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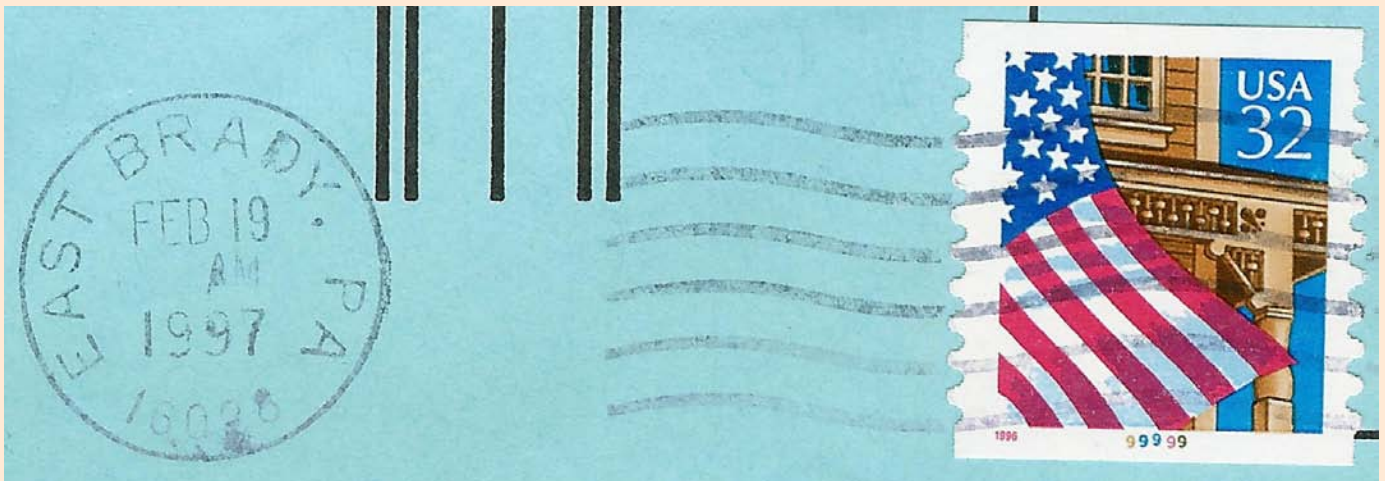
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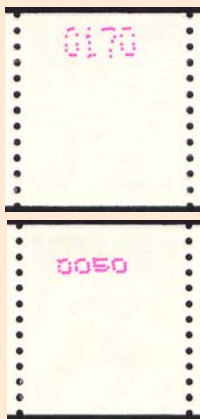
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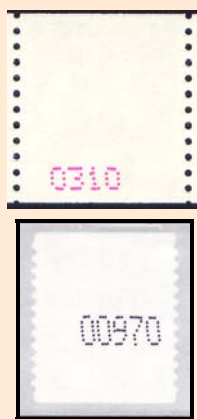
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# President's Message

## FROM THE PRESIDENT . . .

### A Tribute to a Great Lady!!

I'd like to start off this column by saying goodbye to a Good Friend, a Super Lady and a Great Philatelic Clerk.

Renate Fearonce, the long-time Internet and mail-order philatelic clerk stationed at Tucson, Arizona, announced earlier that she would be retiring after 30 years of working in the U. S. Postal Service. The effective date of her retirement is the end of July, 2009. Renate served as a philatelic clerk for half of her thirty years in the Postal Service.

Renate stated that "the best part of the past 30 years is the last 15 years serving all of you. You have all been valued customers and I will always think of you fondly and most of all, will think of all the support you have given me."

Renate was always willing to go beyond the norm to help collectors, especially those seeking Plate Number Coils. We all appreciate her kindness and thoroughness in filling our orders and shipping them out in a timely manner.

We will miss you, Renate. We wish you well and success in your retirement pursuits.

### Annual Board and Membership Meetings

The PNC<sup>3</sup> annual board and membership meetings at the American Philatelic Society (APS) StampShow in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania are just a few days away. Our annual meetings will be held August 8<sup>th</sup> at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center at 1000 Fort Duquense Blvd., in downtown Pittsburgh. The board meeting will be at 9 a.m. in room 332 and is scheduled for three hours. The annual membership meeting will start at 1 p.m. in room 336. We have the room for two hours.

