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## From the President.

I am back from my travels. Our family went to Italy and then upon our return went on a road trip through the Midwest and then I turned around and went back to Salt Lake. While in Italy I visited a stamp store in Florence and picked up a catalogue of the collector's stamps. I will bring it to the next club meeting from those interested in Italian and Italian colonies stamps.

I have to thank Mike Braet for filling in while I was gone. I did keep in touch with him and I see that he and Lisa worked out the problems we were having with the zoom part of our meeting. I was able to enter the meeting from Salt Lake City in August and it was good for me to see the meeting from that side of the camera. The presentation by George Struble worked great and we were able to see and hear George's presentation perfectly. We could hear Mark Dochez's presentation but it was more difficult to see the frame of the month. I am not sure what can be done about this. There was no auction in August so I did not get to see how this part of the meeting flows.

I look forward getting back to the Scottish Rite Center and hearing about the Great American Stamp Show in Sacramento.

*David Morelli*

## August Meeting.

George Stellingwerf's presentation on "Modern Counterfeits" had to be postponed for personal reasons. The Society is grateful to two members who stepped in to cover for this.

George Struble gave an expanded talk on some early Swiss Air Mail covers and their journeys to Hawaii—and their intriguing way back to Switzerland by different routes.

Mark Dochez gave an unscheduled topical "Frame of the Month" on the history of bicycles including some helpful advice on how to get on and off a penny-farthing!

## September Meetings.

Our regular meeting on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September includes a presentation by Larry Crain entitled "Mystery History". Bob Reynolds has put together a Bid Board of 60 Lots (listed below with images of selected lots).

If you cannot attend in person or on Zoom you can still place bids by calling Bob (503 580-6574) or sending him an email to: [renroost@aol.com](mailto:renroost@aol.com)

Our Fall STAMPEX takes place on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September at the Scottish Rite Center on Commercial St., South Salem. Doors open at 10am, entrance is free and there will be hourly door prizes so please plan to attend and make the show a success.

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## A Golden Postbox.

In Britain the sight of a red postbox on the streets is so common that it rarely gets noticed. On a recent visit to the historic city of Lincoln in the east of England the postbox below certainly caught my attention. The hexagonal design and “V R” royal insignia said it dated from the Victorian era which is relatively uncommon. What was even more unusual was that it was painted gold rather than the classic Post Office red.



The explanation was given on a plaque at the base. After the London 2012 Summer Olympics and Paralympics various postboxes were painted gold in the home towns of all the British gold medal winners. This particular postbox celebrated Sophie Wells from Lincoln who won gold in the equestrian team event. On further research it turns out that of all the 110 post boxes painted gold this was the only example of a Victorian hexagonal design box so making it unique.

A label above the insignia shows that it was also designated a Priority postbox for the collection of Covid home test samples. This indicates that the box is emptied more regularly than normal including on Sundays so that delivery to regional test labs by the following morning could be guaranteed. This almost matches the normal delivery expected of mail posted in this box when new in Victorian times!

Although letter boxes had been used in France since the 17<sup>th</sup> Century they only started to appear in Britain in the early 1800's. They were originally installed in or on the walls of Post Offices, the first being at the Wakefield P.O. in 1809. Anthony Trollope (author and P.O. official) oversaw the introduction of the first cast iron pillar boxes in the Channel Islands in the 1850's. This design proved successful and was adopted in England from 1859 onwards.

Between 1866 and 1879 the cast iron hexagonal pillar box (designed by John Penfold) became the standard design of which the Lincoln postbox above is a surviving example. The first boxes were painted green but in 1874 the now familiar P.O. red colour was adopted in Britain. After 1879 a



cylindrical design was used for pillar boxes. A series of GB stamps issued in 2002 featured the evolution of the pillar box (see above).

In the 1890's smaller postboxes were designed for attachment to lampposts and telegraph poles or set into walls and were used in areas of lower volume of mail. Examples of these can be seen in the GB



miniature sheet from 2009 (see above).

One exception to the universal Post Office Red paint for pillar boxes could be seen in the 1930's. With the development of more reliable and regular flights from the UK to Europe and beyond, **blue** post boxes for air mail were set up on certain London streets (see example at top).

On our trip to the UK we also saw near Blackpool an informal and whimsical decoration of a postbox (see right). This knitted cover entitled “BEE HAPPY” was possibly part of a recent local street party celebration for the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth.



