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## N.S.S.S.



## POST BOY

January 12, 2008

Happy New Year to all and I hope you had a very, very Merry Christmas. May we find many new collectors in 2008 and may we find all the stamps we're seeking for a dime.

I wasn't able to make it to the Christmas Party but I hear it was a great bash again. All had fun exchanging presents, then stealing them from each other. **Dick Dreiling's** turkey was a hit, as it is every year. But its not the turkey or the presents that make the party fun. It is the camaraderie and good fellow-ship that make it worth coming to. **Kay Williams** puts this party together every year (with the help of others). Thank you, Kay and thank you to all who helped Kay.

This is the first meeting of the new year, held on the date of this publication (as are all first meetings of the month). In this last year we welcomed many new members to our ranks and several participated in their first Auction Bucks Auctions. I hope they enjoyed as much as I always have. Its time to start replenishing your supply of auction bucks for next November. You can do this by participating in the club's activities. You can get your first 100 by turning in the answers to this month's quiz. You can help with the NSSS Stamp Show in July or the Table at the Nevada State Fair in August. Or just by attending the meetings every month on the second and fourth Saturdays. Write an article for the Post Boy (I

could use the help) or bring some stamps to sell on the string at every meeting. There are lots of ways to earn Bucks and help the club at the same time.

In this coming meeting I will bring three collections to sell aside from the auctions. The club will get 10% of the price. All three are from before 1950 and will be sold for \$74 to \$100. Two are in old Scott World Wide albums (1929 & 1933) and the other is Venezuela on album pages. If you have something special to sell, you may advertise it here too. The cost to you will be the same 10% for the club you pay if you sell on one of the strings.

**40th Annual Coin, Stamp & Collectables Show.** Feb 1st, 10am - 6pm to 3rd 10am - 4pm. Santa Clara Cnty Fairgrounds Pavillion Hall, 344 Tully Road San José, California. \$3 adm.

**NOVAPEX 2008** March 1st, 10am - 5pm to March 2nd, 10am - 4pm. Senior Citizens Hall 2290 Benton Drive Redding, California

The **Filatellic Fiesta** will be held on March 7th-9th, 2008 in honor of the San Jose Fire Department. 10am to 6pm, Sun 10 to 4. Gateway Hall Santa Clara County, Fair Grounds. <http://www.filatellicfiesta.org/>

**FRESPEX 2008** March 15th 10am - 6pm March 16th 10am - 4pm Veterans Memorial Building, 435 Hughes Avenue in Clovis, California

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## Papua New Guinee

Margaret Meade made her reputation as a cultural anthropologist in Papua New Guinea. I learned about her when I studied anthropology in college at Monterey, Ca. Her studies, in many ways defined the expressive sexual moores of the 60's and seventies by showing the more relaxed attitude of the Papuans, even though she was, herself, a devout Christian. While the stamps pictured here do not show this "easy" attitude, they may challenge some of our own pre-concepts of the male image.

The native Papuan comes from a culture that developed in isolation. These are a rugged people that survived in the jungles of New Guinea for centuries before they were discovered by the exploring Europeans. They can be vicious enemies or wonderful friends and sometimes they might have you for lunch. Some tribes were known to be cannibals.

The stamps are Scott #s 447 to 57 and they picture the headdress of various tribes. The one at the right is the low value and shows a dancer from the East Sepik Province. Most of these stamps are of men dressed in flowers, feathers and daintily beautified with make-up.



Scott #447



Scott #448

Scott #449







The set's not complete and is missing the 1t (low value, 446) and the 25t (451), and there are some women wearing these headdresses but I don't know which. Many of the men appear to us to be a little effeminate but don't let that fool you. It just cultural differences. I wouldn't want any of these people as an enemy. They'd probably rip my arms off one at a time and have me for lunch!

<http://www.manyenemies-muchhonor.info/>

# Many Enemies–Much Honor

## Anti–US Propaganda on stamps, postcards, envelopes, and labels

As many of you know, I collect Nazi Germany and Vietnam (mostly North), in other words, the enemy. I found a website that is right up my alley. Besides, it has a neat name. This is a philatelic site that encompasses stamps, propaganda postcards, covers and labels (AKA cinderellas). Eighteen countries are represented here by the flags they used while they were our enemy, some of the flags are still in use and



Nazi Germany - WWII

some are still our enemy.

