



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, March 20, 2014, (first day of spring, Yea!!) at the Court Street Methodist Church.

This month's circuits include 3 books of British North America, 2 books of France, 2 books of classical Europe, one book of Finland. The rest are an assortment of U.S. stamps.

Jon couldn't make the meeting last month so Scott provided us with a little program and update on his activities with kids. He had some interesting correlations between two presidents, Lincoln and Kennedy for president's day. If you get to the St. Louis Expo next weekend stop by and see him in the Youth Room.

For this month's program Jon is going to discuss collecting Upper Silesia, where ever that is. Maybe it is north of Lower Silesia?



Upright Jenny Status

15 of the 100 sheets of upright Jenny's have now been found. That leaves 85 yet to be found. I still have four unopened packages, shall I open them? The Ideal Stamp and Coin dealer purchased the first pane that was sold by a finder, paying \$25,000. The odds of finding one of the 100 panes printed with the intentional variety is estimated by Linn's to be 1 in 19,000.

The new issue of the Scott Catalog is decreasing the value of an original inverted 1918 Inverted Jenny to \$400,000 from \$450,000. I guess that is what happens when you flood the market with reproductions.

CIA Invert



The only known pane of 100 was bought by a CIA employee for his office, at a post office in Virginia. Recognizing that what he had might be valuable, but not sure how to capitalize on his find, and presumably short of cash, he enlisted some co-workers to contribute enough money to buy another pane to replace the first one. Each co-worker kept one invert stamp as a souvenir and the rest were sold to a dealer. When the story got out, the CIA demanded the return of the stamps, and the employees who refused to surrender their stamps were fired. Postal Inspectors tried to retrieve the rest of the pane from the dealer, but since the pane had been purchased legitimately from a clerk at a post office, the sale was legal, and the stamps remained in the philatelic marketplace. Today they catalog \$15,000 apiece. Considering that



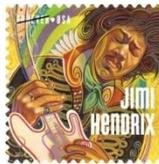
there are no more of these than the Inverted Jenny, it seems odd they are worth only a tenth as much.

Stamp Shows

Don't forget the St. Louis Stamp Expo March 21-23. I always enjoy this show. I usually attend the Missouri – Illinois Postal History meeting and I like browsing through the exhibits. And, of course, there are enough dealers that you can find about anything you are looking for. Also don't forget the auction.

Jon also drew my attention to the Mid-Missouri Collectors Show in Osage Beach. I want to try to make it to that show also. There are other things besides stamps at this show, but I know many of us are interested in those collectables too. I am interested in coins. I used to go to a coin show in St. Louis every year, but I have not seen anything on it recently, so this will be a good opportunity. If you want to check out what is there you can go to; <http://www.bordertownauctionhouse.com/shows.htm> . It would be great if the attendance at this show is sufficient for it to occur each year. Unfortunately it is the same weekend as the St. Louis show this year, March 21-23, 2013.

New U.S. stamps scheduled for issue in March 2014



Philatelic Dates

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| March 13, 2014 | USPS issues \$19.99 Express Mail USS Arizona Memorial commemorative |
| March 13, 2014 | USPS issues 70c C. Alfred "Chief" Anderson additional ounce rate commemorative |
| March 13, 2014 | USPS issues 49c Jimi Hendrix (Music Icons Series) commemorative |
| March 20, 2014 | Kingdom Philatelic Association meeting, Fulton, MO |
| March 21, 2014 | USPS issues 70c Wedding Series "Yes I Do" at St. Louis |
| March 21-23, 2014 | Mid-Missouri Collectors Show, Inn at Grand Glaize, Osage Beach |
| March 21-23, 2014 | St. Louis Stamp Expo and Regency Auction |
| April 6, 2014 | E & D Auction, Kansas City |

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