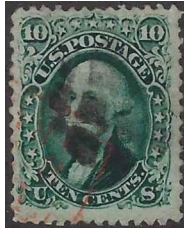


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## September 2022 Bid Board



Lot 1



Lot 2



Lot 3



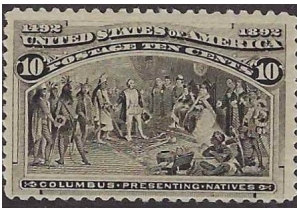
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Lot 9



Lot 10



Lot 11



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Lot 14



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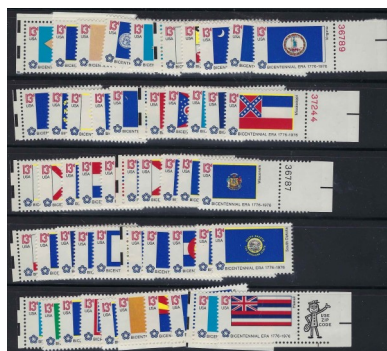
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Lot 24



Lot 25



Lot 17



Lot 26



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## September 2022 Bid Board



Lot 30



Lot 33



Lot 35



Lot 27



Lot 34



Lot 40



Lot 38



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## September 2022 Bidboard

LOT #	COUNTRY	DESCRIPTION	SCOTT #	VALUE	MIN BID	NOTES
1	United States	1861 1 cent Franklin, Used	63	\$ 100.00	\$ 20.00	
2	United States	1861 10 cent Washington, Used	68	\$ 55.00	\$ 15.00	Nice Stamp!
3	United States	1861 12 cent Washington, Used	69	\$ 95.00	\$ 20.00	
4	United States	1869 2 cent pictorial, Used	113	\$ 80.00	\$ 15.00	
5	United States	1870 1 cent Franklin, used	145	\$ 20.00	\$ 5.00	
6	United States	1893 1 cent Columbian, MNH	230	\$ 32.50	\$ 10.00	
7	United States	1893 10 cent Columbian, Mint HR	237	\$ 90.00	\$ 25.00	
8	United States	1893 15 cent Columbian, Used	238	\$ 72.50	\$ 15.00	
9	United States	1893 30 cent Columbian, Used, rounded UR Corner	239	\$ 90.00	\$ 20.00	
10	United States	1913 5 cent Golden Gate. Mint LH	399	\$ 70.00	\$ 20.00	
11	United States	1926 8 cent Grant, MNH	589	\$ 57.50	\$ 15.00	
12	United States	1933 Century of Progress S/S Mint NGAI	730-1	\$ 40.00	\$ 15.00	
13	United States	1935 National Parks Imperf Set, Mint NGAI	756-65	\$ 15.50	\$ 5.00	
14	United States	1935 3 cent Mt Rainier, Imperf pair, Mint NGAI	770	\$ 10.50	\$ 3.00	
15	United States	1935 16 cent Airmail/Spec Delivery block of 4, Mint NGAI	771	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.00	
16	United States	1968 \$1 O'Neill pair & single, MNH, shiny gum	1305C	\$ 12.75	\$ 4.00	
17	United States	1976 State Flags Set of singles MNH	1633-82	\$ 17.50	\$ 6.50	
18	United States	1994 Civil War S/S of 20, MNH	2975	\$ 32.50	\$ 8.00	
19	United States	1997 Humphrey Bogart Pane of 20, MNH	3152	\$ 17.50	\$ 6.50	
20	United States	1996 Classic Movie Monsters, Pane of 20, MNH	3172	\$ 15.00	\$ 6.50	
21	United States	1997 Calder Pane of 20, MNH	3202a	\$14.00	\$ 6.50	
22	United States	1999 American Glass, Pane of 15 MNH	3328a	\$ 28.50	\$ 7.00	
23	United States	1918 16 cent Airmail, Mint LH	C2	\$ 60.00	\$ 20.00	
24	United States	1879 10 cent Postage Due, Used, Faults	J19	\$ 35.00	\$ 4.00	
25	United States	1919 18c overprint on 9 cent Mint LH	K9	\$ 60.00	\$ 12.00	
26	United States	1970 & 1976 Fed Duck Stamps, Used	RW40,43	\$ 11.00	\$ 3.00	
27	United States	1966-81 Coil Line Pairs, MNH		\$ 18.00	\$ 5.00	
28	United States	1987-93 20 Diff Coil pairs and strips, MNH		\$ 26.00	\$ 8.00	
29	United States	1965-71 Commems MNH - Face \$9			\$ 9.00	
30	United States	7 - 1900's-1940 Oregon Covers			\$ 5.00	
31	United States	1987 We the People FDC + Constitution Silver Dollar			\$ 15.00	
32	United Nations	2007 NY, Geneva, Vienna, End Spec. Collections			\$ 45.00	
33	Abu Dhabi	1970 Sheik and Stallion partial Set, Mint LH	56-63	\$ 27.75	\$ 8.00	
34	Belgium	1941 Orval S/S, MNH		\$ 22.50	\$ 7.00	
35	Cyrenaica	1930's partial Sets, Mint HR	43-48	\$ 28.50	\$ 8.00	
36	Great Britain	1997 Prestige Booklet, The definitive portrait	BK162	\$ 16.00	\$ 5.00	
37	Great Britain	1998 Prestige Booklet, The definitive portrait	Bk163	\$ 17.50	\$ 5.00	
38	Slovenia	1991-2, 17 Different Issues, MNH		\$ 27.80	\$ 6.00	
39	Sweden	Mini Collection MNH, 6 sets		\$ 37.35	\$ 8.00	
40	Zaire	1978 25th Anniversary of QEII Coronation	891	\$ 12.00	\$ 3.00	
41	1960 Olympics	2 - Covers from Czech Republic			\$ 3.00	
42	Great Britain	Sev 100 used - some decent 19th century issues			\$ 40.00	
43	Great Britain	1991-98 MNH Collection, Machins and Commems		\$ 95.00	\$ 25.00	
44	Grenada	About 150+ stamps & S/S most MNH		\$75.00+	\$ 15.00	
45	South Australia	Small Used collection of 36, some faulty		\$ 123.00	\$ 20.00	
46	Hong Kong	About 80 stamps, includes a MNH 151-3 Set		\$175.00+	\$ 25.00	
47	Ifni	45 mint & Used		\$ 18.00	\$ 3.00	
48	India	500 mostly used stamps - pre 1975			\$ 15.00	
49	Germany-GDR	500-600 mostly CTO pre 1975			\$ 10.00	
50	Guatemala	175 mint and used, a few MNH, some faults, pre 1975		\$ 100.00	\$ 15.00	
51	Haiti	About 250 mostly used stamps, pre 1975, a few MNH			\$ 10.00	
52	Hungary	About 500-600 mint and used, a few S/S all pre 1975			\$ 15.00	
53	Pakistan	250-300 Stamps, pre 1975, mint & used, some MNH			\$ 10.00	
54	Z countries	Misc Countries, Mint & Used		\$ 25.80	\$ 4.00	
55	Anti Malaria	Set missing only Madagascar, All MNH except for Congo		\$ 23.00	\$ 6.00	
56	Scott Mounts	Envelope of 8 sealed packs of pre-cut small size mounts			\$ 12.00	Dark Background
57	Scott Mounts	2 packs of 41-215's, 1 pack of 48-215 unopened			\$ 7.00	Dark Background
58	Scott Mounts	5 packs of size 20-25 mounts opened			\$ 7.00	Dark Background
59	Scott Mounts	7 packs of size 100-127 size mounts opened			\$ 10.00	Dark Background
60	Scott Mounts	6 packs of size 130-147 size mounts opened			\$ 10.00	Dark Background

