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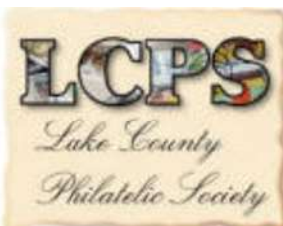
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Philatelic Society - Established 1933

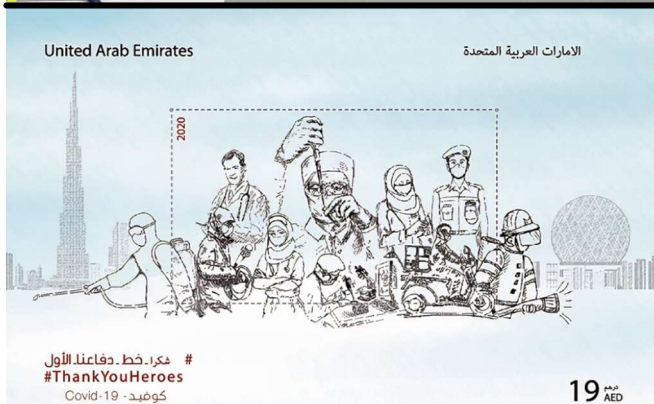
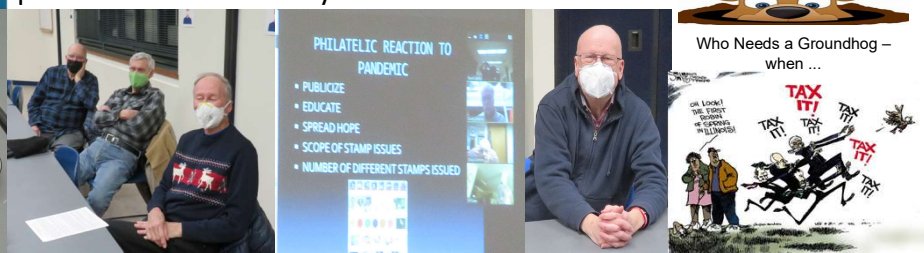
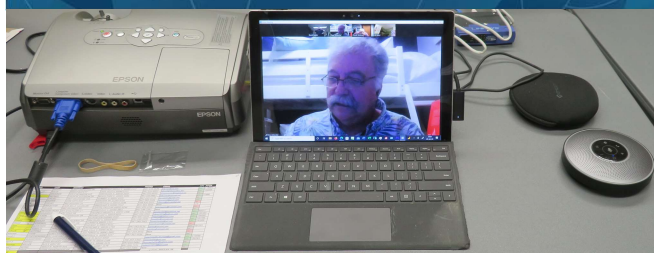
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Perforations



Elections: This January saw the same old group re-elected again for another year – a typical event in Illinois.

The **"COVID Stamps"** presentation by **Tom Wiler** was enlightening on how different societies and groups approached stamp themes to be issued concerning the pandemic. The majority, thus far, feature the front-line personnel who must cope with the treating the patient. The remainder are educational in approach using humor and raw information to make tier populations aware of the problems manifested by COVID.



This month, **"World War II Propaganda Stamps and Forgeries - Part II."** Ed Pieklo will continue the topic he started in November.

Those Were the Days – Stamp Collectors Supported by the Post Office

The **International Stamp Exhibition for 1926** was held at the Grand Central Palace during October, and to add to its interest the Post Office Department was persuaded to install not only a branch post office but to set up a flat plate printing press and **actually print some stamps**.

These **White Plains commemoratives** being due to appear during that month the Department decided to make special plates for this stamp and publicly print them during the show. These plates were made up of four 25 subject miniature panes. There were five plates made, No. 18170-18174. Plate No. 18772 was used for printing stamps at the show, but none of the stamps so printed 'were sold to the public, and at the close of the exhibition both plate and printed sheets were returned to Washington and the latter destroyed.

Panes from the other plates, printed at the Bureau, were sold. Although the anniversary of the Battle of White Plains was October 28th the Department, in view of the Stamp Show, issued these on October 18th, and they were placed on sale at the exhibition as well as at the White Plains Post Office.

