

The Messenger



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In Person or by Zoom
New Location
Johnson County Library
22435 W 66th St.
Shawnee, KS 66226
SUNDAY, JUNE 6TH
Gather at 1:00pm
Meeting starts at 2:00pm
**Zoom link Info will
come to your email**

Our Secretary Reports What You Missed:

Members who Logged into our Zoom meeting: 17

Treasurer: No activity. Balance \$8321.00.

Secretary: American Air Mail Society is now conducting monthly virtual meetings. Universal Ship Cancellation Society is working on setting up virtual meetings. These are efforts to connect members from distant locations for regular interaction via the internet.

Librarian: Nothing new

Historian: No report

First Vice-President's Report: June and July meetings will be in-person at the Johnson County Library, Monticello Branch at Shawnee Mission Parkway and 435. The June meeting is on Sunday, June 6 from 1-5 pm. Barbara will bring drinks and she asks members to bring snack items for the meeting. The July meeting will be on Saturday, July 3 from 1-5 pm.

Second Vice-President's Report: Nothing to report

Newsletter: Please consider writing a short item or an article for the newsletter.

Exhibits: Some members have committed to doing exhibits for December. Please consider doing an exhibit this year. Whether the exhibits will be live or virtual has yet to be determined. If they are virtual there will need to be an early deadline (October 15 possibly) so they can be scanned and uploaded to the website

Announcements: There is a philatelic garage sale in Wichita on May 22 from 8 am until 2 pm at 7561 East 24th Court.

Thematic Exhibiting: Steps to Success is a five-part course offered by the American Topical Association. Sessions begin May 18 and run through May 25. Registration is through the ATA website.

Show and Tell: Rodger talked about a new UV lamp that he purchased. It is produced by Spectro Line and has both short and long wave capabilities in one unit. Bob talked about a similar light from Stanley Gibbons that he likes. Possible report on comparison between the two in the future.

Program: "Lance Wyman and Olympic Philately" by Tomas. Quite informative and interesting. Wyman was responsible for 43 stamp designs for Mexico and the U. S.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Keil

**Log into Zoom on Sunday
June 6th
Jim McKinzie will present
"BOB #1"**

New U.S. Issues for 2021:

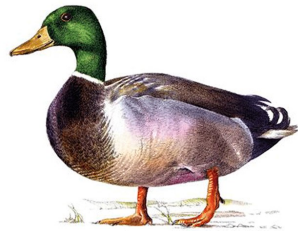
Philatelic Happenings:

Lots to Celebrate for June:

Mallard post card

Post card, Forever Rate
One Design, Single
Card, Double Reply Card
and Sheet of 40

Issue Date June 1st
Print Quantity –
3,480,000 Single Card
50,000 Double-cut Cards
1,000 sheets of 40 cards



USA / FOREVER

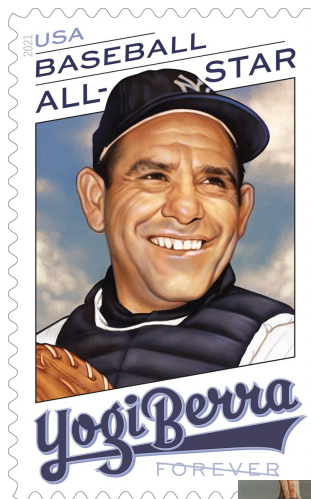
June 18 & 19

Kansas Numismatic Association Coin & Stamp Show
Cessna Activity Center
2744 George Washington Blvd
Wichita, KS
Friday 9am-6pm
Saturday 9am-4pm



Go For Broke Japanese-American Soldiers of WW II

First Class, Forever Rate
One Design, Pane of 20
Issue Date June 3rd
Print Quantity –
20,000,000 stamps



Yogi Berra

First Class, Forever Rate
One Design, Pane of 20
Issue Date June 24th
Print Quantity –Not announced by press time.



