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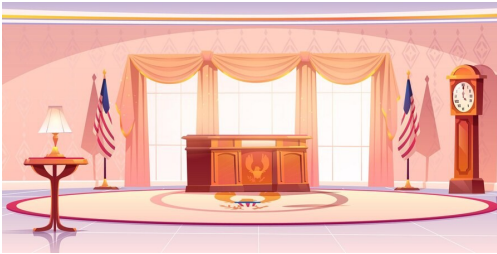


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From the President's Desk

Hello all,

The Club is hosting a special Barbeque to Celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States on June 17th 2026 at the Scottish Rite Center. Doors open at 5 pm, the meal will start at 6 pm and the meeting will begin at 7 pm. The cost per person is only **\$2.50**. Family members welcome. There will be a sign up sheet at April and May's club meetings or you may contact me by email.

The menu:

Barbeque Ribs

Hot dogs + vegan option

Potato Salad

Fruit Salad

Chips and Dip

Baked beans

Apple Pie

I want to congratulate ***George Struble*** and ***Gary Tiffin*** who were voted to be Honorary

Members for their many years of exemplary service to the Club.

PIPEX is coming soon, if you can volunteer some time to help sign up on the volunteer registration page of the PIPEX website where you can also Pre-Register. If you are planning to stay at the hotel get your booking in ASAP.

See you in April.

Lisa

March Club Meeting & Spring STAMPEX.

The meeting was well attended with close to 40 members in the room and 8 on Zoom (including the editor). There were some audio difficulties with Zoom but we were able to see and hear Marc Dochez' program on the printing problems of 3 cent 1851 stamp. This was a philatelic *tour de force* by Marc on this complex and difficult but fascinating issue. The cause of the Zoom problems has been identified and all should be well for the next meeting.

The March Bid Board items sold well with 40 of the 61 lots going for over \$400. With raffle ticket sales a total of \$468 was raised for club funds.

Show Director ***Gary Tiffin*** reports that the Spring STAMPEX was another success. He wants to thank all the members that attended and those that helped with the welcome desk and with set up & tear down.

Attendance on a fine Sunday was similar to last year and all the dealers were said to have been pleased for their part with the show.

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Club News & Meetings.

The main event of our next meeting on **April 15th** will be a program on “**Dumb Oval Cancels**” by **Bob Grosch**. Bob Reynolds has assembled another 60 interesting and varied lots for the April Bid Board. Details and selected images of the lots are included in this newsletter and can also be found on our web site.

New Member: We welcome **Steven King** to the club, he comes from the Lake Oswego area and his collecting interests are described as Worldwide and US stamps, postcards (especially pre-1915) and postal history (especially Oregon).

This brings our current active membership to **80**.

May 20th Meeting.

Members' Auction-submit your lots plus descriptions and reserve prices to Bob at the April meeting. Useful face value stamps will also be on offer to members at significantly reduced prices. Save on your postage costs!

*****June 17th Meeting.*****

Mark your diaries and be sure to attend this special meeting! As Lisa writes on Page 1 we are helping to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the United States with a special barbeque before the start of our regular meeting. The cost of this feast is only a nominal and symbolic **\$2.50 / head**.

Family members and friends are welcome as well. Sign up at the next two meetings or call Lisa by the end of May if you are attending.

As well as the Barbeque we will have a **special Club Auction** which will include a number of exceptional and outstanding lots from the late **Lucien Klein's** collections . Collectors of US and British Commonwealth stamps should not miss this auction.

Dues! Treasurer Alan Maul reminds you that you need to be a fully paid up member in order to place bids in club auctions and bid boards. As of now only about 70% of the membership has paid this years dues. Please see Alan at the next meeting or send a check to the address on Page 1.

Editors note

Many thanks to Steve Staton for looking after the newsletter and preparing the March edition while I was away on vacation in February

Interesting at the Edges.

By Bob Grosch

Most of us have passed through the beginning collector's goal of filling every space in an album that someone else designed. Later we migrated to deciding for ourselves what and how we will collect. In this process of maturing we often discover an interest along the edges of simple stamp collecting and develop an interest in color, perforation or plate varieties. Some explore the connection between stamps and political events. Some may focus on designers, printing methods or postal history regulations. Others focus on Air Mail, Certified Mail, Crash Mail or Special Delivery. Specialized exhibits on all these topics fill a great many frames at every stamp show.

Yet to be discovered in our never ending quest to develop a collection of truly unique philatelic items is the humble watermark. Watermarks are often thought of as merely evidence of the true Scott number of the stamp we hold in our hands. The watermark can often make a difference of several thousand dollars in a stamp's commercial value. If the watermark can have such a financial consequence, why is it never the focus of an exhibit at any stamp show I've ever visited?

A Challenge and a Prize.

Watermarks can illustrate the identity, ruler, culture, politics or produce of the country of origin, yet watermarks go relatively unnoticed by many philatelists. This is terribly unfair to the humble watermark! And so, I present a challenge. The first person to correctly identify the country of origin for the watermarks below will be awarded a prize of 150 or more different foreign stamps from my valuable excess duplicates shoe box. They may also claim bragging rights over their Salem Stamp Society members. I hope you find this interesting. Send your answers to: bobgrosch@frontiernet.net The first email with the largest number of correct answers wins.



