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2026!



Meetings / Activities

Meetings are held on 1st and 3rd Mondays (adjusted for holidays) at Christ Church 3440 Shroyer Rd Kettering OH 45429

For the Zoom invitation and link, please email daytonstampclub@gmail.com

Member's Socializing and Silent Auctions begin at 7:00 PM - Club Meeting & Programs begin at 7:30 PM Board Meetings begin at 7:00 PM.

2026

January

Jan 5, 7:00 pm -AUCTION #1—Regular Member Auction

Jan 12, 7:00 pm Board meeting. Come to Board Meeting and Get Extra Stamp Bucks

Jan 19, Pizza Party—6:30 pm Marion's Pizza (MLK Day Holiday Church Closed) Town & Country Shopping Center, 30 E. Stroop Road

February

Feb 2, 7:00 pm—Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom -- What are Match and Medicine Stamps? DSC Member Speaker—Dennis Callison

Feb 6 & 7, North Canton—McKiinley Stamp Club Show, St. George Servian Social Hall, 4667 Applegrove St., NW. HRS: Fri 10am-5pm; Sat 10am-4pm. Email: Lincolnway@assnet.com

Feb 7-8, Indianapolis Stamp Show, Lawrence Park District Center, 5301 N. Franklin Rd., Lawrence, IN. Email: mdsastampshow@gmail.com.

Feb 9, 7:00 pm Board Meeting

Feb 16, NO MEETING (Presidents Day Holiday) Church Closed

Feb 27-28, Toledo Stamp Expo 2026. The stamp Collectors Club of Toledo, Graystone Banquet Hall & Conference Center, 29101 Huffman Rd, Perrysburg. Email: cschafstall82@gmail.com.

MARCH

Mar 2, 7:00 pm—Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom—Member Bourse & Club Open House—Buy, Sell & Trade.

Mar 9, 7:00 pm Board Meeting

Mar13-15, Garfield-Perry March Party 2026, Gardfield-Perry Stamp Club, Best Western Plus, 15471 Royalton Rd. Strongsville. Email: MarchPartyChair@garfieldperry.org.

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Tariff information for Boston 2026

BY LINDA'S STAFF

A new section of the Boston 2026 World Expo website deals exclusively with tariff issues around stamps and philatelic material. The information can be found by clicking on the "Tariffs" link at the top of the Boston 2026 website home page at www.boston2026.org.

Evidence shown on the website includes a Customs and Border Protection ruling on the tariff classification of certain postage stamps and a first-day cover from China and Japan, and an email from Andrew Langreich of Customs and Border Protection

saying that items classified under heading 9704 may qualify for exemptions from additional duties. In that email, Langreich adds: "Please do not be concerned with the use of the word 'may'. Heading 9704 is on that list, so it is exempted from additional duties."

The show has employed the customs broker Vantage Point to assist with acquiring temporary importation bonds for philatelic material not being sold to enter the country under a tariff-free status.

For more information, visit the show website.

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AIRPEX 2026

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21 and SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2026



DAYTON STAMP SHOW

Map to Emerge Center

2960 W Enon Rd, Xenia, OH 45385



Festival of Lights

Hanukkah may be the best known Jewish holiday in the United States. But despite its popularity in the U.S., Hanukkah is ranked one of Judaism's minor festivals, and nowhere else does it garner such attention. The holiday is mostly a domestic celebration, although special holiday prayers also expand synagogue worship.

Hanukkah's back story



The word "Hanukkah" means dedication. It commemorates the rededicating of the ancient Temple in Jerusalem in 165 B.C. when Jews – led by a band of brothers called the Maccabees – tossed out statues of Hellenic gods that had been placed there by King Antiochus IV when he conquered Judea. Antiochus aimed to plant Hellenic culture throughout his kingdom, and that included worshipping its gods.

Legend has it that during the dedication, as people prepared to light the Temple's large oil lamps to signify the presence of God, only a tiny bit of holy oil could be found. Yet, that little bit of oil remained alight for eight days until more could be prepared. Thus, each Hanukkah evening, for eight nights, Jews light a candle, adding an additional one as the holiday progresses throughout the festival.

Hanukkah's American story

Today, America is home to almost 7 million Jews. But Jews did not always find it easy to be Jewish in America. Until the late 19th century, America's Jewish population was very small and grew to only as many as 250,000 in 1880. The basic goods of Jewish religious life – such as kosher meat and candles, Torah scrolls, and Jewish calendars – were often hard to find.

In those early days, major Jewish religious events took special planning and effort, and minor festivals like Hanukkah often slipped by unnoticed.

20th-century expansion

By 1900, industrial America produced the abundance of goods exchanged each Dec. 25. Christmas' domestic celebrations and gifts to children provided a shared religious experience to American Christians otherwise separated by denominational divisions. As a home celebration, it sidestepped the theological and institutional loyalties voiced in churches.

For the 2.3 million Jewish immigrants who entered the U.S. between 1881 and 1924, providing their children with gifts in December proved they were becoming American and obtaining a better life.

