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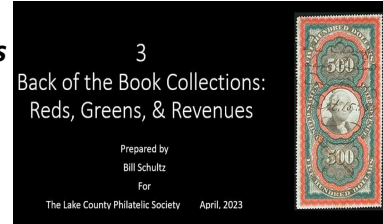
Philatelic Society - Established 1933

Website: LCPSHOME.ORG

Perforations



Our April meeting featured a presentation on three Back-of-Book issues by Bill Shultz — **"The Reds, Greens and Revenues"**. The **"reds"** being the 20th Century document issues (1940 – 1955), the **"greens"** of stock transfer (1940- 1952) and the original **"revenues"** of 1862 to pay taxes on proprietary documents.



This month, **"Estate Planning"** by Tom Willer talking about what we need to think about when we pass on our collections.



Meeting Schedule

***** 2pm ***** **Wednesday - 24 May**

May 23
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1) "Estate Planning" by Tom Willer

Join the meeting on ZOOM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87346925282>

Just prior to 2pm on the meeting date. This will connect device to view the presentation, and if you have speakers and microphone listen to and comment.

For Those who do not have a microphone or only wish to join just on audio, you can Dial In (fees may apply depending on your phone contract) +1 312 626 6799 (Chicago) and when asked to enter your meeting ID, enter: 892 3303 9093 #

***** 2pm ***** **Tuesday — 27 June**

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1) "Other Philatelic Clubs" by Tom Willer & Dave Schenkel

***** 2pm ***** **Wednesday - 26 July**

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1) SWAP Meet (Buy/Sell/Trade)

Local Stamp Show

July 8 - 9
MSDA Milwaukee Show
Waukesha Expo Center - Forum Bldg
1000 Northview Rd
Waukesha WI
Friday 10am -5pm Saturday 10am - 3pm

July 23
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Scott 1460



Scott 1461



Scott 1462

SURPRISING PHILATELIC FIND

By Tom Willer, April, 2023

As a collector, since I was in high school, I always ask my friends to save stamps for me. I am very lucky in that they indeed save United States (and sometimes foreign) stamps for me. Recently I sorted my latest largesse from them in early April, 2023. There were lots of recent 2022 Christmas stamps and many US flag stamps, but one older commemorative stamp caught my attention. I spotted the six-cent 1972 Olympic stamp, Scott Number 1460. It was part of a combined three-stamp set commemorating the 11th Winter Olympic Games, held in Sapporo, Japan and the Summer Olympic Games in Munich, Germany. I am always on the lookout for this stamp on behalf of my friend Ron S(chramm). He is missing the known error of a broken red Olympic ring in the upper left corner. Sadly, my newly found stamp disappointed me. There was no broken red ring in the corner. — Too bad for Ron.

Next Meeting:

**** 2-PM on Wednesday 24 May 2023 ****

Grayslake Library and Via ZOOM

Any Changes will be posted on: lcpshome.org



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However, all was not lost. I was ecstatic when I noticed another broken red ring in the center of the stamp. I eagerly referenced the Scott catalog again. Nope, this noticeable error was not described in the catalog. This was great news! I was getting very excited. Grand dreams of being a millionaire and retiring in exotic Tahiti floated across my eyes! Could it be? I emailed a digital copy to Chris B(renner) who concurred that he spotted the broken ring too. He said: "The Olympic stamp looks like an error, but I really don't know." I was encouraged. Seeking affirmation from our stamp society dean of philatelic knowledge, I emailed the 1972 stamp image to Chuck S(kittino). Two days later Chuck replied: "[The] Entire red printing is all shifted down (note the rider's backs are all in line except red). It is a FIDO (Freak or defective Item)." That nailed it! My dream of philatelic immortality seemed dashed on the rocks of fleeting dreams.

I was not familiar with the term FIDO. However, I was familiar with the term EFO (errors, freaks, and oddities). Searching for a concise definition, I sought out Linn's Stamp News. "The best working definition of a freak is a negative one. A freak is a stamp with irregularities that make it different from a normal stamp of the same issue but that do not qualify it as a major error. Stated another way, a freak is a stamp that is neither normal nor a major error." [See footnote for source]. I think this definition described my almost, valuable error very succinctly! The mystery is over. I did not have the find of the century, but I had a thrilling week solving this Olympic stamp's true identity!

"Errors versus errors, freaks and oddities," By Rick Miller, Dec 7, 2021:
 online: <https://www.linns.com/news/postal-updates-page/errors-versus-erros--freaks-and-oddities.html>.



Scott 1460 Normal – Red Ring merges with yellow leg



Scott 1460 FIDO – Red shifted down
 Note red – green helmet

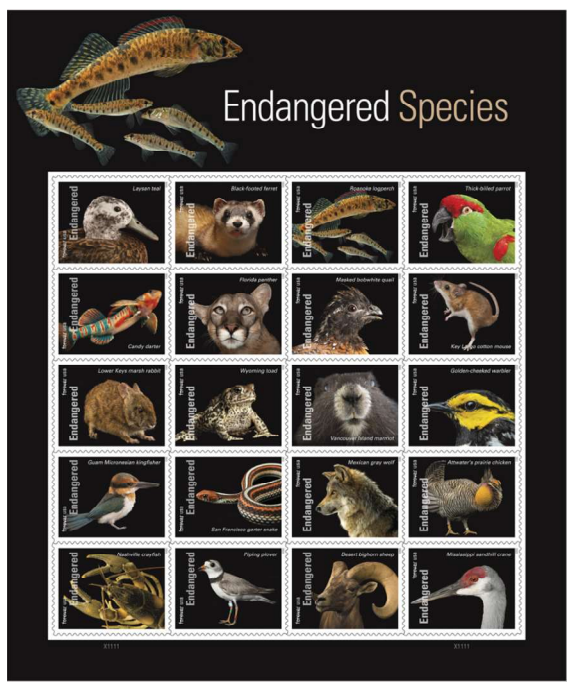
New Issues



05 May



12 May



19 May