

DECEMBER 15, 2020





WHERE WAS I ON DECEMBER 7, 1941?

THIS COVER COULD HAVE BEEN IN HONOLULU ON PEARL HARBOR DAY BUT NO WAY TO KNOW FOR SURE

DECEMBER 7, 1941

IT'S A RIDDLE AND A LONG STORY

- ICELAND WAS APO 810, CONTRACT POST OFFICE OF NY PO
- COVER MAILED 5 DEC 41 TO HONOLULU
- 21¢ POSTAGE OVERPAID 20¢ DOMESTIC AIRMAIL RATE TO HAWAII
- HOTEL ADDED 20¢ STAMP AND FORWARDED TO KENTUCKY
- FORWARDING POSTMARK IS 29 DEC 41
- TRAVELED FROM ICELAND ACROSS ATLANTIC, ACROSS U.S.
 AND PACIFIC, THEN BACK ACROSS PACIFIC TO KENTUCKY
- WHERE WAS IT ON DECEMBER 72 NO BACKSTAMPS, WE CAN'T KNOW FOR SURE



WILKINSON, MN LAST DAY

OPENED AUGUST 4, 1904

CLOSED MARCH 15, 1854

WILKINSON, MN, LAST DAY

WHADDYA MEAN MARCH 15 ISN'T HOLIDAY RELATED?

- INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST POLICE BRUTALITY
- NATIONAL SHOE THE WORLD DAY
- IDES OF MARCH
- BRUTUS DAY (OF COURSE)
- DUMBSTRUCK DAY
- NATIONAL EVERYTHING YOU THINK IS WRONG DAY
- AND MORE...
- HANDPAINTED LAST DAY COVER BY WM. F. HINES, CASS LAKE, MN
- WILKINSON IS IN N. CENTRAL MINNESOTA NOW UNINCORPORATED



TONGA, THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS

QUEEN SALOTE REIGNS SUPREME

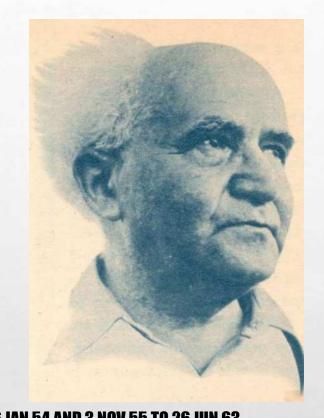


TONGA, THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS

WHY NOT QUEEN ELIZABETH?

PATH

- STAMP SERIES ISSUED ABOUT A MONTH AFTER QEII CORONATION IN 1953
- EIGHT LOWEST VALUES OF 14 STAMP SET
- QUEEN SALOTE (1900-1965) REIGNED FOR 48 YEARS
- ATTENDED QEII CORONATION, RODE IN OPEN CARRIAGE THROUGH THE RAIN WITH SULTAN OF KELANTAN
- FRIENDLY ISLANDS NAMED BY CAPTAIN COOK
- TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND PROTECTION (1900)
 PRESERVES INDEPENDENCE WITH BRITISH PROTECTION



DAVID BEN-GURION

ISRAELI PRIME MINSTER 14 MAY 48 TO 26 JAN 54 AND 3 NOV 55 TO 26 JUN 63





DAVID BEN-GURION

THE MAN COULD SIGN HIS NAME! **ON THREE DIFFERENT FIRST DAY COVERS**



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D. Pour-Jurion



CANCELED STAMP SHOWS 2020

COVID-19 DEFINITELY CHANGED THE LANDSCAPE









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COVID-19 DEFINITELY CHANGED THE LANDSCAPE

McKinley Exhibition Station April 5, 2020 Canton, OH 44711



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CANCELED STAMP SHOWS 2020

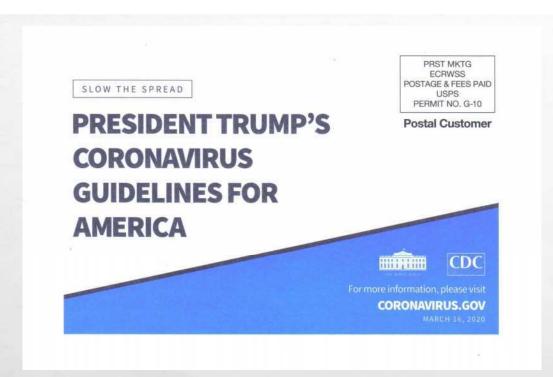
CANCELS FROM THE CANCELED SHOWS

- LINPEX, FEBRUARY 29
- SPRINGPEX, MARCH 23
- MCKINLEY, APRIL 4-5
- WILKPEX, APRIL 17
- DANEPEX. APRIL 25
- WESTPEX, APRIL 25