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY—FINAL REQUEST

Pete McCallum is in the final stages of preparation of the 2026-28

Membership Directory. He has received replies from ~60% of the membership.

If you have not already done so, please complete the form below & send to Pete. Thanks!

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2026-2028 Membership Directory Information Sheet

We would like to include you in the 2026-2028 Salem Stamp Society Membership Directory. Please fill out this form and include only information you wish to have published in the directory. Do not refer to previous directories, supplements, or questionnaires. All information collected is for member use only and is not to be given out to nonmembers.

Your dues must be current for your information to be included in the directory.

Please complete this form as soon as possible and mail to Pete McCallum, 370 Ironwood Terrace, Woodburn, OR 97071, scan and email to pimac@web-ster.com, or bring to a monthly meeting. It must be received by April 15, 2026.

Please include my information in the directory as noted below

Include my name only in the directory as noted below

I do not wish to be included in the directory

PLEASE PRINT

Name (required): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: Business _____

Home _____

Cell _____

Email: _____

Collecting interests (please limit to 6 areas):

Other stamp memberships:

**SALEM STAMP SOCIETY
APRIL 2026 BID BOARD**

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LOT #	COUNTRY	DESCRIPTION	SCOTT #	CAT		NOTES
				VALUE	MIN BID	
1	United States	1859 10 cent Washington, Used	35	\$55.00	\$12.00	
2	United States	1861 1 cent Franklin, Used	63	\$45.00	\$10.00	
3	United States	1861 10 cent Washington, Used	68	\$55.00	\$12.00	
4	United States	1870 6 cent Lincoln, Used	148	\$22.50	\$6.00	
5	United States	1890 10 cent and 15 cent values, used, Faults	226-7	\$30.00	\$4.00	
6	United States	1895 2 sent Washington Type III, MNH	267	\$16.00	\$5.00	Plate # Copy
7	United States	1908 2 cent Washington, Imperf, MNH	344	\$9.00	\$3.00	
8	United States	1910 2 cent Washington, Imperf Pair, MNH	384	\$18.00	\$5.00	
9	United States	1912 2 cent Washington, MNH	406	\$15.00	\$4.00	
10	United States	1914 7 cent Washington, Used	407	\$14.00	\$3.00	
11	United States	1915 50 cent Franklin, Used	440	\$20.00	\$5.00	
12	United States	1917 3 cent Washington, MNH	501	\$20.00	\$7.00	
13	United States	1917 6 cent washington, MNH, Slight Oxidation	506	\$25.00	\$4.00	
14	United States	1917 7 cent Washington, Mint HR	507	\$24.00	\$6.00	
15	United States	1917 8 cent Franklin, Mint HR	508	\$11.00	\$3.00	
16	United States	1917 15 cent Franklin, Mint LH	514	\$32.50	\$8.00	
17	United States	1917 30 cent Franklin, Mint HR	516	\$30.00	\$8.00	
18	United States	1918 3 cent Washington, Type IV, Mint LH	535	\$10.00	\$3.00	
19	United States	1919 2 cent Washington Type III, Mint LH	540	\$12.00	\$3.00	Plate # Copy
20	United States	1920 1 cent Washington, Mint LH	542	\$12.50	\$4.00	
21	United States	1923-34 Rotary Press set, Mint LH	632-42	\$17.90	\$5.00	No 634A
22	United States	1929 3 cent Kansas Overprint, Mint LH	661	\$17.50	\$5.00	
23	United States	1929 7 cent Kansas Overprint, Mint LH	665	\$25.00	\$6.00	
24	United States	1929 4 cent Nebraska Overprint, Mint LH	673	\$15.00	\$3.00	
25	United States	1929 8 cent Nebraska Overprint, Mint LH	677	\$30.00	\$6.00	
26	United States	1934 3 cent Mt Rainier Hz Gutter Pair, No gum as issued	770a	\$12.00	\$4.00	
27	United States	1932 6 cent Garfield Coil, MNH	723	\$15.00	\$5.00	
28	United States	1938 \$2 Warren Harding, MNH	833	\$17.50	\$6.00	
29	United States	1973 \$1 Eugene O'Neill Coil Line Pair, MNH	1305c	\$15.00	\$5.00	
30	United States	1888 10 cent Special Delivery, Used	E2	\$45.00	\$12.00	Nice Stamp!
31	United States	1947 Federal Duck Stamp, Used	RW14	\$15.00	\$4.00	
32	United States	1930's-40's misc Airmail Collection, MNH		\$33.95	\$8.00	
33	United States	1930's Misc Farley's Collection, Unused		\$12.50	\$3.00	
34	United States	1930's Collection, Mint LH - 42 Different		\$45.00	\$10.00	
35	Confederate States	1863 10 cent Jefferson Davis, Unused Toned Gum	12	\$22.00	\$5.00	
36	Austria-Turk Empire	(7) 1908 Postage Dues-some shade varieties, Used		\$42.80	\$8.00	
37	Canada	1872 6 cent Victoria, Used	39	\$27.50	\$8.00	
38	Canada	1935 25th Anniversary of King George Coronation Set, Mint HR	211-16	\$23.85	\$6.00	
39	Canada	1935 5 cent King George, MNH	214	\$8.50	\$3.00	
40	Cyprus	1880 1p Victoria Unused	2	\$32.50	\$8.00	Plate# 218
41	Great Britain	1887 Victoria Set (3) different issues, Used	112,113,115	\$25.25	\$5.00	
42	Great Britain	1934 Britannia 10 Shilling, Used, one short perf	224	\$65.00	\$15.00	
43	Ireland	1922-3 Overprints, Short set Values up to 6p, MNH	44-51	\$58.00	\$12.00	
44	Ireland	1922-3 6 Diff values, MNH	65//73	\$58.75	\$12.00	
45	Ireland	3 Different Hi Value, Mint LH	158,166,168	\$46.00	\$10.00	
46	Ireland	5 Different 1930's-1950's Used		\$51.75	\$12.00	
47	Switzerland	1987 50 cent Postman, Booklet	786a	\$20.00	\$5.00	
48	Tanna Tuva	8 Different 1936 Issues, Used/CTO		\$15.10	\$3.00	
49	Australia	1984-8 Issues all MNH		\$105.00	\$20.00	
50	Australia	1988 Issues all full sets, MNH		\$48.70	\$10.00	
51	Barbados	1970's scenes set, MNH	328-343	\$16.10	\$5.00	
52	Guernsey	1970's-80's 25 sets + few extra,		\$50.00	\$12.00	
53	Ireland	1988-89 Scott# 712-3 Sheet, Scott#759 Sheet, MNH	712-3, 759	\$31.50	\$5.00	
54	Ireland	6 MNH Blocks of 4 from the 1960's-1970's		\$62.40	\$10.00	
55	Jersey	Misc 1970's-1980's Issues		\$23.00	\$5.00	
56	Norway	1940's-1960's MNH Mini Collection - 26 Stamps		\$28.90	\$5.00	
57	Switzerland	1983-86 Collection, MNH		\$103.00	\$20.00	
58	Supplies	3 ring Scott National Binder like new!			\$5.00	
59	Supplies	(5) packs of Showgard Mounts sizes 20-25 a couple unopened			\$10.00	
60	Supplies	(5) packs of Showgard Mounts sizes 68-111			\$8.00	