Emilio Sanchez

First Class, Forever Rate
Four Designs, Pane of 20
Issue Date June 10th
Print Quantity –18,000,000 stamps

Federal Duck Stamp

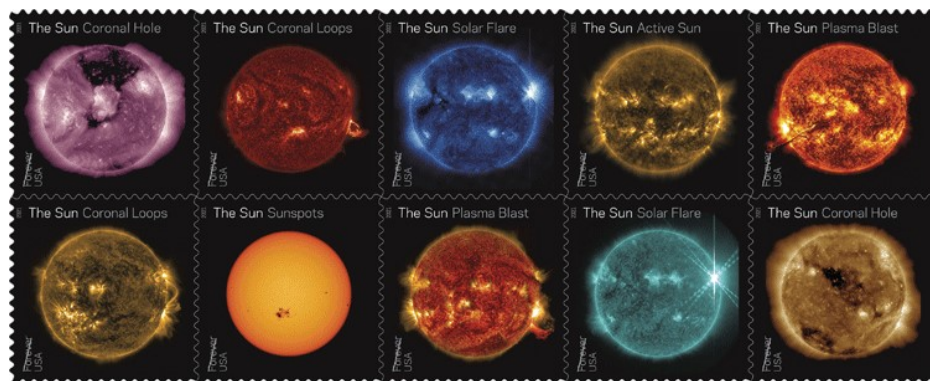
Rate \$25.00
Design to be released on date of issue.
Issue Date June 25th



Print Quantity –Not announced by press time.
Richard Clifton's original acrylic painting of this years design.

Sun Science

First Class, Forever Rate
Ten Designs, Pane of 20
Issue Date June 18th
Print Quantity –30,000,000 stamps



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www.midwestphilatelicsociety.com
Find previous newsletters, links to other stamp info and more on our website.

The President's Corner:

Rain, rain, rain! As I write this we have been having a weekend filled with rain. Everything is turning green outside which is a sign of the renewal of nature. And in many ways we are starting to have a renewal of other activities. As highlighted in this newsletter, we will hold our first in-person MPS meeting in more than a year on Sunday, June 6th, at the Johnson County Library - Monticello Branch in Shawnee. It will be great to gather again in person. We will also set up a Zoom connection for those who would prefer to connect online. The Great American Stamp Show is a go this August in Chicago. We are planning to attend and hope others from MPS may go as well. Hope all of you are doing well and we look forward to seeing you soon! Happy stamping! Tomas

NOTICE: MEETING IN-PERSON IS BACK!!!

The June meeting for MPS will be held on **SUNDAY**, June 6th at 2 pm.

Please note the **NEW DATE**

We will be meeting **IN-PERSON** and also via **ZOOM** (if you prefer to attend online)

The **NEW LOCATION IS:**

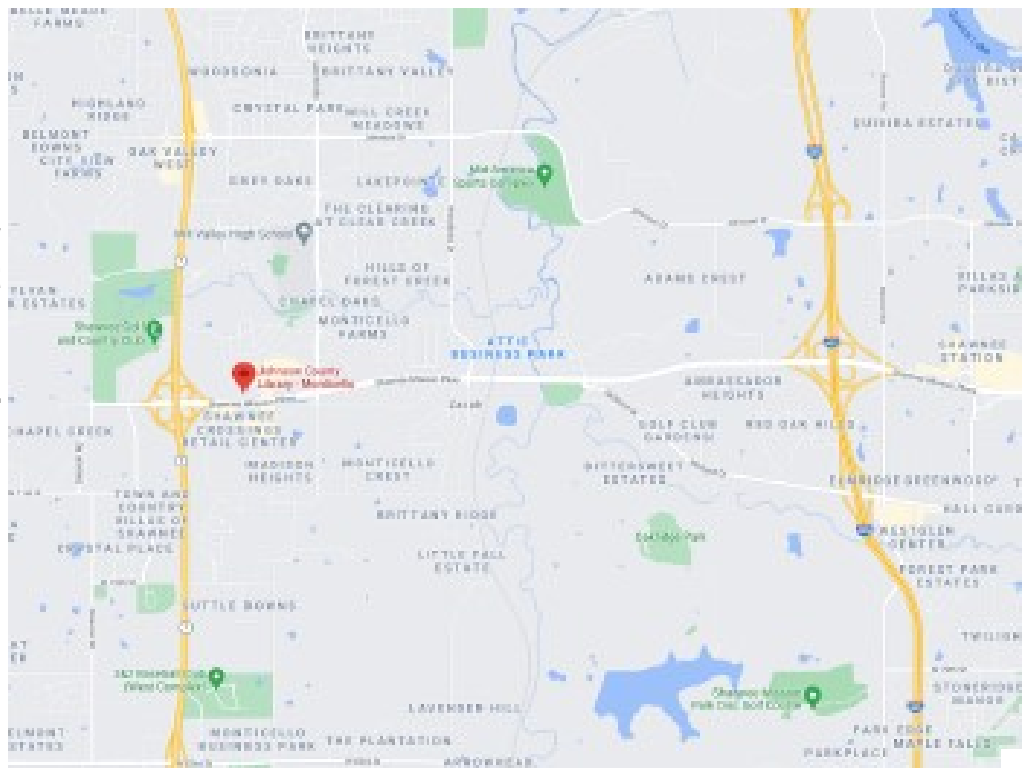
**Johnson County Library-Monticello Branch
22435 w 66th Street
Shawnee, KS 66226**

This library is located on the North side of Shawnee Mission Parkway, just East of K-7 highway (and West of I-435).