FRELIKH GAVE HIM A CHANCE TO STOP THE PANDEMIC

OUR MEMBER TAKES RESPONSIBILITY FOR NOT STOPPING THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 BY NOT WAITING A DAY TO OPEN



WE TRIED TO TRUMP THE VIRUS

THAT DIDN'T WORK EITHER

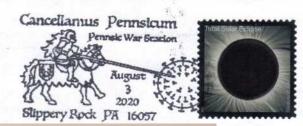


Rush aid today

MARZOZO

LIKE IT DIDN'T INVADE ANYWHERE ELSE!

OR WAS THIS SO WE THREW AWAY THE ENVELOPE?





THE PENNSIC WAR

SLIPPERY ROCK, PA

THE PENNSIC WAR

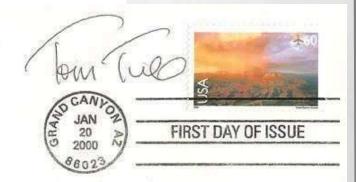
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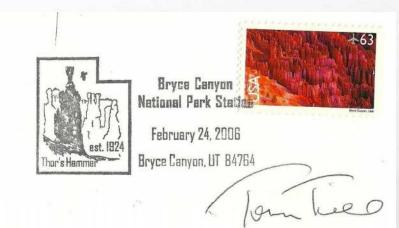
- SPONSORED BY SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM
- ANNUAL MEDIEVAL CAMPING EVENT
- BATTLE BETWEEN KINGDOM OF THE EAST AND THE MIDDLE KINGDOM
- MORE THAN 10,000 PARTICIPANTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD
- SKIPPED IN 2020 FOR COVID-19
- CONCERN WAS THAT MODERN PLAGUE MIGHT MAKE IT TOO REALISTIC



GRAND CANYON DESIGN FDCS

STAMP FD – GRAND CANYON, AZ, 20 JAN 2000 TOM TILL STATION – MOAB, UT





BRYCE CANYON DESIGN FDC

ST. LOUIS, MO, FEBRUARY 24, 2006 ALSO BRYCE CANYON, UT, OF COURSE

GRAND CANYON, BRYCE CANYON FDCS

WHY THE SIGNATURES?

- AUTOGRAPHS ARE BY TOM TILL
- TILL TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS USED FOR STAMP DESIGNS
- CREDIT FOR ACTUAL STAMP DESIGN WENT TO ETHEL KESSLER
- BUT IT WAS THE TOM TILL STATION, NOT ETHEL KESSLER!

UKRAINIAN CINDERELLA

ISSUED FOR UKRAINIAN BANDURIST CHORUS



UKRAINIAN CINDERELLA

WHAT ABOUT IT?

- DESIGNED FOR UKRAINIAN BANDURIST CHORUS, DETROIT, MI
- CHORUS STILL PERFORMS TRADITIONAL UKRAINIAN MUSIC
- STAMPS ISSUED LATE 60S THROUGH EARLY 80S
- COMMEMORATED UKRAINIANS, CULTURE AND THIS ONE FOR UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS
- SHEAF OF WHEAT IS SUBSTITUTE FOR CHRISTMAS TREE
- FUNDS USED TO KEEP UKRAINIAN CULTURE IN DIASPORA
- STAMPS NO LONGER ISSUED AFTER UKRAINIAN INDEPENDENCE

1988 Christmas/Noël **CANADIAN COMMEMO PART OF SET** CANADA

CANADIAN COMMEMORATIVE

MORE COMMENTS

- SET OF FOUR STAMPS TO CELEBRATE MILLENNIUM OF CHRISTIANITY IN UKRAINE
- EACH STAMP PORTRAYED DIFFERENT UKRAINIAN ICON RELATED TO CHRISTMAS
- MOST ICONS CAME FROM UKRAINIAN CHURCHES IN CANADA
- MORE INFO IS AT

