clearlake Park, there should have been no problem. When it was returned again to the mail stream a second time with a PVI and recancels dated the 17<sup>th</sup>, one would think bells would start ringing somewhere. Unfortunately, there must have been too much padding! (See accompanying encl. showing front and back of subject piece.)

The billing return windowed envelope has a corner card of US Cellular only and the recipient address shows in the window. The sender's return address space is on the back flap. The clerk tried to peek inside for evidence of sender; (noted by tears and missing pieces of the cover and window cellophane - the USPS machinery tears up the end of covers - not the middle!) but to no avail. Then he looked on the back. Eureka! He excitedly double circled the address, Xed out the corner card, and looped the missive back the first time. When the cover returned again, and probably, with another of like appearance, they were sidelined and held for 7 days before again returning them to sender.

## Pursuing the Problem

On Monday morning, the 27<sup>th</sup>, I contacted the Clearlake Park PM about the problem. We knew the Review Clerk's name and the PM said she would contact the Center in regard to the returns. As I had a day for cooling, I consented and waited. In the meantime, I went to the local cell phone office and paid my bill directly - but tardy. I was still chuffed and wrote a letter to the

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Daniel Kauffman  
P.O. Box 661  
Clearlake Park, CA 95424



**Please remember to:**

- Write your account number on the check
- Enclose the remittance portion of the bill
- Check the box on the remittance portion of the bill to indicate change of address
- Allow 7-10 days processing time for your mailed payment

~~U.S. Cellular~~



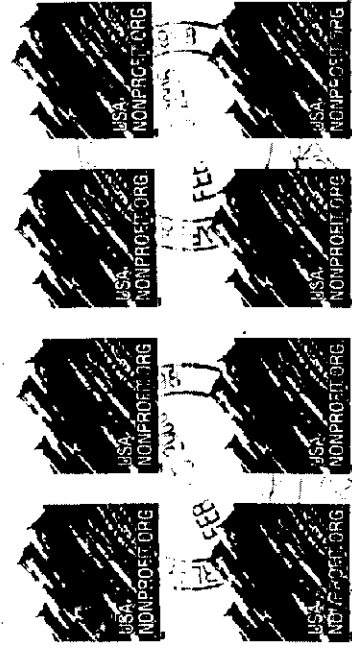
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PALATINE IL 60055-0203



60055

U.S. POSTAGE  
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CLEARLAKE PARK, CA  
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FEB 17, 06  
AMOUNT

**\$0.00**  
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RETURN TO SENDER  
& NON-PROFIT RATE  
STANDARD. BULK & PRINTED MATTER  
IS APPLICABLE TO PRINTED MATTER  
ONLY AND MAY NOT BE DROPPED INTO  
COLLECTION BOXES

**POST PAID**

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**RETURNED FOR POSTAGE**

# 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, Janet Gillis, 2485 Falmouth Rd. Fairlawn, OH 44333-4045 with the objection.

The committee will recommend for or against membership.

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## Recap:

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Previous membership count | 829 |
| New members               | 2   |
| Reinstated                | 6   |
| New Membership Count      | 837 |

## PNC<sup>3</sup> meetings and slide shows

A listing of scheduled Regional and Annual Meetings will be published in *Coil Line*.

Until a new Regional Meeting coordinator is appointed, please send notices of meetings directly to the Coil Line Editor.

**Saturday, April 29** – Plymouth Show, Plymouth, MI, Central Middle School. Meeting at 11:30 a.m.

**May 2006** — Washington 2006, May 27-June 3, Washington, D.C. PNC<sup>3</sup> will celebrate the 25th anniversary of Plate Number Coils. Details to be announced. Tentative PNC meeting date is May 27. Work continues on the one-frame 16-page exhibit. Pages will eventually be posted on the Web Site for review and comments. Three seminars are planned for May 29, May 30 and June 3. Volunteers needed to staff club table all eight days of the show. Contact Bob Hubsmith - lobohub@earthlink.net to find out when you can help. **August 24-27 2006** — Stampshow will be held in Chicago. Details later.

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## Ads

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## Letters

**(Continued from page xx)** attendee in the early years of the Regional meetings at the Sarasota National Stamp Exhibition. As time progressed, he then stepped down favoring another organizer, but still attended meetings.