There is ample parking around the building.

We have the meeting room from 1-5pm. Please feel free to come after 1pm to help set up, visit with each other, set up auction items if you have them and enjoy being together in-person again.

We do not know if the library will require masks, so please do bring them. We will work to maintain social distancing during the meeting.



Philatelic Ramblings:

AT LAST!!! We can meet in person. To accomplish this Mike had to find a different location as the Kansas City Library system is still not allowing use of the meeting rooms. I am certainly willing to drive 45 minutes to meet in person and enjoy all that we do at our regular meetings. Are you? Hope to see all of you there but if you can not make it, check us out on Zoom. We will “broadcast” through Zoom, the meeting and program portion of the afternoon.

Also, notice it is on the first Sunday *not* Saturday. That’s what is available this month. Same time, different day and place. Come check it out. Looks like a very nice facility.

Several new issues this month. Some good designs. It continues to surprise me that USPS still issues the pre-stamped postcards. Who uses them? I don’t believe I have every gotten one in the mail when it was current and not from a dealer or fellow stamp collector. But it is a good looking design. The Japanese-American soldiers of WW II is a good example of why I fell for stamp collecting as a kid and still love it. You learn or are reminded of a slice of history that had importance. Not enough of this type of issue each year. As an interesting note, the original announced design of this issue has changed. No explanation has been given but I will bet there is a good story behind it.

In a recent Linn’s, they announced the winners of their U.S. 2020 stamp program poll. My favorite last year and



would be at the top for the last decade was

the Mayflower in Plymouth Harbor. It also captured the top spot on best design for the commemorative category. This beautiful and important stamp about U.S. history deserves this recognition. Let’s see what 2021 brings. I don’t have high hopes. So far, several rank right up there with the worst design of 2020, Hip-Hop. Although I do love the Yogi Bera design coming out this month. Baseball needs fun and colorful personalities like Yogi again.



JMc

Last Month’s MPS History Quiz Answer:

In a previous quiz we learned that a group of local stamp collectors resurrected a dormant stamp club in 1893 to organize the birth of the club we currently recognize as the MPS. Which one of the following was the name of the “dormant” stamp club that they resurrected?

Answer: d - The Stamp Club of Kansas City was organized in 1889. According to historical records, “the club lived a short but useful life and passed away”. Mr. Bescher was the primary mover but held no office. The current MPS does not recognize this club as one of our precursors.

Can Stamp Collecting Make You Hungry? by Andrea Smith



**Switzerland #1100
Chocosuisse, Centennial**

There is much more to stamp collecting, than just eye appeal, and many stamps can really make you hungry! Besides mouthwatering pictures of food, several countries have issued stamps that smell or taste, and it isn't even a new phenomenon!

In October 1955 Germany issued a stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Adalbert Stifter an Austrian poet. It was the first of many German stamps printed with a special peppermint flavored gum.



**Germany #735
Stifter Monement**

In January 1956 Germany issued a stamp commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. The stamp depicts a piano with a piece of music. It too had peppermint flavored gum.



**Germany #739
Clavichord**



**Germany #742
Olympic Rings**

And later that same year, they issued a stamp for the 1956 Olympics that also had a special peppermint flavored gum.



**Portugal #3157-3161
The Senses**

In 2009, Portugal issued a series of stamps to commemorate 200 years of Louis Braille. They feature the 5 senses: Hear, smell, taste, feel and sight. The first stamp is a cup of coffee, and you guessed it, it smells like coffee. The vanilla ice cream bar has vanilla flavored adhesive on



**Ireland #2089-2092
Five Senses-Taste**

2015- Ireland issued stamps that also featured the 5 senses, and the stamp depicting "taste" has strawberry flavored gum. "Smell" is impregnated with a mint scent.

the back.

In 2011, Liberia issued stamps of that had a distinct chocolate aroma, but Belgium (known for their fine chocolates) took it a step further.

