



KINGDOM PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

Fulton, Missouri 65251

Kingdom of Callaway County—Mule Capitol of the World

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Meeting

The next meeting of the Kingdom Philatelic Association will be 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 21, 2013 at the Court Street Methodist Church. There will be circuit books, U.S. and worldwide stamps to look through. In addition to the usual U.S. and British North American circuit books; there are two books of Finland stamps, two books of classical Europe (pre-1940), and two topical; ships and Mickey Mouse.

Kansas City Roulettes



In December 1914, the main post office in Kansas City had about 93,600 one-cent and 69,200 two-cent imperforated stamps (Scott #408 & 409) on hand. These stamps were issued imperforate by the US Postal Department for private vending machine companies, but they were no longer on demand. In order to make them sellable, rather than destroy them; the post master, W.N. Colins got permission to perforate them by hand and sell them over the counter.

He sent a couple of clerks to a local dry goods store where they purchased 15 tracing wheels for dressmaking. These were then used to perforate the stamps. Each of the tracing

wheels was slightly different, so the rouletted cuts from one wheel were different from those of the others.

A local attorney and stamp collector, William C. Michaels knew that the roulettes would never become a major collectable unless something could be done to detect an authentic “Kansas City Roulette”. So he had a tiny rubber stamp make that read, “W.C.M.” and he marked every Kansas City rouletted stamp he could get his hands on.

Scott Catalogue does not list these stamps as a separate variety, but does describe them and indicate a value of \$200 for a block of four.

The Battle of New Orleans took place in 1815 and was the last major battle of the War of 1812. A commemorative stamp (Scott # 1261) for the battle was issued in 1965. There will probably be another one issued a part of the War of 1812 series currently being issued by the USPS.



KPA dues are due

2013 Kingdom Philatelic Association dues are now due. They are again \$10. This is a real bargain. If you have not yet paid them, either bring them with you to the meeting Thursday or send them to Al White, 4912 County Road 217, Fulton MO 65251.

March 23-24, 2013 is the St. Louis Stamp Expo 2013. The Regency Superior catalog for the show auction is now on line at <http://www.regencystamps.com>.

U.S. stamps scheduled for issued in February



Philatelic Dates

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| February 1, 2013 | USPS issues \$19.95 Express Mail Grand Central Terminal commemorative |
| February 2, 2013 | USPS issues 45c forever Rosa Parks commemorative |
| February 10, 1964 | Sierra Leone issues the first self-adhesive with peel able backing paper |
| February 21, 2013 | Kingdom Philatelic Association meeting, Fulton, MO |
| February 22, 2013 | USPS issues 46c forever Muscle Car commemoratives |
| March 9, 2013 | Stratford Stamp Show, Stratford Inn Motel, Fenton, MO |

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