But by giving those gifts at Hanukkah, instead of adopting Christmas, they also expressed their own ideals of American religious freedom, as well as their own dedication to Judaism.



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Mar 16, 7:00 pm -AUCTION #2—Regular Member Auction

APRIL

Apr 6, ****SILENT AUCTION 7:00-7:20pm**** Club What was Your Biggest Mistake in Stamp Collecting? Member Participation 4-6 minute.

Apr 13, 7:00 pm Board Meeting

Apr 20, **>>Club CASH Auction Preview 7:00-7:25 pm<<** Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom US and Worldwide Postal Stationary—Doug Files

MAY

May 4, Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom **AUCTION #3 - Club CASH Auction**

May 11, 7:00 pm Board Meeting

May 18, Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom—Pre-1900 US Stamps DSC Member Speaker—Rick Clark

JUNE

Jun 1, **AUCTION #4—Regular Member Auction**

Jun 8, Board meeting

Jun 15, ****SILENT AUCTION 7:00-7:20PM**** and Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom—Topical Collecting and Exhibits DSC Member Speaker—Joe Shearer

JULY

JUL 6, Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom, My Other Hobby, Member Participation 4-6 minutes

Jul 13, Board meeting

Jul 11-12, MSDA Indianapolis Stamp Show. Midwest Dealers Association, Lawrence Park District Center, 5301 Franklin Rd., Lawrence IN. website: msdastampshow.com.

Jul 20, Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom, Member Bourse & Club Open House—Buy, Sell, Trade

AUGUST

Aug 3, Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom, **AUCTION #5—Regular Member Auction**

Aug 10, Board meeting, AIRPEX Review

Aug 17, Club Meeting & Program—In Person & Zoom—Panel Discussion: 19th Century Great Britain DSC Members—Jim Guthrie, Tony Kosarew, Jim Schwerdtfeger

Aug 21-22, AIRPEX 2026 @ Emerge Center (F:12-6pm; Sa:10am-4pm), 2960 W.Enon Rd., Xenia OH 45385

SEPTEMBER

Sep 7, NO MEETING, LABOR DAY HOLIDAY—

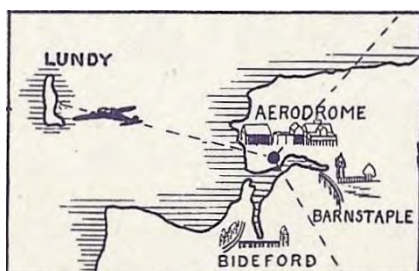


Stamps or Tram Tickets?

By Tony Kosarew

Off the coast of North Devon in Great Britain, is a small Island called Lundy.

Lundy Island



In 1925 the Island was acquired by Mr. M. Harman together with its Postal Service which until then was run by the British Post Office. In order to pay for the mail service Mr. Harman decided to issue his own stamps, using the Puffin (bird) as the denomination, which equated to the British Penny.

½ Puffin & 1 Puffin Stamps

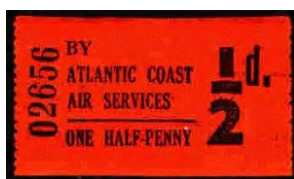


On November 1st 1929 the first Lundy stamps were printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. The ½ Puffin Pink and the 1 Puffin Blue.

Well, where does the Tram Ticket come into the picture. Glad you asked. After issuing a further three stamps, the 6p Mauve, 9p Brown and the 12p Green, Mr. Harman was approached by Mr. R. Boyd (Pilot and member of the Devon Flying Club) and suggested Lundy Air Mail service which Mr. Harman readily agreed to.

In their haste to produce a set of Air Mail stamps on short notice, the two had to use what was readily available which were Tram Tickets. They had them gummed on the back and the ½d and 3d Tram Tickets were born. They were printed by Willson's of Leicester in rolls of 500 tickets per roll and they produced 8 rolls of each denomination. This became the first printing of the Lundy Tram Ticket.

Lundy 1st Printing Tram Tickets



½d. Black on Red



3d. Black on Blue

This Air Mail service was called the Atlantic Coast Air Service or (A.C.A.S.) as printed on the samples shown.

So, any mail posted from or going to Lundy Island by Air Mail required a Lundy Stamp, a Lundy Air Mail Tram Ticket (then called a label) and a G.B. stamp.

Because of the high demand for the Air Mail Service, there was a second printing on December 3rd 1935. Two rolls of the ½d black on red and two rolls of the 3d black on blue were produced with each roll containing 1,000 tickets. However, a new 1d denomination was also produced, black on yellow. Also two rolls of 1,000 tickets.

Lundy 2nd Printing Tram Tickets



1d. Black on Yellow

The first printing of the Tram Ticket is difficult to find and scarce. The second printing was a little more common but also difficult to find.

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What are remarques?

By Doug Files

While researching something else I came across remarques, a philatelic term I had never heard. It is a lot like a hand-painted first day cover cachet, but it appears on a duck stamp or on the selvage next to the stamp. Remarque comes from a French word roughly meaning re-drawn.