If you have not paid this year's due (Those attending the December event are exempt), please sent \$5.00 to:

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S T A M P	February 19 & 20 Rockford 2-3-4 Forest Hills Lodge 1601 W Lane Rd Loves Park IL	S H O W S
	March 12 & 13 Stampfest 2022 Crowne Plaza - Sabre Room 6401 S 13th St Milwaukee WI	
Treasures' Report: Total: \$2,8890.01		



Next Meeting:
7-PM on Tuesday 22 February 2022
Grayslake Library and Via ZOOM
Any Changes will be posted on: lcpshome.org

Officers:
Dave Schenkel – President
Ron Bruner – Vice President
Dave Sadler – Secretary
Ed Pieklo – Treasurer

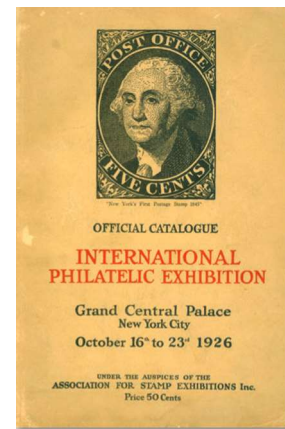


The Flat Plate Press

Note: The first time the USPD printed materials at an exhibition was in 1876 Centennial Celebration in Philadelphia – some stamped envelopes (U218-U221), but not for stamp collectors.



Scott 630
Battle of White Plains
Souvenir Sheet of 25



The Program



It is now 1933, Franklin D. Roosevelt is in office and as 1st Philatelist, he is in favor of backing more souvenir sheets to promote history, stamp collecting and the economy.



Scott 728

Scott 729



Scott 730



Scott 731

As the story goes: Early in January 1933 the Committee in charge of the **Century of Progress World's Fair**, to be held in Chicago during that summer, requested the Post Office Department to issue a series of stamps ranging in value from one to ten cents, inclusive. Postmaster General Brown suggested that this idea be taken up with the incoming administration, which would have ample time prior to the opening of the fair to consider the matter. The request was made to Postmaster General **James A. Farley** (a name to later go down in stamp collectors' infamy) immediately after the inauguration of President Roosevelt and official sanction was given for a series of three values, one, three and five-cents. However, due to the press of work at the Bureau turning out new paper money plates carrying the signature of the new Secretary of the Treasury (and to replace the gold notes that were being recalled), as well as Commissions for newly installed officials, and Government bonds, it was decided to omit the 5-cent stamp, and designs were prepared for only the two lower values. It was hoped to issue these stamps early in advance to properly advertise the fair well in advance of the opening

On 21 March the die proofs were approved, and announcement was made that the one-cent stamp would show a replica of **Fort Dearborn** with the old stockade, and the three-cent value a view of the **Administration Building**. This latter information was incorrect, as all of the three-cent Admin Building designs prepared but not used, and the stamp, as issued was of the **Federal Building**. On March 28th Postmaster General Farley authorized the preparation for a special canceling die to be used on all letters emanating from Chicago during the duration of the Fair. This die read **"Century of Progress, World's Fair, Chicago, June 1, November 1,"** in two lines, enclosed by a single line border. These were first used about the middle of April but as mentioned earlier, the workload at the Bureau made it impossible for the stamps to be ready by 01 May, and it was decided to issue them towards the end of that month. On 02 May the Department announced that the stamps would go on sale at the Chicago General Post Office on 25 May. At this time the Postmaster General also announced that in spite of the contemplated reduction of local letter rate to two cents, no **Century of Progress** stamp of this denomination would be issued.

In Chicago - We have got the two stamps, how about souvenir sheets like the one issued in 1926?

This resulted in: The attention of postmasters and employees of the Postal Service is now called on to a special printing of 1-cent and 3-cent postage stamps of the Century of progress design in sheets of 25 stamps each on the stamp press included in the Government Exhibit at the Chicago Century of Progress Exposition. The sheets will be issued ungummed and without perforations. In narrow margins on the four sides of the sheets in small Gothic lettering, corresponding to the color of the

denominations, is the following wording: **"Printed by the Treasury Department, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, under authority of James A. Farley, Postmaster General, at a Century of Progress, in compliment to the American Philatelic Society for its Convention and Exhibition, Chicago, Illinois, August 1933. ..."**

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2022 USPS Stamp Program

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