HTTPS://WWW.STAMPSANDCANADA.COM/STAMPS-PRICES-CANADA-STAMP.PHP?POSTAGE=NATIVITY&DENOMINATION=32-CENTS&STAMP=1129&CAT=1



CHRISTMAS 1860

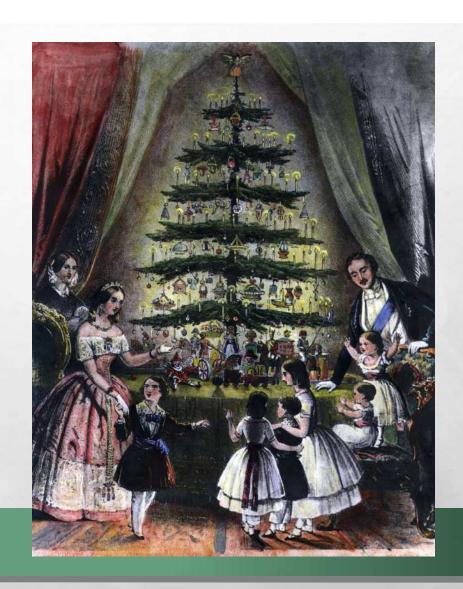
DRAMATIC READING BY THE AUTHOR

- ONCE THERE WAS A CHRISTMAS
 ANNO 1860, WITH
 ONE LAST CELEBRATION
 BEFORE CONFLICT WOULD BEGIN
- WAS A SPRUCE CUT FOR THE PARLOR
 OR PLUM PUDDING SET TO BAKE
 IN JOYOUS PREPARATION
 FOR THE CHILDREN TO PARTAKE?
- WERE THE RUMBLINGS OF POLITICIANS
 AND ABOLITIONISTS ALIKE
 TAKING TIME TO CELEBRATE
 BEFORE THE HAND OF WAR WOULD STRIKE?

- THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A POSTMASTER
 IN A QUIET COUNTRY STORE
 MARKING LETTERS AND PLACING THEM
 IN THE MAILBAG ON THE FLOOR.
- THIS LITTLE PIECE OF PAPER
 SOLELY KNOWS THE TRUTH
 OF CHRISTMAS, 1860
 AND WHAT TRANSPIRED IN ITS YOUTH

CHRISTMAS 1860

A STAMP, A PICTURE AND A POEM





Pan

Harel Jehon

LIBERATION COVER

19 MAY 1945 TO PLZEN, BOHEMIA-MORAVIA PROTECTORATE

Pexen na Hosuta 113



LIBERATION COVER

12 MAY 1945 TO PRAGUE, PROTECTORATE



Proho XIV.-Volm Kre Ma sporie fr. 124

LIBERATION COVERS

MORE EXPLANATION

- FIRST COVER OVERPRINT IN KARLOVY VARY (KARLSBAD), SUDETENLAND ON 3 MAY
- OVERPRINT INTENDED TO OBSCURE HITLER'S PORTRAIT
- CITY LIBERATED ON 11 MAY
- SECOND COVER OVERPRINT IN MNICHOVO HRADISTE (MUNCHENGRATZ)
- 5 MAY OVERPRINT WAS DATE OF LIBERATION
- GERMAN NAME FOR TOWN SCRATCHED OFF REGISTRATION LABEL



LIBERATION COVER

28 MAY 1945 TO URČICE U PROSTĚJOVA

LIBERATION COVERS

MORE EXPLANATION

- THIRD COVER ORIGINAL LIBERATION DESIGN
- FLAMING PREMYSL EAGLE DESIGNED SEVERAL MONTHS EARLIER
- PRINTED IN OLOMOUC (OLMUTZ)
- SURCHARGE FOR RED CROSS, 8 MAY LIBERATION DATE
 ADDED WHEN KNOWN
- LOCAL ISSUES LIKE THESE VALID FOR SEVERAL WEEKS
 AFTER PROTECTORATE ELIMINATED AS CZECHOSLOVAKIA
 WAS REUNITED







Mrs G. R. Breen R Ll. 1 Widdletonn, N.Y.