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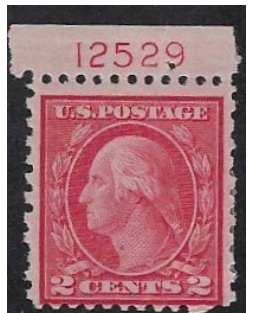
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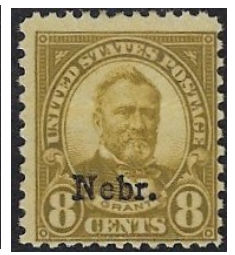
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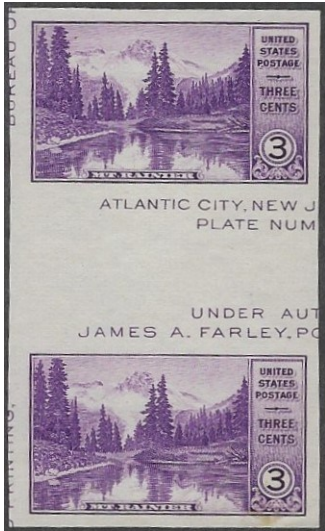
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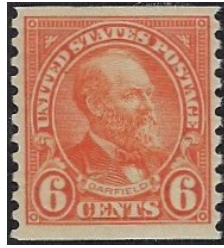
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Meetings

**All meetings held at the Scottish Rite
Masonic Temple,
4090 Commercial St. SE, Salem, OR.**

Wednesday 15th April 2026

**Program: “Dumb Oval Cancels” by Bob
Grosch; Bid Board. Starts 7pm**

Wednesday May 20th 2026.

**Members’ Auction & Club sales of Face Value
stamps at discounted prices.**

Wednesday June 17th 2026.

**Celebrate 250 years of the USA! Barbeque
starting 5pm then Special Club Auction start-
ing 7pm.**

Pacific NW Stamp Shows and Bourses 2026

Local Events

June 5-6, SOPEX, Medford OR

July 18-19 Evergreen Club Summer Show, Kent, WA

Repetitive Events:

**Oregon Stamp Society: Rose City Stamp Fair -
2nd Saturday of the month at OSS clubhouse
4828 NE 33rd Ave., Portland 9:00am-3:00 pm
Collectors Corner - 4th Saturday of the month
at OSS clubhouse 9:00 am.- 3:00 pm**

2025-2026 Major Shows:

WESTPEX 2026. April 24-26, SFO Marriott Waterfront Hotel

PIPEX 2026, May 1-3 2026, Monarch Hotel, Clackamas, OR

**BOSTON 2026 World Expo, May 28-30 2026 at the Boston
Convention Center**