## November 2014

Newsletter of the Lake County (IL)

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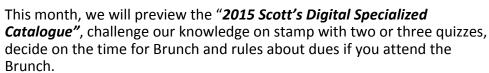
This year's CHICAGOPEX event will be Friday-Sunday, November 21-23 at the Westin Chicago Northwest, 400 Park Blvd, Itasca, IL 60143 (same place as the last four years). This is the largest 'local' stamp show in the area and one of the largest in the nation with many national stamp and supply dealers making an appearance.

Besides 'just the dealers', the *Polonus (Polish) Philatelic Society*, the *International Philippine Philatelic* Society, the US Possessions Philatelic Society, the Ukrainian Philatelic and Numismatic Society and the Canal Zone Study Group, will be holding their annual conventions at this year's stamp show.





Last month was "Bring Your Favorite Stamp" and share with the club why it is the favorite. What we saw and herd included the Trans-Mississippi set from 1898, a few interesting pieces of Postal Stationery, and topical stamps.





Brunch: 13 Dec @ xx:xx 1455 N Dilleys Rd



## Treasures' Report: Total – \$ 3,261.97

Local Stamp **Shows**  Chicagopex **Westin Chicago Northwest** 400 Park Boulevard Itasca II November 21-23

Frostypex St Aloysius' Gonzaga Hall 1435 S 92nd Street West Allis WI December 06 and 07

MSDA SUBURBAN SHOW **Lindner Conference Center** 610 E. Butterfield Road Lombard IL December 13 and 14

**MSDA Winter Show Comfort Inn and Suites** 600 Milwaukee Ave Prospect Heights IL<sub>MSDA</sub> January 10 and 11

**MSDA Spring Show Comfort Inn and Suites** 600 Milwaukee Ave **Prospect Heights IL** April 18 and 19

Next meeting:

7-PM on Tuesday, 25 November 2014 at the Grayslake Library 100 Library Lane - Grayslake, IL 60030



Officers:

Dr Tom Willer - President Bill Schultz - Vice President Dave Sadler - Secretary Ed Pieklo - Treasurer

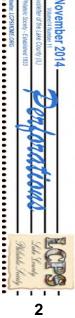


**Stamp Identification Tools:** Given the stamp to the left, can you identify which Scott Catalogue number belongs to the stamp? Your choices can be narrowed down to #5 (\$70,000 used), #5A (\$9,000 used), #6 (\$11,000 used), #6b (3,250 used), #7 (\$145 used), #8 (\$2,250 used), #8A (\$900 used), or #9 (\$95 used).

What tools are available if one need to determine if it is the \$70K stamp or the 'cheap' \$95 stamp?

Actually, there are many tools available and they have become even better with the advent of the computer and modern printing processes.

The Scott catalogue has always provided a means of identifying stamps. The earliest catalogue I have is the 1931 edition that my great-grandfather picked up for 35c, in the 1940's, from the Toppenish WA library book sale (the catalogue is  $\sim$ 2,000 - 4.25 x 6.50 inch pages that covered the entire world).



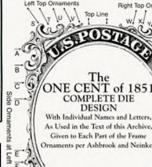




A6-Type la



A7-Type II





A8-Type III

A5-Type I

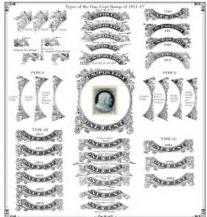


A20-Type V

"The One Cent 1851 Complete Die Design"

Page 4 from 1931 Scott Catalogue

After sorting through the information, one finds that there are five major types of the 1851 imperforate stamp and six major types of the 1857 perforated stamp. Since our stamp is an imperforate, we only need concern ourselves with types I - IV or Scott's stamp ID figures, A5-A9. With careful examination of the catalogue pictures and text explanations we find that this is a Scott #9 – the 'cheap' one. — Yes we can ID it via Scott information, but it is getting easier still ...





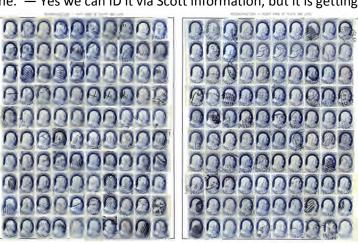


Plate Reconstruction of 1c 1851 Issue

The figures to the left are available off the internet fom the US Philatelic Classic Society website: http://www.uspcs.org. This site has taken considerable effort to digitize documents that make it easier to classify/identify stamps Issued from 1845-1893.