STAMP ART COVER

APPEARS TO BE WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL STAMPS USED TO CREATE BARN AND TREES

WATERCOLOR FOR BACKGROUND AND FOREGROUND

From one stamp collector to another - Susanne

STAMP ART CARD

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR MORE DESCRIPTION

STAMP ART CARD

HOW DID SHE DO THAT?

- "MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR" PRINTED ON CARD
- CANDLES AND HOLLY BERRIES FROM FIVE CENT AIRMAIL
 STAMP
- HOLLY LEAVES FROM ONE CENT WASHINGTON PRESIDENTIAL SERIES STAMP
- FLAMES FROM UNIDENTIFIED RED STAMP
- MADE BY COLLECTOR SUSAN KENNEDY IN 1950

WHY THE ODD DISCOLORATION?

CHRISTMAS STAMP ISSUED 6 NOV 1967 PRINTED ON WEB-FED GIORI PRESS





WHY THE ODD DISCOLORATION?

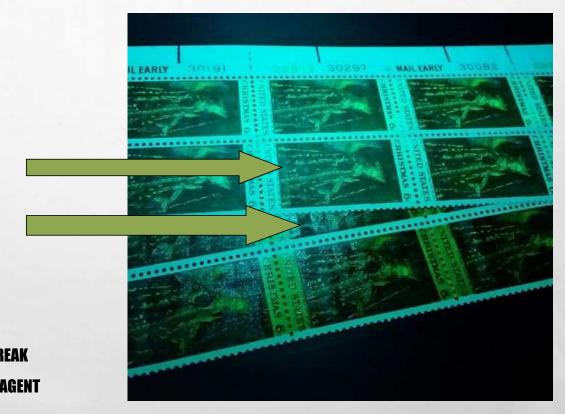
LOOK AT THAT HORIZONTAL BAND OR BREAK...



TAGGING EXPERIMENT!

STARTED IN MAY 1967
TAGGING AGENT CLEARLY SHOWS IN UV LIGHT





FINAL ANSWER IS...

TAGGING BREAK CORRESPONDS WITH DISCOLORATION BREAK
THEREFORE DISCOLORATION IS BREAKDOWN OF TAGGING AGENT



USS DES MOINES (C-15)

PRIOR TO U.S. ENTRY INTO WWI



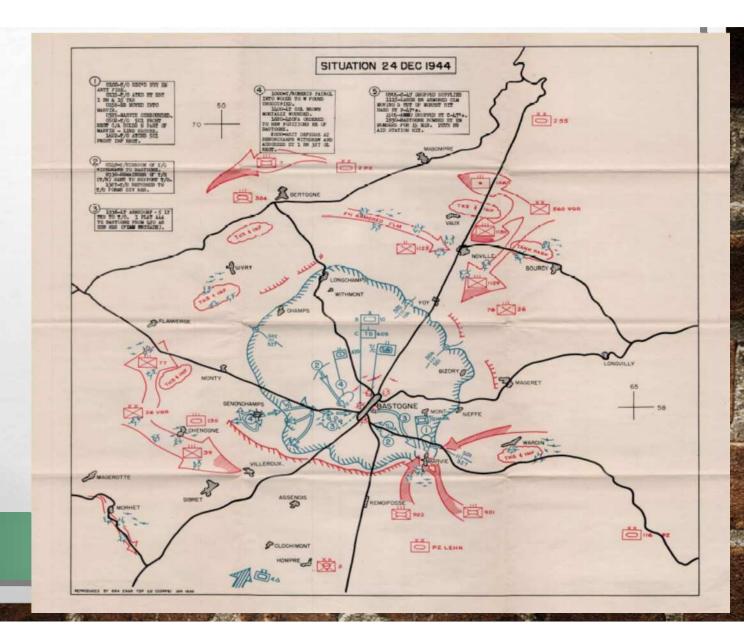
U. S. S. "Des Moines" at anchor.

Tompkinsville, N. Y.

POSTCARD PHOTO IS UNKNOWN DATE

NUTS!