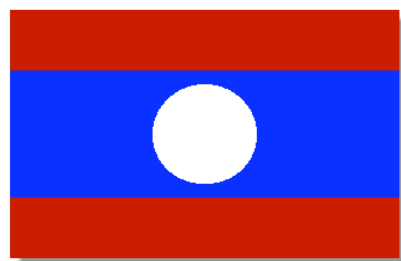
Most of these countries, as we are all painfully aware, at one time stood against us in war. Nazi Germany was one that we now count as friend but during WWII much propaganda was aimed at us and our allies. Italy is also included in this list as well as North Vietnam, Japan, Iraq and North Korea. Germany, in the first World War, is also mentioned. And all you need do is click on the flag and up pop stamps, labels and postcards with messages attacking the American way of life. Even Mickey Mouse is portrayed on two of the postcards.

You may expect to see most of the countries, some from the cold war such as the USSR and East Germany and some are a little less expected like Libya. Some may be totally unexpected though. Laos? I certainly don't remember being at odds with them. Or the EU (European Union?). Must be labels from a small group of disgruntled socialists.

While some of the pages present stamps, etc. without explanation and you are left to your own imagination, other pages have information that make you wonder how the author of the site could find it. The German WWI card show a group of American captured by the Germans. Most of the Americans are identified as are the battle and the German participants. It defines the first battle that the Americans were involved in during the war.

Another interesting page is called "US POW statistics". Here are statistics from the wars we participated in during the 20th century. There are a few other stats from wars back to the Revolution as well.

This is indeed an interesting site to visit but I would like to see more information about the stamps, cards and covers. Still, it is a good site with a lot of stamps and covers I've never seen before.



Laos

Recently I have been going over some first day covers and noticed that Bill Olcheski has a quiz on just that subject. Why not sit back for a few minutes and try your knowledge on the ubiquitous FDC. Its a tough one.

1. What is the design called that is found on the left hand side of a first day cover?  
A) **The Cachet**                      B) The Design                      C) The Prestige
2. In what year did the US first identify first day covers with a distinctive cancellation?  
A) 1922                                  B) **1937**                                  C) 1945
3. What is the name given to covers using multiple stamps of different design, not se-  
tenants?  
A) **Combination covers**          B) Multi-covers                      C) Maxi-covers
4. What is the name of the collector group specializing in first day covers of the US?  
A) US FDC Society                  B) APS                                  C) **American First Day Cover Society**
5. Who created the first modern first day cover by printing a cachet consisting of three  
lines of type on the Harding Memorial issue?  
A) Gorgeous George                  B) George C. Scott                  C) **George W. Linn**
6. How can first day covers be identified when they have no distinctive cancellation?  
A) **The date**                              B) Its announced in Scott          C) The stamp
7. What US stamp was the first to receive the "First Day of Issue" cancellation?  
A) 2c Definitive of 1922 (554)      B) **Ordinance of 1787 (795)**      C) Florida (927)
8. Can a collector send payment to the postmaster in the city of issue or must he affix  
the stamp him/herself to get a first day cancellation?  
A) Payment                              B) Affix                                  C) Both
9. When a first day cover is damaged in the mail, what recourse do you have?  
A) **Return it for replacement**      B) Money back guarantee      C) Curse the PO
10. What is the rule if a stamp of a denomination less than the first class rate is  
submitted for first day cancellation?  
A) "Hand back" cancel is OK      B) **Add stamps for rate**          C) No rule

Bonus question. Papua is part of a larger country. Which one?

Remember, these questions were written before 1982 so some of the answers may be a little out of date. Like the ones about postal regulations!

Sorry you had to wait so long for these answers but it seems I messed up and put the answers to the December quiz in the December issue. Oh well, guess everyone got a hundred on that one! Here are the answers to "Where is?".

