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Perforations



Internet payment options was the educational topic of last months meeting. This completed the two part series on collecting stamps via the two big internet auction/mall sources (ebay.com and stampwants.com) by Bill S. and Dave S.

In summation, the internet is a very safe and convenient way to expand your collection.

This month we will look at who is collecting what, plan for the auction and start setting up the date and location of the holiday brunch in December – and as always feel free to bring in items for trade or sale.

Treasures' Report: Checking - \$986.24 Savings - 1515.44 — Total: 2501.68

Twenty-five years ago, marks the first year covered by Linn's the "U.S. Stamp Year Book" series. The first, released in 1984. The introduction states the purpose: ***"With this first U.S. Stamp Yearbook, Linn's begins what we hope will become an annual record of current U.S. postal issues."***

The output of the U.S. Postal Service has increased dramatically over the years. Growing numbers of regular, commemorative and special-purpose stamps are to be found in various perforation types and tagging varieties. Printing errors, both major and minor, still occur. Plate numbers and other selva inscriptions are becoming even more complex.

During 1983, for example, the USPS released 35 commemoratives, 11 new definitives(including the \$9.35 Express Mail stamp),12 airmail stamps, seven Official issues, three envelope designs, five postal cards and two aerogrammes. That's a total of 75 collectible postal items — or is it? ..."

In general the books are a compilation of USPS Stamp Announcements (with corrections), in depth information on the design and process of each stamp, plate numbers and lastly catalogs the changes in Scott numbers during the catalog year — it is now 2008, and the series is still 'chugging' along with the 2007 yearbook scheduled for release next month.

A copy of the 2006 yearbook will be available at the club auction. For more information on this series, see either AMOSADVANTAGE.COM (for these books - and everything else "Scott") or LINNS.COM urls.



Stamp Shows and Activities:

MSDA Show
October 4-5
Wingate Inn
600 Milwaukee Ave
Mt Prospect IL



Chicagopex 2008
November 14-16,
2008 Sheraton Hotel
Euclid & RTE 53
Arlington Heights IL



MSDA Holiday Show
December 13-14
Wingate Inn
600 Milwaukee Ave
Mt Prospect IL



**LCPS Annual
Holiday Brunch
December ?**

Next meeting:
7PM on Tuesday 26 August 2008
at the Warren-Newport Library
224 North O'Plaine Road, Gurnee IL



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