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# Perforations



Last months topic – “The Smallest Stamp” turned out to be a savings/revenue stamp (smaller than a little finger nail) issued by Alberta, Canada, in the early 1930's.

The issue lasted about a year, before its use was stopped by, a ruling from the, Canadian Supreme Court.

***This month, a discussion on American Artist and Stamps, bring stamps for trading and the stamp quiz.***



The June topic will be a presentation on Christmas Seals by Bill Schultz.

**Treasurers' Report: Checking Account -- \$746.24; Savings Account -- 1,487.86; Total -- \$2,234.10**

**Back-Of-The-Book:** Over the years, the US Post Office has promoted stamps for savings and commerce.

The first program was created by the U.S. Postal Savings Certificate of Deposit Act of 1910. These stamps were in use from 1911 to 1966 by depositors who would complete a card/booklet of postal savings/war stamps and then receive a Treasury Certificate/US Savings Bond on redemption at the post office. The last series of these stamps bore the "Minuteman" design that first appeared during WWII. The series is divided into four groups: Postal Savings Stamps (1911-1961), Savings Stamps (1954-1961), War Savings Stamps (1917-1945) and a related Treasury Savings Stamp (1920).

The second, postal note stamps, only ran from 1945 to 1951 and was used to augment the Postal Money Order service for fund transfers of under \$1.00. The process required the purchase of one or two stamps, affixing them to a three-part US Postal Note Card. The card was then cancelled by the postal clerk, with one part going to the purchaser, one part staying at the issuing office and the third part (with the stamp(s)) going to the party payment was due. This person would then go to the local post office, present the card to the postal clerk who then pay him and keep the card for recording purposes. The cost of the service was that of the postal card rate (2¢) to send the card and Postal Note Stamps through the mail.



Complete Postal Note Stamp Set



Series 1925 War Savings



Series 1941 War and Postal Savings Stamps

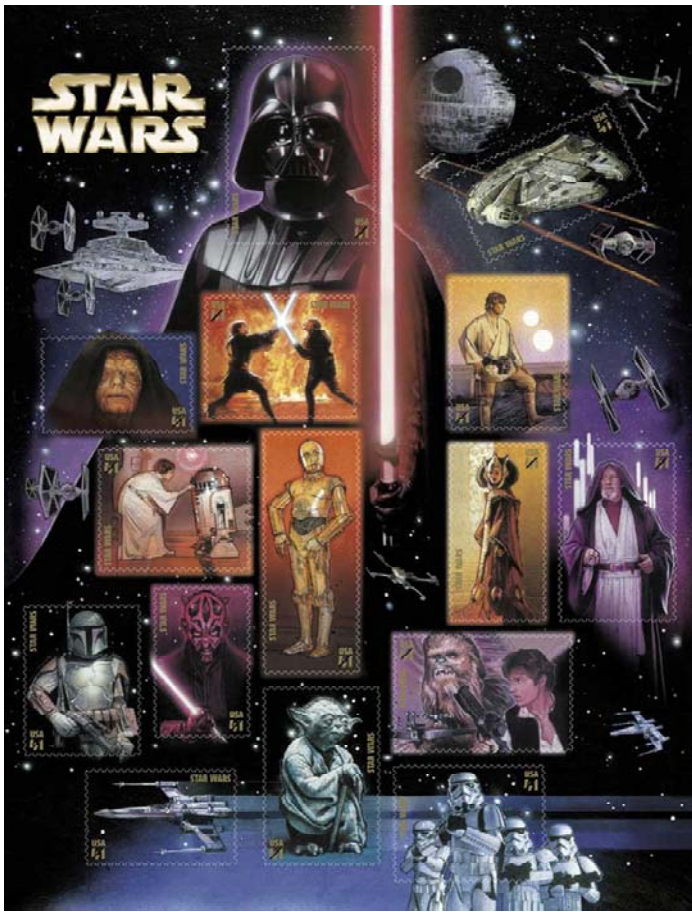
**Next meeting:**  
7PM on Tuesday 22 May 2007  
at the Warren-Newport Library  
224 North O'Plaine Road, Gurnee IL



**Officers:**  
Dr Tom Willer – President  
Bill Schultz – Vice President  
Howard Shaughnessy – Secretary  
Walter F. Veile - Treasurer



**New Issues:** As a result of the postal rate increase of 14 May, the number of 'new' stamps, for the month, is heavier than usual -- with 13 issues hitting the post office.



**Total cost: \$95.12**  
**For single items**  
 An expensive month overall.

- May 6th \$ 4.60 Air Force One Priority Mail Pre-paid Envelope  
 \$16.25 Marine One Express Mail Pre-paid Envelope  
 \$16.25 Star Wars Thirtieth Anniversary Stamped Express Mail Envelopes

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- May 11th 41¢ Jamestown 400th Anniversary (double-sided souvenir sheet)

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- May 12th 2¢ Navajo Necklace (vending packet of 30)  
 26¢ Florida Panther Postal Card Rate  
 26¢ Pineapple Postal Card  
 52¢ Pineapple Postal Reply Card  
 41¢ Horses Stamped Envelope  
 41¢ Official Mail Stamped Envelope

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- May 14th 17¢ Big Horn Sheep (PSA pane of 20)

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- May 21st 17¢ Big Horn Sheep (PSA coil of 100)

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- May 25th 41¢ Star Wars Thirtieth Anniversary (S/S w/ fifteen designs)  
 41¢ Star Wars Thirtieth Anniversary (stamped cards)



All stamp images from the USPS web site

The vote tally on the Star Wars stamps as of 13 May, has **Yoda** still number one; followed by **Darth Vader** in second place, and **Princess Leia & R2D2** coming in third. Voting ends on 25 May, with the winner getting their very own pane of 20 stamps. To vote, visit: <http://www.uspsjedimaster.com/main/splash.html> – **GO DARTH!**