1. A. Anjouan is one of the Comoros islands. It is located off the African coast, just west of Madagascar along with Grand Comore and Moheli.
2. B. Lombardy-Venetia existed from 1815 when it was created after the defeat of Napoleon until it was annexed to Italy after a revolt against the Hapsburg empire in 1866. It is in the northernmost part of Italy.
3. B. Carinthia is an old state formed in the 7th century. It ultimately became a part of Austria and is the southernmost province of that state.
4. C. Cilicia was once a part of the Roman empire and is mentioned in Paul's Letters to the Galatians. Now it is a part of southern Turkey. It was occupied by the British in 1918.
5. B. Dalmatia is a long narrow strip of land by the Adriatic Sea along the western coast of Croatia. Parts of it became annexed to Italy by the Treaty of Versailles after WWI. It reverted to Croatia (Yugoslavia) after WWII. Zoleinna tells me it is one of the most beautiful coasts in the world!
6. A. The Cape of Good Hope lies just north of the southern tip of Africa. It became a British colony in 1814 and remained so until it was incorporated into the Union of South Africa in 1910.
7. B. During WWII, Germany occupied Czechoslovakia and incorporated what is now known as the Czech Republic as a Protectorate called Bohemia and Moravia.
8. A. Danzig, now known as Gdansk, became a part of Germany's Polish Corridor just before they invaded in WWII and claimed Poland as "lebensraum" or living space. It is now and was before, in Poland.
9. A. This one is a little trickier than the other questions. Parts of Rumania have each been, at one time, a part of Bulgaria, Greece and Turkey. Eastern Rumania, however, wound up being a part of Bulgaria.
10. A. Abyssinia is now known as Ethiopia.

Bonus question. On Page 8 (Winick Snippets) you find out that stamps can smooth your wrinkles.

An interesting quiz. Some of the answers could be arguable (Danzig was German, Gdansk was Polish) so if you answered the questions you will get credit.



Normally I show you interesting and stamp-related websites on page four of this publication, but today I thought I would give these to you in addition to the usual sites, but without the pictures and most of the commentaries. Not all of them are philatelic but they are interesting.

<http://www.aerodacious.com/> This is an educational site for the collector who might be interested in aerophilately. Its pretty dry but first flights are very well covered here. Unfortunately, dates are not well covered.

<http://philatelics.org/%7Eallan/shrop/index7.html> The Shropshire Philatelic Society, a site from a British stamp club. Dry, like English humor but full of information.

<http://philatelics.org/%7Eallan/shrop/catalogue/index.html> Here is a developing website by a knowledgeable collector. He wants help in the form of scans and information to build an online catalog of worldwide stamps. Perhaps you can make a contribution.

<http://www.mid-citiesstampclub.com/bradshaw/bradshaw.htm> This is a small part of a club site where you can learn a little about the revenue tax stamps from the Spanish American war of 1898.

<http://web2.airmail.net/wills/> Maybe you would like to exchange stamps (or LPs) with Kenneth Wills. Don't know where he's from but his area code is 817.

<http://reference.howstuffworks.com/> This is a non-philatelic site about how stuff works. I haven't explored it yet but it looks interesting.

<http://www.freestampcatalogue.com/index.htm> This one says "Free Stamp Catalog Online" but don't you believe it. Its not a catalog. Its just a site that wants to sell you their stamps. A rather dishonest approach, I think.

<http://www.stampboards.com/viewtopic.php?t=2410> How about a stamp chat. There are several around the internet and this is just one. The last posts were about some fake French Polar Bear covers from WWII.

<http://www.ramsdale.org/epcform.htm> This one comes from a genealogical research site that is looking for the Ramsdale family. It is an interesting sidelight about English Parish Church postcards.

[http://www.cfif.org/htdocs/legal\\_issues/legal\\_updates/jesters\\_courtroom/tales.html](http://www.cfif.org/htdocs/legal_issues/legal_updates/jesters_courtroom/tales.html) This one is about lawsuits, not stamps. Enjoy it. It begins with lawyers suing lawyers.

Vote for your favorite U.S. issue of 2007. The ballot is on the next page. All ballots will be sent on to Linn's. More 2007 issues are on page 10.

## COMMEMORATIVES



1. Ella Fitzgerald



2. Oklahoma Statehood



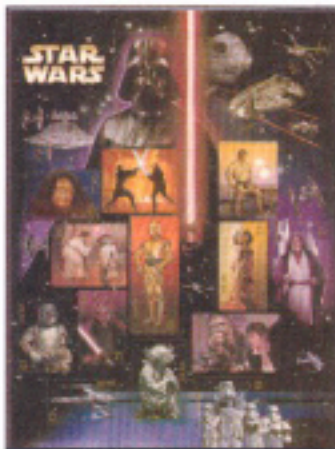
3. International Polar Year



4. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



5. Settlement of Jamestown



6. Star Wars



7. Pacific Lighthouses



8. Pollination



10. Vintage Mahogany Speedboats



11. Louis Comfort Tiffany



9. Marvel Comics



12. The Art of Disney: Magic



13. James Stewart



16. Jury Duty



15. Gerald Ford



14. Alpine Tundra



17. Mendez v. Westminster



18. Polar Lights



19. Yoda



Linn's has a poll every year to determine which stamp is the most popular, useful, worst, etc., according to its readers. This year they will give mention in Linn's to stamp clubs that whose members vote. Following is the poll and stamps (next two pages). Vote with the rest of the club, send/e-mail/bring in the ballots to me and earn a hundred auction bucks to start your year off right!