In 2013 Belgium issued a series of chocolate stamps that smell and taste like chocolate. A team of fragrance and taste experts from Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands, and Switzerland were involved in creating the collection. Printed on special paper imbued with the aroma of cocoa and covered in a varnish to look and smell like chocolate.



**Belgium #2624
Chocolates**

A short video of how this was accomplished can be viewed at the following website: <https://www.bbc.com/news/av/magazine-1388234>

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The National Stamp Fair in Madrid took place from 24th to 27th of April 2014 at the Plaza Mayor in Madrid. The Spanish Postal Service (Correos) dedicated the issue of 2 miniature sheets to Spanish Gastronomy in collaboration with Spanish Chef Ferran Adrià. The stamps incorporate a scent and taste of mandarin/tangerine flower (Scott #3977) and Almond on the gum. (Scott#3978).

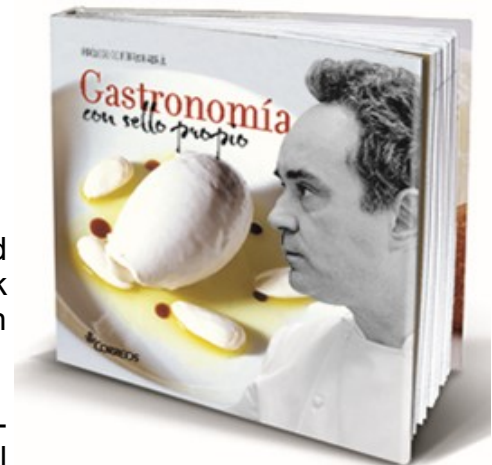


Spain #3977
a. Tangerine and Blossom,
b. Iberian Ham



Spain #4301
Gastronomy of the Guijuelo Area

They also issued issued a book 'Gastronomy with its own Stamp'.



Prefaced by Ferran Adrià, the book covers regional, modern and innovative cuisine as well as typical dishes and customs. The final chapter incorporates the contributions of 10 restaurateurs for 10 menus. It also includes the 4 stamps of the Spanish Gastronomy series that were issued in 2014, that have a sensation of smell and taste. It is the first time that Spain has issued stamps with these characteristics.

Spain did not stop there, in 2018 – known for its Ribera del Duero wine and Guijuelo ham- They issued another tasty stamp. Picturing the wine and the ham on the stamp - the adhesive on the back tastes and smells like ham.

And again in 2020 Spain issued an apple cider flavored amp, but this time, you lick the stamp itself to taste the apple cider!



US #5285-5294
Frozen Treats

When the U.S. Postal Service issued their “Frozen Treats Forever” popsicle stamps in June 2018, it was advertised as the USPS “first scratch and sniff” stamp. Many people thought it was a new, novel way to get consumers interested in stamp collecting, and many debated about just what those stamps smelled like. Watermelon? Grape, or...? It was described by the U.S.P.S as a “fruity aroma”. And we know the U.S. was hardly the first! And while scratch and sniff stamps are a novel idea, we can also enjoy stamps that taste like what is pictured.

I do not see this trend going away any time soon. The novelty is just too intriguing. I think it just goes to show - you **can** get hungry when collecting stamps!



CHICAGO 2021
GREAT AMERICAN STAMP SHOW

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AUGUST 12-15, 2021
LOCATION: * DONALD E. STEPHENS CONVENTION CENTER
5555 N RIVER RD • ROSEMONT, IL 60018

*All health and safety guidelines will be observed.

Are you going to the big show? Many of us are making the trek to Chicago. Don't be left out! You can find out the details at the APS website: stamps.org. It will be great fun.

MPS History Quiz:

For the 1939 HAPEX/MPS stamp show and exhibition held at the K.C. Municipal Auditorium, a beautiful 4 pane label was created. Which of the following does not describe one of the 4 triangle panes?

- A. Outline map of the United States with a red heart in the middle containing the letters KC against a background of blue horizontal lines.
- B. Green sketch of the Liberty Memorial, better known today as The National World War I Museum and Memorial.
- C. Brown drawing of the famous "Scout" statue in Penn Valley Park.
- D. The MPS's triangle logo resembling a stamp as displayed at the top of this newsletter



Hope you enjoyed this month's newsletter. Thanks to Bob B. and Andrea S. for their contributions. You can contribute too by emailing me for next month's issue. **Deadline for the July issue will be June 15th.** Happy stamping! *Jim Mc*