Artists may create these attractive collectibles by painting or drawing an image on one of the duck stamps they have designed themselves.

The image can either mirror the design of the stamp or be a different pose of the same species of duck. A tribute remarque results when an artist creates an image on a stamp designed by another artist.

Perhaps the two most significant artists in the history of the Federal Duck Stamp Program were Ding Darling and Maynard Reece. The two duck stamp designers, both hunters from Iowa, were destined to become close friends.

As a hunter, Reece knew what duck

stamps were, but he found out about the Federal Duck

Stamp Design Contest from Darling. Darling was a more established artist and offered advice to Reece. Eventually Reece improved to the level where Darling felt he could no longer teach him. "He was wrong,"; Reece said. "He helped me until the day he died."

Maynard Reece won the Federal Duck Stamp Contest for the third time in 1959, with his wash and gouache painting of the famous Labrador Retriever King Buck. His remarque on that issue fea-



1935 Frank Benson remarque

tures two mallards among yellow grass. He signed the remarque with his initials. In addition to 1959, Reece also won the contest in 1948, 1951, 1969, and 1971. His duck stamps are listed by Scott as RW15, RW18, RW26, RW36 and RW38.



Maynard Reece remarque:
"My tribute to 'Ding'"



1959 Maynard Reece remarque

No other artist ever won the competition more times than Reece.

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British Commonwealth War Tax Stamps 1914-1920

By Tony Kosarew

During the first world war and to some extent the second world war, some British Commonwealth countries issued War Tax stamps to help pay for the war effort. This tax was of course a mandatory tax. There were 27 countries that issued war tax stamps that included: Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, Bermuda, British Guiana, British Honduras, Canada, Cayman Islands, Ceylon, Dominica, Falkland Islands, Fiji, Gibraltar, Gilbert & Ellice Islands, Gold Coast, Grenada, Jamaica, Malta, Montserrat, New Zealand, St. Helena, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Trinidad & Caicos Islands and British Virgin Islands.

Ceylon



The stamps had a black or sometimes red overprint of either "WAR", "WAR STAMP"

or "WAR TAX". The War Tax act that was issued in these countries stated that the war tax fee should be used in addition to the normal postage rate for letters, postcards and parcels. The War Tax fee for letters and postcards was a halfpenny and three pence for parcels and telegrams. Although the additional fee was suppose to go towards the war effort, in most cases it just paid for the postage fees.

On occasion you will also see the Tax amount imprinted on the stamp as shown in the Dominica example below.

Dominica



Finding Mint War Tax stamps is not very hard since there was an abundance of these stamps that were snapped up by dealers. The real hard part about collecting War Tax stamps is to collect them on cover.

Barbados



Jamaica



There was little to no standardization of type fonts, formats and sizes. Some stamps even had additional punctuation marks added like the star symbol.

Bermuda



If anyone is interested in collecting War Tax stamps, I will have album pages and a want list available shortly. There are only 99 stamps in total to collect in this album.

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1946 Bob Hines remarque

Recognized at the time as the best field retriever dog in the nation, King Buck was named National Retriever Field Trial Club champion in 1952 and 1953. The 1959 duck stamp, the first U. S. stamp to feature the image of a dog, greatly familiarized his name and image. Reece titled his work "Labrador Retriever—Holding Mallard." Public response to the stamp was mixed. Some people liked the image of a hunting dog, but others objected to the duck stamp that year only showing a dead bird.



1968 Claremont Pritchard remarque

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing produced the stamp in black, blue, and yellow, making it the first multicolored Federal Duck Stamp. It was also the first stamp to carry a conservation message — "Retrievers Save Game." Bob Hines and Victor S. McCloskey, Jr., designed the stamp; Arthur W. Dintaman engraved the vignette, and Howard F. Sharpless engraved the frame, letters, and numerals. The front of the stamp was printed on an intaglio press and the back on an offset press. Beginning with the 1959 issue, the BEP increased the number of stamps on a pane from twenty-eight to thirty.

A remarque of the 1959 stamp showing King Buck was sold by the Siegel auction house in December 2002. A customer paid \$490.00 for this rarity at that time. The sale represented the first time a large auction house was known to have auctioned a remarque.



1973 Lee LeBlanc remarque

Prints from National Postal Museum website, Smithsonian Institution

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Boston 2026 is now a General World Stamp Exhibition with FIP Patronage!

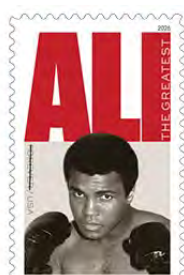
USPS January 2026 New Issues



January 13. Four (78c) forever Commemorative stamps; pane of 20



January 9, Angel's Trumpets. Two forever commemorative stamps and a 4c definitive



January 15. Muhammad Ali. Two (78c) commemorative stamps; pane of 20.



January 29 Phillis Wheatley. Single (78c) forever commemorative stamp, pane of 20; Black Heritage series.



January 24. Single (78c) forever stamp, pane of 20.



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