## Linn's 2007 U.S. Stamp Popularity Poll

Select from the following list of the 2007 commemorative stamps; 2007 definitives, airmail and special stamps; and 2007 postal stationery that have the best and worst designs in your opinion, as well as those you feel are the most important and least necessary in subject

VOTE BY THE NUMBER PRECEDING THE ISSUE NAME ONLY

### Commemorative Stamps

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Ella Fitzgerald            | 7. Pacific Lighthouses          | 14. Alpine Tundra         |
| 2. Oklahoma Statehood         | 8. Pollination                  | 15. Gerald Ford           |
| 3. International Polar year   | 9. Marvel Comics                | 16. Jury Duty             |
| 4. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow | 10. Vintage Mahogany Speedboats | 17. Mendez v. Westminster |
| 5 Settlement of Jamestown     | 11. Louis Comfort Tiffany       | 18. Polar Lights          |
| 6. Star Wars                  | 12. The Art of Disney: Magic    | 19. Yoda                  |
|                               | 13. James Stewart               |                           |

BEST DESIGN \_\_\_\_\_  
WORST DESIGN \_\_\_\_\_

MOST IMPORTANT \_\_\_\_\_  
LEAST IMPORTANT \_\_\_\_\_

### Definitive, Airmail and Special Stamps

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 20. Hershey's Kiss       | 26. Margare Chase Smith   | 32. Flower Blossoms |
| 21. Liberty Bell Forever | 27. Harriet Beecher Stowe | 33. American Flag   |
| 22. Florida Panther      | 28. Air Force One         | 34. Celebrate       |
| 23. Big Horn Sheep       | 29. Marine One            | 35. Christmas       |
| 24. Okefenokee Swamp     | 30. Silver Hearts         | 36. Christmas Knits |
| 25. Hagatna Bay Guam     | 31. Patriotic Banner      |                     |

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WORST DESIGN \_\_\_\_\_

MOST IMPORTANT \_\_\_\_\_  
LEAST IMPORTANT \_\_\_\_\_

### Postal Stationery

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|------------------------------------|--|
| 37. Air Force One Stamped Envelope | 41. Star Wars Picture Postal Cards           |
| 38. Marine One Stamped Envelope    | 42. Pacific Lighthouses Picture Postal Cards |
| 39. Horses Stamped Envelopes       | 43. Marvel Comics Picture Postal Cards       |
| 40. Pineapple Postal Card          | 44. The Art of Disney Picture Postal Cards   |

BEST DESIGN \_\_\_\_\_  
WORST DESIGN \_\_\_\_\_

MOST IMPORTANT \_\_\_\_\_  
LEAST IMPORTANT \_\_\_\_\_

Now vote for your single personal favorite stamp issue of 2007. Your choice can be from the commemorative, definitive-special or postal stationery categories. Se-tenant issues (different designs in one pane) are counted as one issue.

MY FAVORITE 2007 STAMP (Please write in number and issue name):

No \_\_\_\_\_ Issue \_\_\_\_\_

## DEFINITIVES



20. Hershey's Kisses



21. Liberty Bell Forever



22. Florida Panther



23. Big Horn Sheep



24. Okefenokee Swamp



25. Hagahna Bay Guam



26. Margaret Chase Smith



27. Harriet Beecher Stowe



28. Air Force One



29. Marine One



30. Silver Hearts



32. Flower Blossoms



31. Patriotic Banner



33. American Flag



34. Celebrate



35. Christmas



36. Christmas Knits

## POSTAL STATIONERY



37. Air Force One stamped envelope



38. Marine One stamped envelope



39. Horses stamped envelope



40. Pineapple postal card



41. Star Wars picture postal cards



42. Pacific Lighthouses picture postal cards



43. Marvel Comics picture postal cards



44. Art of Disney: Magic picture postal cards