

# LINCOLN STAMP CLUB

SOUVENIR SHEET  
February 2025

## Club Happenings Last Month January 9 Meeting

### OFFICERS

President:

*Brad Shay (2025)*

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*Mark Sellhorn (2025)*

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### EXCHANGES

Manager: *Dale Niebuhr*

### APS AMBASSADOR

*Dale Niebuhr*

### MEETINGS

The Club meets the second  
Thursday, 7:00–8:30 p.m.

### LOCATION

College View Adventist Church  
48th & Prescott St.  
Lincoln, Neb.

### CONTACT

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### AFFILIATION

An American Philatelic Society  
affiliate : **APS #0799-064882.**

### ANNIVERSARY

**1964—2025**

**Sixty-One Years**

### NEWSLETTER

Editor: Mark Sellhorn

We met with 25 members and a guest—Mike Ponte. **Brad** read through the list of new stamps coming out this month, and then talked about LINPEX coming up in February. He put out a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help setup and tear down. We are trying to fill our 20 frames of exhibits and have 10 committed so far. We would like to have 10 more if you would like to show what you collect. There will also be a table set up for philatelic/stamp displays. If you have something related to stamp collecting that you would like to share, please bring it to the show.

The February program will be “*Stamps of the World-Wide French Colonial Empire*” by **Bob Ferguson**

The door prizes were won by these folks:

**Keith Riese** won The “1900’s Celebrating the Century” souvenir set.

**Don Ehly** won a 1994 UN “Endangered Species” folder and stamps.

**Marilyn Weidner** won a 1995 UN “Endangered Species” folder and stamps.

**Mike Ley** showed a 1947 Burma presentation folder with sets of public postage stamps and service postage stamps.

**Willy Knopp** showed a 1969 registered piece to Brazil franked with a solo use \$1 airlift stamp (Sc. 1341).

**Brad Shay** showed several 1950’s covers with then-current Christmas seals tied to the cover.

**Cynthia Carlson** passed around some 1910 vintage postcards of Miller & Paine department store in Lincoln. What followed was a reminiscence of the world-class cinnamon rolls produced at the store.

**Mark Sellhorn** showed a 1927 cover of fan mail to Charles Lindbergh and a Lindbergh postcard “thank you” sent by the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce..

The meeting was followed by another successful sale of donated material

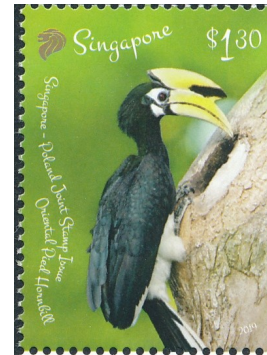
### LINPEX Exhibits

If you have not already done so, please send your exhibit information to Mark at [coilcoverman@gmail.com](mailto:coilcoverman@gmail.com). We just need the title of your exhibit, the number of frames, and a very short description of the exhibit. Please send this info by February 15 so it may be included in the show program and in the exhibit line-up.

### Early Mail Delivery In Nebraska

The Saunders County Genealogical Club will present early mail delivery and other stamp collecting topics at 1:30, Tuesday, February 18 at the Saunders County Museum. A number of interesting topics include mailing children by train; horseback mail deliveries, early post offices in the county, and night delivery beacons. All are welcome and refreshments will follow.

# Birds of the World



# Registered Surface Mail Franked with a Wildlife Menagerie

by David M. Frye,  
dfrye@WideSky.biz

The journey of this registered surface mail letter from Capetown—Kaaipstad in Afrikaans—to Belvedere, California, lasted as long as some safaris. The four circular date stamps are all dated “25 SEP 57.” The large, circular, reddish stamp on the middle of the front of the envelope is legible enough to show a date, “OCT 22 1957,” and the phrase “U.S. Customs.” This date indicated the envelope’s arrival in the United States. Thus, the letter required 27 days to make the trip from South Africa. The circular date stamp on the back of the letter records that the letter arrived at the Belvedere–Tiburon post office on “OCT 23 1957.”

Several additional markings are worthy of note. The blue lines drawn on the front and back of the envelope are the internationally recognized means, in the period, of denoting a registered letter. The penciled out marking on the front of the envelope states, “Supposed liable to customs duty.” The supposition was checked by the U.S. Customs office. The envelope bears no markings to indicate that the office found anything in the envelope’s contents requiring payment of a duty.

The note, “No answer 10/23,” written in blue pen



**Capetown / Kaapstad to Belvedere:** Six stamps, representing five different designs of South Africa’s 1954 definitive series, paid 14d for registered surface mail from Cape Town/Kaapstad to Belvedere, California. The combined rate for this letter was 13 1/2d. Thus, the letter was overpaid by 1/2d

on the front of the cover, records the result of the mail carrier’s first attempt to deliver the letter to its recipient.

The stamps feature both English and Afrikaans texts: “Inkomste/Revenue,” “Posgeld/Postage” and “Suid-Afrika/South Africa.” The 1/2d, 1d, 2d, 4d, and 6d stamps depict a warhog, wildebeest, mountain zebra, African elephant, and lion, respectively

The recipient, Edwin Drechsel, was the author of several philatelic studies of Paquebot mail. One obituary noted, “Edwin J. Drechsel, a globe-trotting journalist for U.S. News & World Report and a maritime author who somehow found time to become mayor of Belvedere and save a redwood forest, has died ... of pneumonia March 27[, 2006,] in Vancouver, British Columbia. He was 91.

“The son of a sea captain, he was born in 1914 in Bremen, Germany. ... His father, a captain for North German Lloyd, took him aboard for several voyages, inspiring a lifelong love of ships and the sea. Mr. Drechsel attended Dartmouth University, where he received a bachelor’s degree and then, in 1936, a master’s degree in business administration.”

**Obituary:** <http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Edwin-Drechsel-reporter-author-ex-mayor-of-2537897.php>



Post Card: Author’s Collection.

Cover: Author’s collection

## Club Notes

We meet in person at our location, College View Adventist Church, 48th and Prescott. Please join us in the company of other philatelists.

### Welcome

The Lincoln Stamp Club welcomes guests to every meeting of the Club. Dues are only \$12/year. Membership forms are on the Web: [Membership: www.lincolnstampclub.org/membership/.StampClub](http://www.lincolnstampclub.org/membership/.StampClub).

### Facebook

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## Meetings

: Program: Thursday, February 13

*Stamps of the World-Wide French Colonial Empire*

By Bob Ferguson

LINPEX 2025 preparations

## Coming Up

### LINPEX 2025

Friday, February 28 10am—6pm

Saturday, March 1 10am—4pm

Country Inn and Suites

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