SIEGE OF BASTOGNE BATTLE MAP FIFTH DAY





FROM WWII

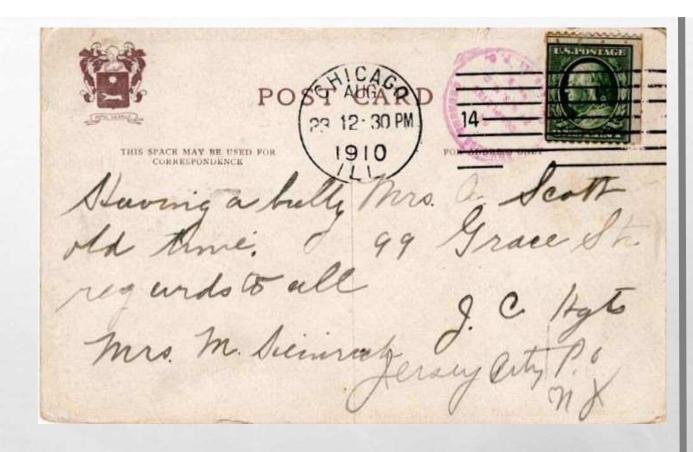
PRINTED BY CLUB MEMBER'S FATHER, AS WAS BATTLE MAP ON PREVIOUS SLIDE TWO OF A FEW OF DAD'S WWII SOUVENIRS



EGYPT STAMP CLUB

NOTE OUR MEMBER IN THEIR MIDST

FROM ABOUT DECEMBER 1999, TAKEN IN ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT



RARE COIL ON CARD

FROM PARKHURST VENDING MACHINE

TELLTALE SIGNS ARE THERE!

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CANCEL COMMENTS

ADDRESS DETAILS ADDED AT NIXIE STATION MAILING DIVISION IN CHICAGO PURPLE HANDSTAMP SHOWS WHERE IT WAS DONE (N.S.M.D.)



REAL RARITY - THE STAMP

NOTE MARKS IN MARGIN FROM PARKHURST VENDING MACHINE

PARKHURST ONE OF FOUR ORIGINAL CONTRACTORS FOR POSTAL VENDING MACHINES



PARKHURST COIL

FINAL COMMENTS

- MAILED AUGUST 23, NOT NORMAL HOLIDAY, BUT...
- DAY OF NATIONAL FLAG IN UKRAINE
- INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE SLAVE TRADE AND ITS ABOLITION
- CHRISTIAN FEAST DAY FOR NINE PERSONS
 - ROSE OF LIMA
 - ZACCHAEUS OF JERUSALEM
 - ET AL.



Welcome to the Christmas Philatelic Club website

The Christmas Philatelic Club (CPC) is a group of dedicated philatelists, specializing in all types of Christmas philatelic material.

The Club presently has an enrollment of over 100 members living all over the world. The CPC was founded in Harmony, Minnesota in 1969 by Kenneth W. Mackenzie.

APS Affiliate #74

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The Christmas Philatelic Club is a nonprofit organization with 501(c)(3) status-all donations to the CPC are tax-deductible.

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CHRISTMAS CLUB

PORTION OF CHRISTMAS PHILATELIC CLUB HOME PAGE

CHRISTMASPHILATELICCLUB.ORG

Subject: Re: Request for Assistance

Hello Ed,

Thanks for reaching out to the Christmas Philatelic Club. I do have some photos of covers that may be of interest to your club. I will send these in separate emails to you. The focus of these covers are town names related to Christmas, like Rudolph, Ohio. We have a list of these places on our website: christmasphilatelicclub.org The list can be found by clicking on 'about', then 'what to collect'.

Our club just celebrated our 50th Anniversary last year and we continue going strong. We have a quarterly award winning journal, Yule Log, that is filled with Christmas themed articles year round. We have just lowered our dues and would welcome new members that collect Christmas. Go to our website and check us out.