PNC<sup>3</sup> members will be operating our society booth on the show floor all four days of the show. Society booths are on the left as you enter the hall.



**Renate Fearonce**

We are looking for volunteers to staff our booth. No experience is required! It's just a matter of being there and being helpful to those who visit our booth.

I plan to attend the PNC<sup>3</sup> meetings in Pittsburgh, along with the following officers: Tom McFarland, Vice President, Frank Covey, Past President, Dan Farrar, Secretary, Ed Wigger, At Large, and Todd Uebele, At Large. The following gentlemen have also indicated that they plan on being there: Anthony Bruno, Regional Meetings Chair, and Robert Thompson, Membership Chair.

There will be an introduction of members and a report on the board meeting. We will have time for announcements and we always make time for trading and selling your PNC material. We will do our best to have some really nice door prizes.

One item that I would like everyone to think about is the election of officers in 2010. Almost all of the officer positions will be up for election next year and we need candidates to fill the slots. Please give it some serious thought, and step up to the plate if you feel that you can help guide the club as an officer.

The PNC<sup>3</sup> booth on the main show floor is always a great gathering spot for members and friends, a place to renew friendships and meet others to put a face to a name. We plan to have full-color back issues of *Coil Line* available for you to inspect, along with items  
(please see next page)

# Regional Meetings

## Want to Sponsor a Regional Meeting?

Contact Tony Bruno for suggestions. He can put you in contact with others who have taken on the task. Several members have made it a regular habit of promoting meetings in their area.

### Regional Meeting Chairman

Tony Bruno, PO Box 624, East Lyme, CT  
06333-0624; email, [tbbee@aol.com](mailto:tbbee@aol.com).

There is no charge for announcements in this column. Please submit to Editor three months prior to the meeting date. Thank you.

## Upcoming Regional Meetings

### *Annual Membership Meeting* APS StampShow - Pittsburgh August 8

Reminder: The annual PNC<sup>3</sup> meeting will take place during the APS StampShow in Pittsburgh, PA, August 6-9. The show's hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, and 10 am to 4 pm on Sunday. See the President's Message for more details (previous page 119).

### Los Angeles at SESCOAL October 10

A PNC<sup>3</sup> Regional meeting is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 10 during the 65<sup>th</sup> annual Stamp Exhibition of Southern California at the Radisson Los Angeles Airport Hotel. SESCOAL 2009 will be held Friday – Saturday Oct. 9-11. Their website [www.sescal.org](http://www.sescal.org) can be accessed for all of the latest exhibition schedules, including those of specialty stamp societies' meetings such as PNC<sup>3</sup>. Details will be added here as they become known. Member contact is Jack Wasserman, (323) 874-5702.

## CHICAGOPEX November 21

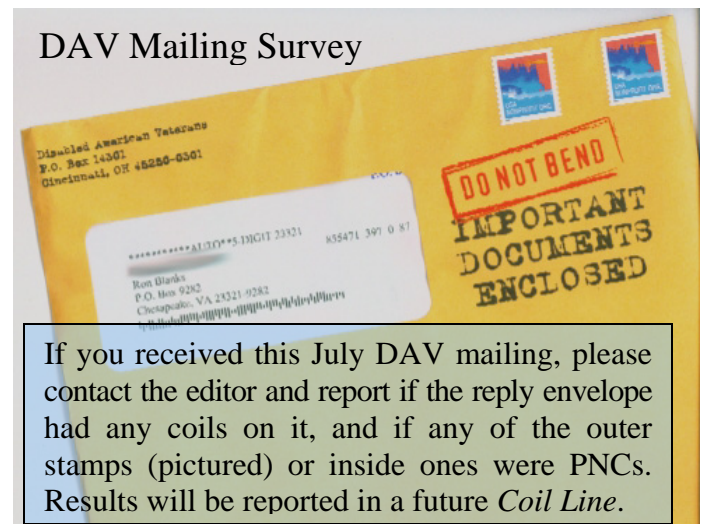
A regional meeting of PNC<sup>3</sup> is scheduled at CHICAGOPEX on Saturday, November 21 from 11 am to noon. The meeting will be co-chaired by Andy Jakes and Harvey Wales. Attendance at this regional meeting has been good in the past. We hope more PNCers will join us this year for conversation, new finds, exchanges, and door prizes. For more information, contact Andy Jakes at [pnctreasurer@aol.com](mailto:pnctreasurer@aol.com) or (847) 543-4487.

*(continued from page 119, President's Message)*  
that the catalog committee has for sale. We will have a sample copy of the PNC<sup>3</sup> catalog to browse through.

We'll also have First Day Ceremony programs from the Beautiful Blooms ceremony that the club sponsored along with the APS in Portland, Oregon. These will be available for sale in several different configurations, including a very limited number with plate number coils. We also have a small number of club pins that will be available for sale at the show.

We are planning to gather as a group for a meal one evening at a local restaurant. Time and location to be determined and suggestions will be appreciated. I'm looking forward to meeting with our members who will be at the APS StampShow in Pittsburgh.  
--Ron Maifeld

### DAV Mailing Survey



If you received this July DAV mailing, please contact the editor and report if the reply envelope had any coils on it, and if any of the outer stamps (pictured) or inside ones were PNCs. Results will be reported in a future *Coil Line*.

## Readers' Letters

I was surprised to see the term “shallow valley” used in the July *Coil Line* to describe the die cut anomaly on the Avery Dennison denominated 41-cent Flag coil. I thought we had settled, long ago, on the term “knoll” for this type of anomaly. Are we, once again, introducing multiple terms to describe the same thing?

– John Himes #957

*Editor's reply:* Good question, which I reviewed with Frank Covey. We regret not heading off this confusion in the original article. (It described a coil's

“mis-slit” result, shown nearby.)

The printed web of stamps was shifted upward slightly when run through the horizontal cutting that separated this stamp's row from the one above and below. The bottom cut should have occurred in the middle of the “shallow valley” (left side) and “knoll” (right side) shapes to which the arrows point. In this context I used

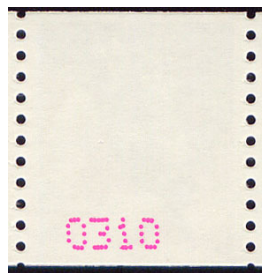
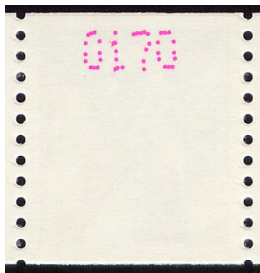


the two terms to label the **shapes** in the die cutting at left and right. However, what does one call the stamp variant itself, to refer to this stamp's miscut pattern, not just to a side's shape? Calling it a “shallow valley/knoll” type is redundant, since all stamps miscut like this must have a “knoll” shape at right if the shape at left is “shallow valley”. Hence, the article's title. For the name of the variant, use “shallow valley” to refer to the type of miscut stamp or the whole stamp's pattern. By convention, these variant types are named for the shape found on the left

side. This allows the “knoll” stamp variant to refer to those with the shapes reversed: The knoll is at left and the shallow valley is at right.

For more information on Avery die cuts, purchase the PNC<sup>3</sup> publication Avery Dennison Die Cut Varieties. The cost for PNC<sup>3</sup> members is \$11.50 postpaid from Andrew M. Jakes, 2303 Horseshoe Ct., Grayslake, IL 60030-9327.

## Back Numbers on Star Flag by Frank Covey



Shown above are 4-digit pink top, middle and bottom back numbers found on the 44¢ water-activated gummed Star Flag from Sennett Security Products (PNC ID 2009-4). These numbers occur every ten stamps on the back of the coil (added for users to tell how many stamps remain in a coil roll). Note the size of the font can vary with each new roll. Back numbers are put on the printing press paper spool (web) before it is slit into rows to be coiled.

One print head prints **both** the “bottom” type number on one stamp and the “top” number of the stamp below it before advancing. Since an odd number of rows span the web, one of the print heads only prints a single back number instead of two. This shows up as a “middle” back number because it is neither at the top nor the bottom. To be considered a middle back number, the number must be more than the height of the font away from either the top or the bottom of the coil. *(please see page 122)*



# Editor's Message

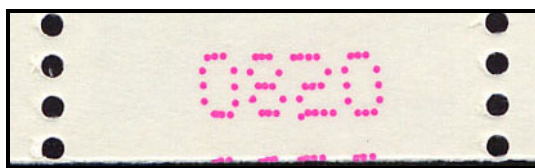
## FROM THE EDITOR . . .

I can't believe how fast this year is going by. After a successful PNC<sup>3</sup> auction this past March, it's now time to think about our next auction in October. The deadline for consigning lots is just weeks away, August 20<sup>th</sup>. So, review your duplicate PNCs and make copies of the lot sheet from the inside wrapper.

If selling by auction is not your preference, or you are still looking for that special or offbeat item, have you placed any of your free classified ads? Each member can place two 50-word ads without cost annually. As this issue shows, the classifieds have room for more participation of both free and paid ads.

Post office consolidations and cutbacks in hours open were in the news recently. My post office, next to a regional mall, as of July 18<sup>th</sup> is no longer open on Saturdays. And instead of operating from 8:30 am to 5 pm during the week, it now opens at 10. As the economic downturn continues, its impact on the use of the mails is of interest, as this affects which stamps and how many are issued. I'm conducting a survey about a recent Disabled American Veterans mailing (page 120), and I hope you can participate. --Ron Blanks

(from page 121, "Back Numbers on Star Flag")



Above is an illustration of a partial "double" back number from another Sennett Security Products issue, caused by a slight displacement between the printer and the web. One can see that the printing of the top and bottom back numbers by a single print head are very close to one another.

As described in the Catalog Corner for this issue (page 124), the S111 plate number interval is 31 stamps (an odd number), so the plate number location moves rightward one stamp in relation to the back number with each next plate numbered strip in a row. Back number collectors sometimes save plate number strips showing a back number on each different stamp with the plate number centered. This method works for all strip sizes; i.e., PS5, PS9 or PS11. These are known as "back number sets". On 2009-4, only one roll is needed to get an "all positions set" of either top, bottom or middle back numbers. (please see page 127)

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# Reporting the Rarities

by Gene Trinks

Thanks to all of the members who have been attentive to the search for PNC rarities over the past months and years. The search has not produced many new results lately. As a result, when Editor Ron Blanks asked if we could put this report on hold last month because he had a lot of other content, I did not hesitate to agree. A while back I decided to provide this report quarterly instead of bi-monthly, but it would now seem sufficient to do it at four-month intervals. So look for the next report in the December issue.

The only reports I've had since the April column have been for the Atlas V13222 (2 used copies) and the Egret V3211 PV die (1 used copy). This is the smallest count increase since I started this column in 2004. Hence, this revision in the frequency of updates to the published data will free up space for other articles of interest to members. Should a major find or a quantity of new reports come in, I'll get the news out in a smaller format. Meanwhile, keep searching.

The revised list therefore stands as follows:

PNC Issue	PNC ID	Scott No.	Mint Single	Mint P/S 5	Used Single	On Cover
32¢ Flag over Porch ('Famous Five')						
66666 10/11 die	1996-8.221	2915A	--	--	20	2
66666 12/11 die	1996-8.241	2915C	--	--	4	2
78777 10/10 die	1996-8.211	2915A	--	8	68	5
88888 11/12 die	1996-8.252	2915C	--	--	4	--
13231A 10/10 VP die	1996-8.212	2915A	6	8	53	14
(5¢) Avery Mountain V333342 13L/12R die	1996-10.211	2904A	--	--	21	3
V333343 round corner die	1996-10.211	2904A	--	--	4	--
(5¢) BEP Mountain #1111 9/10 die	1997-1.22	2904B	2	4	15	2
(25¢) Diner #22211 round shoulder die	1998-7.21	3208A	--	--	91	7
(10¢) Green Bike #444 square shoulder die	1998-4.22	3228	--	--	30	4
(10¢) Egl&Shld STD#11111 rnd shoulder die	1998-15.1111	3271	1	6	12	4
(10¢) Atlas V13222	2003-9	3770	--	--	53	2
V21113	2003-9	3770	--	--	3	--
V21211 tagged	2003-9	3770	--	--	2	1
37¢ Snowy Egret V2121 VP die	2003-8	3829	--	--	25	1
V2121 PV die	2003-8	3829	--	--	1	--
V3211 VP die	2003-8	3829	--	--	44	3
V3211 PV die	2003-8	3829	--	--	6	2

If you have a new find to report, please send a report to me at 16415 W. Desert Wren Ct., Surprise, AZ 85374. My e-mail address is [gctrinks@cox.net](mailto:gctrinks@cox.net). Send a scan, too, if you have the capability. Many thanks to all members who have reported in the past. Keep up the good work!!



The 44¢ gummed Star Flag from Sennett Security Products went on sale nationwide on May 1, 2009 in rolls of 3,000.

The S111 plate number in the lower right corner repeats every 31 stamps along the roll.

Since vending of water-activated gummed (WAG) coils is being eliminated nationwide, some Stamp Distribution Offices (SDOs) do not stock these 3K rolls as they have no need for the product.

Four-digit pink back numbers are found every 10 stamps along the back of the roll. Top, bottom and middle back numbers are known. Only about two rolls in 50 have middle back numbers.

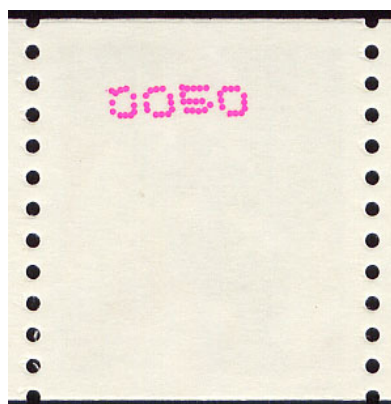
“USPS” is microprinted at the top-right apex of the red stripe closest to “44”.

Seam lines can sometimes be found at the left edge of the stamp left of the plate numbered stamp.

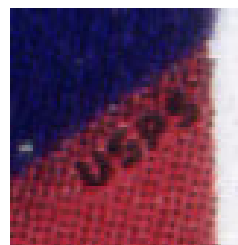
**44¢ Star Flag (SSP) (WAG)  
Plate S111  
PNC ID 2009-4**



← S111  
Plate Number



← Middle  
Back  
Number  
0050



USPS  
Microprinting

Seam Line ↓

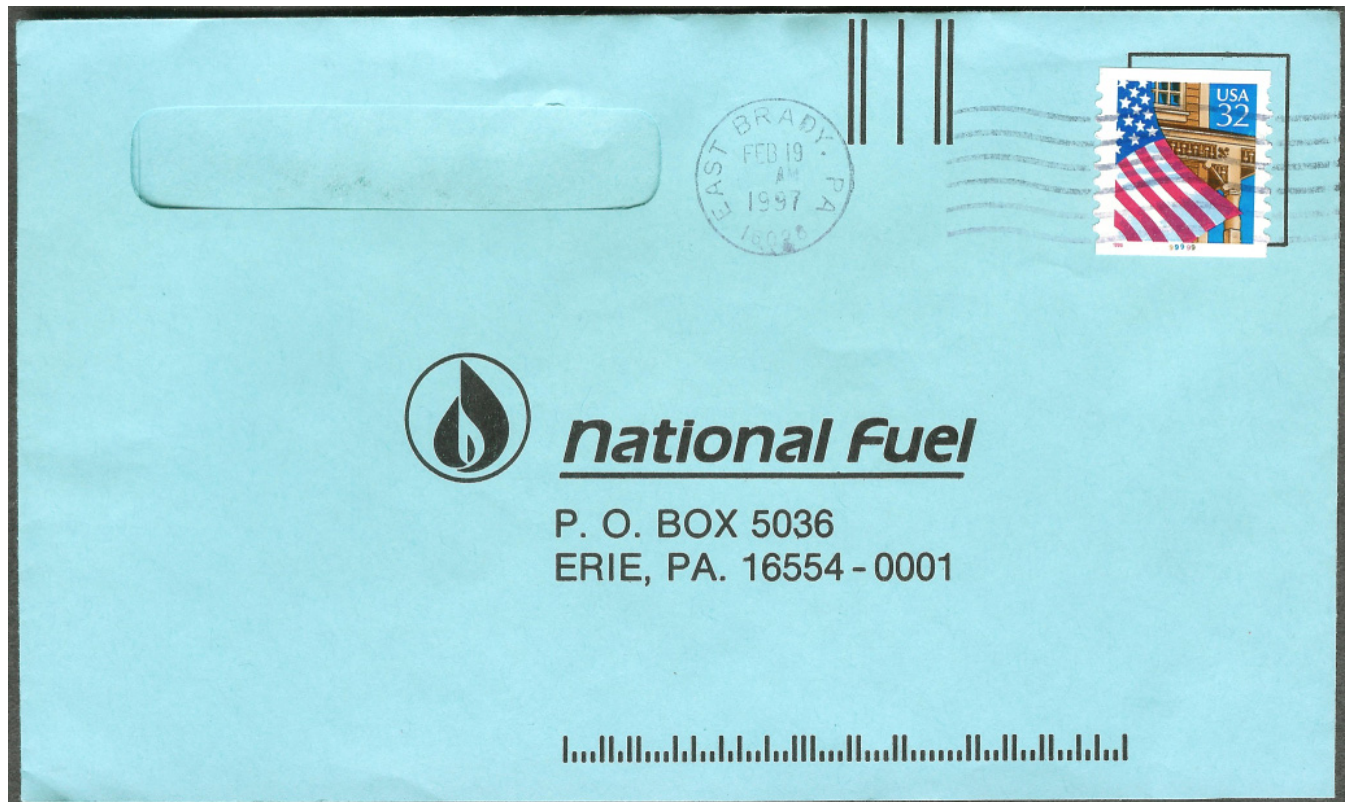




# Cover of the Month

By Rob Washburn

## 32¢ Flag over Porch PNC with Purple Machine Cancel



The above cover features a 32¢ Flag #99999 (10/10) PNC tied by a 2/19/97 East Brady, PA purple machine cancel (PMC). It is a new discovery and is the only known usage so far of this PNC tied by a PMC.

If you have a scarce, interesting, unusual, or out-of-the-ordinary PNC Cover you would like to share with *Coil Line* readers, please send it to: Rob Washburn, PO Box 840, Skowhegan, ME, 04976. (207) 474-8021. Please include your name, address and phone number, for a prompt return of the cover.

However, if you have scanning ability, you might prefer to email a scan (please scan at 600 dpi, as a jpg file), rather than mail your cover, to Rob at: [stamps@beeline-online.net](mailto:stamps@beeline-online.net). (Please also send a file of the scan to the editor at [coillineeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:coillineeditor@yahoo.com)).

# Current Plate Numbers, Roll Sizes, Tagging & Die Cuts

## === KEY ===

**Roll Size:** E = 50, A = 100, B = 500, C = 3000, D = 10,000

\* **NEW NUMBER OR VARIETY**

\*\*\* **DATA IS TENTATIVE**

[xx] - plate number interval  
 BK - Block Tag  
 EP - Embedded Phosphor  
 SP-S - Surface Phosphor, Smooth appearance  
 SP-U - Surface Phosphor, Uneven or grainy appearance  
 OA - Overall Tag  
 un - untagged

Water-Activated (WA) if shaded; otherwise, Self-Adhesive (SA).

Plate number intervals are shown in brackets [ ] following the plate number(s) and roll size(s), followed by die-cut types on self-adhesive stamps:

PV = Peak/Valley VP = Valley/Peak  
 PP = Peak/Peak S = Serpentine Die Cuts with no transition.  
 Tagging is listed within ( ). Note some #'s have varieties.

## PRINTER PLATE NUMBER PREFIX LETTERS

A - American Bank Note	P - Ashton Potter
B - Banknote Corp. of America	S - Sennett Security Prod.
G - Guilford Gravure	V - Avery-Dennison
M - 3M	None - BEP

44¢ FLAG (SP-S)  
 #V1111 A [20] VP, PV

44¢ FLAG (SP-S)  
 #S111 A [31] VP

44¢ FLAG (SP-S) \*  
 #P1111 A [31] VP

44¢ FLAG (SP-S)  
 #S111 C [31]

44¢ FLAG (OA)  
 Rounded Corners  
 #V1111 C, D [16] VP

26¢ PANTHER (SP-S, SP-U)  
 S1111 A [31] VP

27¢ TROPICAL FRUIT (SP-S)  
 #V1111111 A [40] VP, PV

28¢ POLAR BEAR (SP-S)  
 #V11111 A [20] VP, PV

1¢ LAMP 2003 (un)  
 #S11111 C [14]

1¢ LAMP 2008 (un)  
 #S11111 C, D [31]

3¢ STAR (un, SP-S)  
 #S111 D [14]

3¢ SILVER COFFEE POT (un)  
 #S1111 D [14]

4¢ CHAIR (un)  
 #S1111 D [14]

5¢ TOLEWARE (un)  
 #S1111111 D [14]

10¢ CLOCK 2006 (un)  
 #S1111 D [14]

10¢ CLOCK 2008 (SP-S)  
 #S1111 D [31]

17¢ SHEEP (SP-U), SP-S  
 S11111111 A [31] VP

## (5¢) SEA COAST

#B111	D [20] (SP-S) VP
#P1111	D [22] (un) S
#P2222	C, D [27] (un) S
#P2222	D [27] (un, SP-S) S
#P3333	D [27] (un) S
#P4444	D [27] (un) S
#P5555	D [27] (un) S
#P6666	D [27] (un) S
#P7777	C, D [27] (un) S
#P8888	D [27] (un) S
#P9999	C, D [27] (un) S
#S1111	D [20] (un) S

## (5¢) SEA COAST (un)

#B111	B, D [10]
#S1111	C (Lum. Ink) [14]
#S1111	D (Lum. Ink) [14]
#S11111	B [31]

## 42¢ FLAGS 24/7 (SP-S)

#P1111 A [16] VP

## 42¢ FLAGS 24/7 (SP-S)

#S1111 A [16] PV

## 42¢ FLAGS 24/7 (SP-S)

#V1111 A [20] VP, PV  
 #V2222 A [20] VP, PV

## 42¢ FLAGS 24/7 (SP-S)

Rounded Corners  
 #V1111 C, D [8] VP  
 #V2222 C, D [8] VP

## 42¢ FLAGS 24/7 (SP-S)

#S1111111 C [12/16 alternating]

## 42¢ FLAGS OF OUR NATION (SP-S)

#S11111111 E [10] PV  
 (Set 1, Set 2)

## (10¢) ATLAS (un)

#B1111	D [20] VP, PV
#V11111	D [10] VP
#V11222	D [10] VP
#V12111	D [10] VP
#V12222	C, D [10] VP
#V13222	? [10] VP
#V21111	D [10] VP
#V21113	? [10] VP
#V21211	C, D [10] VP
#V22111	D [10] VP
#V22112	D [10] VP
#V22211	C [10] VP
#V22222	D [10] VP
#V23113	D [10] VP
#V32332	D [10] VP
#V33332	D [10] VP
#V33333	D [10] VP

? = known used only

## (10¢) LION (un)

#S11111 B, C [14]

## (10¢) BANNER (un)

#S111	D [27] PP
#S111	B [31]
#V111	C, D [10] VP
#V222	C, D [10] VP

## (25¢) DINER (un)

#S11111 D [14]

## (25¢) EAGLE (SA) (un)

#S1111111	D (2003) [20] S
#S2222222	D [20] S
#S3333333	C, D [20] S
#S1111111	C (2005) [20] S

## (25¢) EAGLE (un)

#S1111111 C [10]

**New:** The 44¢ coil of 100 Flags from Ashton Potter arrived just after last month's deadline, and is included in the chart for the first time.

The 'KEY' box was changed Dec. 2008 to update the description of phosphor tagged stamps agreed-upon at the tagging meeting at the APS StampShow in Hartford Aug '08:

**EP** for stamps with Embedded Phosphor, and **SP** for Surface Phosphor stamps. SP stamps have an additional qualifier letter: '-U' for Uneven and/or Grainy, or '-S' for Smooth appearance.

Ashton Potter's SA Sea Coast P2222 was die cut with two different mats. One is serpentine cut on all four sides; the other has serpentine cuts only on the sides.

In printing the Sea Coast with cylinders P2222 through P9999, AP changed the cylinder size from that used to print P1111. Thus, the plate number intervals changed from 22 to 27. P3333 through P9999 have a small date and color order of BCMY.

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# Membership Update

## Deceased

John Wilhelm (483)  
Sioux Falls

Previous Membership Count	793
<u>Deceased</u>	<u>1</u>
New Membership Count	792

## Mailing List Available

Rental of the club mailing list is available upon request. A one-time usage fee of \$50.00 includes preprinted address labels.

Contact Dan Farrar, Secretary by email:  
[farrard2@sssnet.com](mailto:farrard2@sssnet.com)



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(from page 122, "Back Numbers on Star Flag")



Five-digit black back numbers are found on the 44¢ Star Flag (PNC-ID 2009-3) on both the 3K and 10K rolls with spaces from Avery Dennison. These appear in the middle of the liner paper.

On different rolls, the font can vary in height. Plate numbers repeat every 16 stamps (an even number) along the roll. Since back numbers occur every ten stamps along the roll, we call a given roll either "odd" or "even". On an even roll, a back number and a plate number can be on the same stamp. On an odd roll, the closest the back number gets to the plate number is either one stamp right or one stamp left of the plate number. For a coil stamp found in odd and even rolls, the two different rolls are needed for an all-positions back number set.



# 1¢ Tiffany Lamp Comparison by Frank Covey



3K



10K



3K

White paper  
line

10K

Dark line

I have only seen a partial roll of 1¢ Tiffany Lamp coils issued in 2009 in 10,000-count (10K) rolls, but have observed many rolls of the 3K 1¢ Tiffany Lamp (PNC-ID 2008-7). By looking at the images above, you might note several differences for yourself. On the overlaid images (left), the 3K image is on the top and the 10K image on the bottom. The 10K Tiffany Lamp has a brighter appearance. The white drop-out lettering on the 10K appears sharper. This is particularly noticeable on the 2008 date in the lower left corner. (The only example that I have from a 10K roll has the “2008” sliced in half.) *[Editor’s note: I received a report that 2008 dates in a 10K roll appear the same as the 3K’s and then shift to a sharp look.]*

The 3K rolls sometime have a white paper line between stamps 13 and 14 right of the plate number, while the 10K roll has a dark line between 13 and 14 right of the plate number *and another* between stamps one and two right of the plate number. These dark lines repeat at 12- and 19-stamp intervals. The S11111 plate number repeats at 31-stamp intervals and is brighter on the 10K roll. The Catalog Committee has not assigned a new PNC ID number to the 10K roll. Please comment to the editor on your discoveries.

Attach lot here

## Auction #41 -- Plate Number Coil Collectors Club Consignment Sheet

(Photocopy this page. A separate sheet is required for each lot.)

**\*\*\* August 20, 2009 is Auction Consignment Deadline \*\*\***

**Please Note:** Auction Lot fee is 10% of hammer price (minimum 50¢ per lot), and a 50¢ lotting fee for each UNSOLD lot (all fees deducted from the sale proceeds).

- 1) Keep this entire page intact and attach only one lot in its own glassine with tape on the top half (*do not use staples*). I understand that this might not be possible for longer strips.
- 2) LIMIT YOUR CONSIGNMENT TO 25 LOTS, please.
- 3) As I find that there is no totally acceptable definition of a commercial cover, all covers will be listed as either "First Day Covers" or "Other Covers". There will be no exceptions.
- 4) If you do not state a minimum bid, your lot(s) will go to the highest bidder regardless of the price(s) realized.
- 5) Bidding increments are: \$0.01 to \$4.75 -- 25¢, \$5.00 to \$9.50 -- 50¢, \$10.00 to \$49.75 -- \$1.00, \$50.00 to \$97.50 -- \$2.50, \$100.00 to \$495.00 -- \$5.00, \$500.00+ -- \$10.00

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Phone: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Scott # \_\_\_\_\_ Minimum Bid (see rules above) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of material:

It is assumed that all mint material is never hinged, with undisturbed gum, sound perfs, etc. If otherwise, please note under "Faults" below. Used materials are assumed to be unhinged with sound perfs, etc. If otherwise, please note under "Faults".

(For COTTRELL issues, please grade **both** design centering and line centering.)

Centering – Overall for non-Cottrell issues or Cottrell designs (see grading notes) (Circle one)

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Centering (line) Cottrell issues only (Circle one)

Ave F F/VF VF XF S

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