Tom got "Teen", his wife, a new fancy sewing machine and she went to work making name labels for all the regular attendees. Quite beautiful and fancy. "Teen" was proud of her accomplishment and so were the rest of us.

Tom collected used singles and was diligent in completion of the different issues.

He wintered in Florida but returned to his summer residence in North Carolina dubbing himself a "half-back," not returning to the far North as most snowbirds do.

I, and many others, will sorely miss Tom, his good humor and charm.

Dan Kauffman  
Congress, AZ

### Rarities column appreciated

To the Editor:

It is collector's like Gene Trinks that make collecting plate number coils fun. If it were not for his articles on Rarities, they would still be sitting in an envelope in a drawer probably headed to some stamp club for donation to kids.

Through his column "Reporting the Rarities", I have found five of the rarities on his list. I can assure you that they are not in my drawer but in my collection.

I know many of you probably have plenty of extra used PNC's laying around waiting to be looked over. Wait no longer. We wonder if they are worth anything. If you go back and look at some of the older US Stamps, different perforations make big bucks in the price you pay. There should be no difference in the pricing of rare plate number which have rare die cuts, perforations reserved. Time will only tell.

Gerald Blankenship PNC3 #587

## Return to

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Manager of the center and copied "enfant Plaza USPS Customer Relations in regard to people not knowing their jobs.

### Revenge?

Since that time I've used Service inscribed stamps on about all of my outgoing mail (I've got a ton of them!) and I type a two-line note beneath the red 1st Class, "Permit to use pre-canceled stamps authorized - READ THE DMM!" Of course the Facer/canceler will kick the non-tagged covers. The Review Clerk will get the message. My mail will go through (I hope!). School will have been held. But I'll never recover my 80 cents! And I have not gotten any more returns.

Dan Kauffman  
Clearlake Park, CA

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- 11) Scott 2527 29c Rose pane of 10, plate #K1111. My price \$7.50.
- 12) Scott 2528a 29c Flag with Olympic rings, Pane of 10 with plate #K11111 My Price \$7.50.
- 13) Scott 2441a 25c Love stamp. Pane of 10, plate #1211. My price \$20.
- 14) Scott 2409a 25c Steamboats. Pane of 5. Plate Numbers 1 and 2. \$10 each.
- 15) 2597a 29c Eagle ATM pane of 17 stamps Plate #S111 (color print in red) Price \$10. Same except brown #B1111-2. Price \$10.
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- 18) Scott 2427a 25c Christmas 1989 pane of 10, plate #1. Price. \$10.
- 19) Scott 2443a "Umbrella" 15c, pane of 10. Plate #1111 Price \$5.
- 20) Scott 2649a 29c Hummingbirds. Pane of 5. Plate #11111, 2212112. Price is \$5 each.
- 21) Scott 2475 "F" stamp pane of 12. Price \$10.
- 22) Scott 2593a 29c Flag pane of 10. Plate #1 1111 (print in black) Price \$10.
- 23) Scott 2594a Flag pane of 10 with plate #K1111 (printed in red) scarce Price \$20.
- 24) Scott 2516a 25c Christmas Tree. Pane of 10 Plate #1211. Price \$10.
- 25) Scott 2514b 25c Christmas Pane of 10 Plate #1 Price \$10.
- 26) 2578A 29c Christmas 1991 Pane of 10 Plate #1 Price \$5.
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- 29) Scott 2552a 29c Desert Storm Pane of 5. Plate #A1112 1111. Price \$5.
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- 36) Scott 2069 29c Broadway Musical pane of 4. Plate #A11121. My price \$4.
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- 38) Scott 2070 Western Singers pane of 4, plate number A2222. My price \$4.
- 39) Scott 2158 29 Flower pane of 5, plate #2. Price \$4.
- 40) Scott 2105 29c Flowers, pane of 5, plate #1. Price \$4
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- 43) Scott 2064 29c Locomotive, pane of 18 plate #V11111. Price %10. Three panes for \$25.
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- 47) Scott 2128 29c Plate Block Christmas plate # K1-4444. Price \$4.
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**All items are guaranteed or your money back.**

**If you are not happy, just return it.**

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