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## **Events**

### **September 2022 Meeting**

**In-Person & Zoom Meeting**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 7pm**  
**(doors open at 6pm) in the Scottish**  
**Rite Center, Commercial St., South**  
**Salem. Program: “Mystery History”**  
**by Larry Crain; Bid Board**

### **October 2022 Meeting**

**In-Person & Zoom Meeting**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm**  
**(doors open at 6pm) in the Scottish**  
**Rite Center, Commercial St., South**  
**Salem. Program: Creating Exhibits &**  
**Exhibiting by George Struble**

## **Pacific NW Stamp Shows and Bourses 2022**

### **Local Events**

**SEAPEX , Tukwila Community Center, WA Sept. 9—11<sup>th</sup> 2022**

**SSS Fall STAMPEX , SRC Salem, Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

### **Repetitive Events:**

Oregon Stamp Society: Rose City Stamp Fair - 2nd  
Saturday of the month at OSS clubhouse  
4828 NE 33rd Ave., Portland 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Collectors Corner - 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at  
OSS clubhouse 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

### **2022 Major Shows:**

**Autumn STAMPEX International, London. UK Sept.28—Oct.1<sup>st</sup>**

**CHICAGOPEX, Westin Chicago NW, Nov. 18—20<sup>th</sup>.**

**FLOREX. Kissimmee, FL. Dec. 2—3<sup>rd</sup> 2022**