



**Snow – was a major event of February 2011. Notice the two mail boxes after the snowplow went through ...**



Scott 2030a



Scott 292



Scott 3210, 2209h



Scott 716



Scott 1240



Scott 1146



Scott 4102



Scott 4103



Scott 4104



Scott 4101



Scott 3445



**Snow** has been a subject or a background for US stamps for over a century. The first being the \$1.00- "**Cattle in the Storm**" stamp is considered by most collectors to be the most beautiful stamp of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition Issue of 1898 while others just believe it the most intricate and beautiful stamp ever issued period. These cattle would have been just as home here on 2 February as they are on the stamp. The cattle were again depicted as they were planned in the two colors on sheets issued in 1998.

In general, snow has been a common item on many stamps centered on the winter Olympics and the Christmas holiday season. The next "snow" stamp appeared in 1932 depicting a Skier on the Lake Placid Winter Olympics followed by the first snowflake stamp issued for the 1960 winter games in Squaw Valley.

The first snowy Christmas stamp was in 1963, featuring the National Christmas tree with the White House in the background. The White House was again shown under a blanket of snow in Patricia Fisher's photograph that was used on the stamp commemorating the 200th anniversary of the building.

Additional snowflake designs were issued for the 2006 holiday season. These were interesting in that they were from photographs of the crystal structure of four types of flakes.

With snow, you also find snowmen - after all some use must be made of the stuff. One can only stay cooped up for so long. The snowman stamp first appeared on the 1982 Christmas issue as part of four stamp block that depicted three additional snowy scenes. Since then, snowmen have made at least two other issues comprising of eight additional designs.

**How many more US stamps have snow scenes and what on is your favorite** - (particularly after coming in after shoveling for a few hours to clear just the driveway and a path to the front door)?.



Scott C46



Three new stamps for February:  
February 10 (44c) Ronald Reagan  
February 11 (5c) Art Deco Bird  
February 14 44c Patriotic Quill and Inkwell  
and a reissue of the 2c Navajo Necklace

