



KINGDOM PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

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Meeting

The next meeting of the Kingdom Philatelic Association will be 7:00 p.m. Thursday, November 15, 2012 at the Court Street Methodist Church. There will be circuit books, U.S. and worldwide stamps to look through. There is one book of Germany and one book of German states in the circuits. There are two books of British North America.

At the last meeting we looked at the War of 1812 through stamps. This month Lester Perkins will have a program for us.

Rare Stamps

Some of the rarest stamps are not postage stamps but revenue stamps. For instance, only 168 copies of the \$500 stock transfer stamp (RD 90) were issued in 1940. Each stamp has a serial numbers which makes them even scarcer. But even though the stamps are relatively scarce they only catalog for \$1-2,000; if you can find one.



Germany



I'm sure if you collect German stamps you have seen a lot of stamps like the adjacent. These small blue German stamps are often referred to as a *Blue Flea*. It was issued by Occupied West Germany and the Federal Republic of Germany from 1948 to 1956. It is actually not a postage stamp but a postal tax stamp which provided funds to support West Berlin.

Germany was the first country to adopt a national postal code (zip code) in 1942.

Germany was the first country to issue official postage stamps for mail to be carried on Zeppelins in 1928.

Living Persons Portrayed on Postage Stamps

With the current discussion about putting the image of a living person on a U.S. postage stamp it is interesting to note that the Confederate States of America actually did that. One of the first stamps they issued portrayed the president of the CSA; Jefferson Davis. It is also interesting to note that the 5c confederate issue provided the same service as the US 1c issue, reflecting the need for cash in the new confederacy.



Happy Thanksgiving

New U.S. stamps issued in November



The USPS does not usually issued stamps in November as the holiday stamps are usually issued in October. This year is an exception as a stamp commemorating Lady Bird Johnson is being issue. This stamp was not on the original schedule for the year.

Philatelic Dates

November 3, 1864	First recorded use of the word philately in the November issue of the <i>Collectionneur de Timbre-Post</i>
November 15, 2012	Kingdom Philatelic Association meeting, Fulton, MO
November 17-18, 2012	Regency Chicagopex Stamp Auction
November 18, 2012	E & D Auction in Kansas City
November 30, 2012	USPS issues Lady Bird Johnson forever commemorative

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