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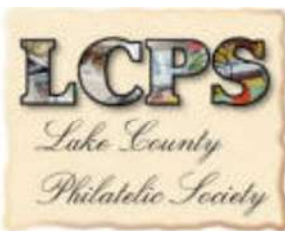
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Perforations



Last month we were introduced to what YouTube had to offer in Philatelic Videos by Jerry Dachs. There appears to be many offerings from the weekly video from Linn's to some very-off-the wall items produced by individuals with interesting topical collections. If you tire of stamps, you can also watch one of the more than 3 million cat videos available.

This month bring your favorite album and share with the group some items that tickle your interest.

Note: The next three meetings will be held at the Grayslake Library located at 100 Library Ln, Grayslake IL

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Treasures' Report: Total – \$3,403.41

Strange Stamp — While poking around on the internet, I came across an article called "**12 of the Most Unique and Rare Postage Stamps**" – by Grace Murano. [https://www.oddee.com/item_97027.aspx] An edited version is presented below.

In this article she pointed out some real unique stamps starting with her number 1; the 2004 Austrian 7.50€ **Crystal-Coated Stamp Sheet**. The stamp was made out of paper like any ordinary stamp and the crystals were stuck on with a specially created glue. Swarovski (an Austrian producer of *crystal* headquartered in Wattens, Austria) had found a way to make the crystal-coated stamp withstand rough treatment in automated postal sorting machines. The surface of real glass crystal showed the Swarovski swan trade mark.

Number 2 on her list was the 2008, Austrian Post Office **Soccer Ball Stamps** made of the same original material as the UEFA European Championship ball – a synthetic mix with polyurethane.

The US Postal Systems **Simpsons Stamps** were her **number 3** selection – for what reason I have no understanding.

Numbers 4 and 5, are scented/flavored stamps. The act of licking stamps is loved by some as it is disgusting for others. Even though nowadays there are sticker stamps, those old-fashioned lickable stamps will never die.

This set of stamps is called **Chocolate Mail (UK)**, which comes in 3 flavors – dark, milk and white chocolate. They are a set of 24 1st class stamps that are designed to look like a bar of chocolate, packaged as an envelope.

Along with the UK's chocolate, Brazil issued a postage stamp coated with varnish containing the microcapsules that were prepared from the matured coffee beans, after being roasted, ground and filtered under pressure. This process gives a strong coffee aroma to the stamp that lasts for up to five years.



Local Stamp Shows

Milcopex 2019
Crown Plaza, Milwaukee Airport
6401 S 13th St
Milwaukee WI
September 20, 21 and 22

MSDA Chicago North Show
Ramada Inn
1090 S Milwaukee Ave.
Wheeling IL
October 12 and 13

Tosapex 2018 - New Location:
St Francis Lions Community Center
3476 E Howard Ave
St Francis WI
October 19 and 20

Next meeting:
7-PM on Wednesday 25 September 2019
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

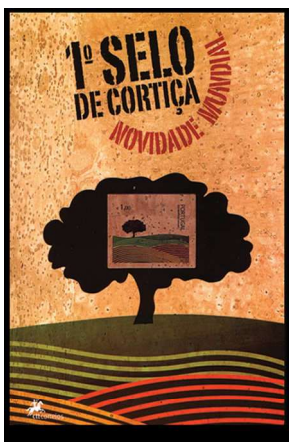


Chocolate and Coffee



Number 6 is a "moving" stamp, also from the Austria, a stamp that features a 3-second sport clip depicting various perspectives of the winning soccer goal that Andreas "Andi" Herzog scored past Sweden to grant Austria passage to the 1998 World Cup. This historical moment has been immortalized by the Austrian postal administration in honor of the upcoming Union of European Football Associations' 2008 series. By using advancements in existing technology, Austria Post has managed to put the moving image of this goal onto a postage stamp. The stamp is very large. It measures 6.5 cm wide by 4.7 cm tall. With its size, denomination, and the novelty of moving images, it is sure to stand out in a stamp collection.

A set of **Gibraltar Stamps** made it to **number 7**. Gibraltar put their land's famous landmark on their stamps both figuratively and literally in 2002. The Rock of Gibraltar, one of the most recognized natural landmarks in the world appeared on a 4-stamp set (3 shown). Limestone was bored out of the center of the rock, as accessed by the Rock's World War II tunnels. The limestone was first powdered and then sintered within the image of Gibraltar where there is rock showing.



Number 8 on the list are the **Cork Stamps** of Portugal. On Wednesday 26th December 2007, the world's first stamp made entirely from cork was issued in Portugal. Designed by the Portuguese engraver Joao Machado, it is made from wafer-thin "paper cork", a thickness of just 0.35mm, and is the first in a print run of 230,000. Every stamp is unique due to the cellular nature of cork.

Embossed Stamps are **number 9**. In 2005, Austria issued the first of a commemorative series of embossed stamps. It was created in Lustenau, the metropolis of the Vorarlberg embroidery industry. (The first of this type was issued by the Swiss in 2000).



The British Royal Mail service commissioned Studio Dempsey to create first class stamps with **Classic Albums Covers** came in at **number 10**. The covers include albums from Blur, New Order, Led Zeppelin, The Rolling Stones, Primal Scream, David Bowie, The Clash, Mike Oldfield, Pink Floyd, and Coldplay - but no Beatles. The final selection of ten sleeves (which perhaps oddly doesn't feature one of The Beatles' album covers) will appear on a set of 10 stamps that will be launched on January 7, 2010 – and the stamps will be uniquely shaped, as shown in these images, to accommodate a glimpse of a vinyl disc poking out of each record sleeve.



Number 11, The **\$825,000 Stamp** (then). A New York man paid a whopping US \$825,000 for one of the most prominently flawed stamps in U.S. history. The rare 1918 24-cent stamp shows an upside-down Curtiss JN-4 biplane known as Jenny, a World War I training aircraft that became an airmail plane. The man who bought this rare stamp slightly cheaper than the record price, which another 'Inverted Jenny' copy fetched at auction the month before, is a Wall Street executive who doesn't want to disclose his identity.



Number 12, opens a whole new aspect of ideas ... her entry was the **American Idol Post Stamps**. Since 2008, American Idol has got its own limited-edition collectable stamps. The Idol stamps feature the competition's winners, including Kelly Clarkson, Ruben Studdard, Fantasia, Carrie Underwood, Taylor Hicks, Jordin Sparks, and many others. Only 104,000, approximately 2000 sheets for each of state, are issued weekly.

A much rarer stamp was also issued that year:

