

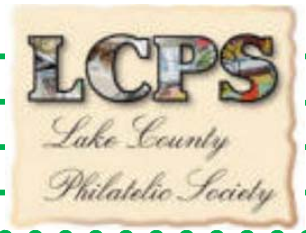
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Philatelic Society

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The February meeting featured Abraham Lincoln (aka Dr Tom Willer) describing the 1858 incident in Saxon IL where past relatives of Thomas Willer provided the lamp to the future president to help guide him safely back his lodging Kewanee IL.

Additionally Mr Lincoln talked about himself, family, his genealogy (including the disputed version), the Lincoln-Douglas debates and of course, that now famous day trip that lead to this presentation.

Richard also introduced a large display stand (with info) that he'd been working on the last few weeks.

This month Bill Schultz will present *"The American Philatelic Center and Its Bellefonte PA Neighborhood"*.



Treasures' Report: Checking – \$2,017.14 Savings – 1,526.25 — Total: 3,542.39

American Philatelic Society - The APS roots can be traced back to within five years of the issuance of the first postage stamp in the United States when a group collectors began exchanging information and thoughts on stamps. This small group expanded and by the 1880s there were an estimated 25,000 stamp collectors in the United States.

In 1886 several prominent stamp collectors began discussing the possibility of forming a national organization of philatelists. Thus by April of 1886 they had formed The Committee on National Organization (S.B. Bradt, O.S. Hellwig, and R.R. Shuman) and printed an announcement of the possible formation of a national organization which lead to some 400 collectors indicated their willingness to assist in founding such an organization.

The committee met in New York City on September 13, 1886, and adopted the name "American Philatelic Association" for the newly formed organization. The following day, John K. Tiffany, a prominent St. Louis attorney, and ardent philatelist, was elected president, a position he held for the next ten years.

One of the goals of the new organization was to publish a journal on stamp related issues. The first five issues of the APA's journal, The American Philatelist were published in Altoona, Pennsylvania, commencing on January 10, 1887, but a mail vote in June of that year resulted in the choice of The Western Philatelist as the society's official publication. Dissension caused by this action led the membership at the second annual convention, held in Chicago in August 1887, to vote to resume publication of The American Philatelist as the society's official journal.

The Association was incorporated in West Virginia November 2, 1891, and re-incorporated in Minnesota in 1897. In 1897 the name of the organization was changed briefly to American Philatelic Society, but then changed back to American Philatelic Association after only a few months. The name was finally changed in 1908 and remains as the American Philatelic Society.

Local Stamp Shows	MSDA Show Wingate Inn 600 Milwaukee Ave Prospect Heights IL April 4-5	MSDA Midwest Stamp Dealers Association	COMPEX 2009 District 214 Field House 2121 S Goebbert Rd Arlington Heights IL May 22-24	MSDA Show Wingate Inn 600 Milwaukee Ave Prospect Heights IL July 25-26	MSDA Midwest Stamp Dealers Association	MSDA Show Wingate Inn 600 Milwaukee Ave Prospect Heights IL October 3-4	MSDA Midwest Stamp Dealers Association	CHICAGOPEX 2009 Sheraton Northwest 3400 West Euclid Ave Arlington Heights IL November 20-22	

Next meeting:
7-PM on Tuesday 24 March 2009
at the Warren-Newport Library
224 North O'Plaine Road, Gurnee IL



Officers:
Dr Tom Willer – President
Bill Schultz – Vice President
Dave Sadler – Secretary
Walter F. Veile - Treasurer

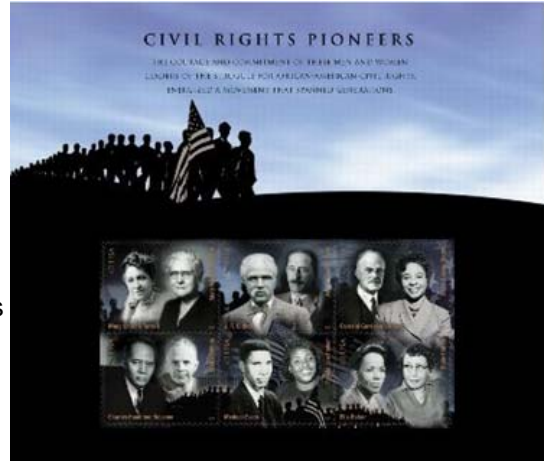


US 2009 Stamp Program. There will be no new issues in March and the USPS has indicated that this years stamp schedule may be reduced in the light of economic problems. Thus far there have been 13 issues (see below).

Date	Scott	Issue
03 Jan	4374	42¢ Alaska Statehood
08 Jan	4375	42¢ Lunar New Year: Ox
14 Jan	4376	42¢ Oregon Statehood
16 Jan	4377	42¢ Edgar Allan Poe
16 Jan	U666	\$4.95 Priority Mail Pre-Printed Envelope
16 Jan	4378	\$4.95 California Redwood Forest Priority Mail
16 Jan	4379	\$17.50 Old Faithful, Yellowstone Express Mail
09 Feb	4383a	42¢ Abraham Lincoln (four designs)
	4380	42¢ Rail-splitter
	4381	42¢ Lawyer
	4382	42¢ Politician
	4383	42¢ President
17 Feb	UX554	27¢ Miami University Postal Card
21 Feb	4384	42¢ Civil Rights Pioneers (six designs - pane)
	a.	42¢ Mary Church Terrell and Mary White Ovington
	b.	42¢ J. R. Clifford and Joel Elias Spingarn
	c.	42¢ Oswald Garrison Villard and Daisy Gatson Bates
	d.	42¢ Charles Hamilton Houston and Walter White
	e.	42¢ Medgar Evans and Fannie Lou Hamer
	f.	42¢ Ella Baker and Ruby Hurley
24 Feb	O163	1¢ Official
24 Feb	4385	(10¢) Patriotic Banner
24 Feb	4128c	(42¢) Forever (2009 date) (PSA ATM/18) or 4128b single



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On May 11, the postal rates will go to 44¢ for a first class letter. This will bring out the usual number of 'rate change' issues. Sample of what is in the collector's future include:



Zion Park



Seabiscuit Envelope



Polar Bear



Koi Postcard

Digital News. Linn's Stamp News has improved its digital/electronic version to where one can actually read the articles on the computer.

They shelved the Olive Tree rendering software and have gone to Mattercast.

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