Always happy to assist a fellow Ohioan. I'm located just an hour north in Geneva, Oh. Merry Christmas,
Jim Balog
Christmas Philatelic Club
Secretary/Treasurer

CHRISTMAS CLUB

HOW TO FIND CHRISTMAS RELATED TOWN NAMES

EXAMPLE OF ONE WAY TO COLLECT CHRISTMAS PHILATELY

02831; Hope, ME 04847 Ivy, VA 22945;

Hope, MI 48628; Hope, MN 56046; Hope, ND 58046; Hope, NJ 07844; Hope, NM 88250; Hope, RI

Joseph, OR 97846; Joseph, UT 84739; Joseph City, AZ 86032; Joy, IL 61260;

Lone Pine, CA 93545; Lonepine, MT 59848;

Miracle, KY 40856; Mistletoe, KY 41351; Mount Angel, OR 97362;

Nazareth, KY 40048; Nazareth, MI 49074; Nazareth, PA 18064; Nazareth, TX 79063;

Noel, MO 64854 ...the Christmas City and Canoe Capitol of the Ozarks; Noel, VA

North Pole, AK 99705; North Pole, NY 12946; Notre Dame, IN 46556;

Orient, IA 50858; Orient, IL 62874; Orient, ME 04471; Orient, NY 11957; Orient, OH 43146; Orient, SD 57467; Orient, WA 99160;

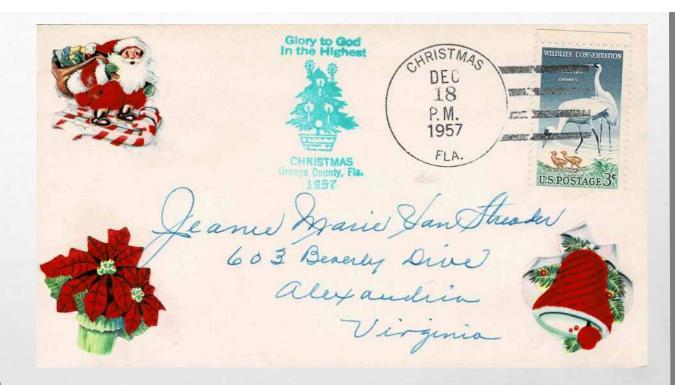
Pacific City, OR 97135; Pacific Grove, CA 93950; Partridge, KS 67566; Partridge, KY 40862; Pax, WV 25904; Paxville, SC 29102; Peace Dale Station, Wakefield, RI 02883; Peace Valley, MO 65788; Pine, AZ 85544; Pine, CO 80470; Point Hope, AK 99766;

Rudolph, OH 43462; Rudolph, WI 54475;

Santa Claus, GA, c//o 131 N. State St., Lyons, GA 30436-9998; Santa Claus, IN 47579; Santa, ID 83866; Santa Maria, CA 93454; Santa Maria, TX 78592; Santee, SC

CHRISTMAS CLUB

SAMPLE LIST OF TOWN NAMES FROM THE SITE



1957 SPECIAL COVER

FROM THE CHRISTMAS PHILATELIC CLUB ARCHIVES
OUR MEMBER PLUGS THE CLUB AND ITS JOURNAL



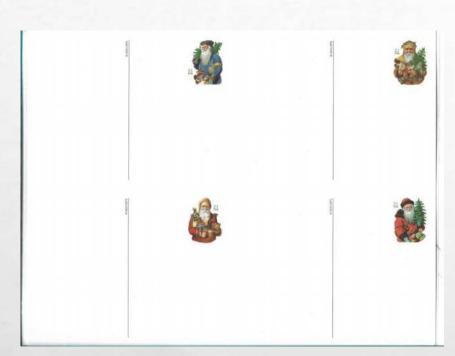
2000

CHRISTMAS POSTAL CARDS

AN IDEA THAT TURNED OUT TO BE TOO EXPENSIVE FOR BUYERS



2003

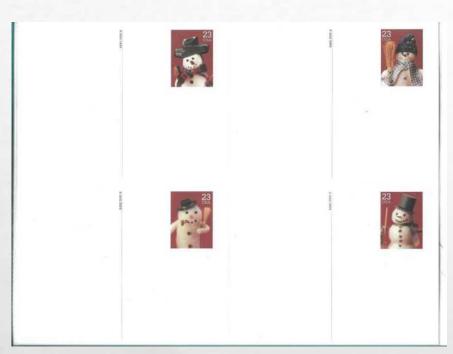


2001 SANTAS - 21¢

SOLD IN PACKET SETS OF 20 CARDS FOR \$9.25

\$5.05 OVER FACE VALUE







2002 SNOWMEN / GREETINGS - 23¢

SOLD IN PACKET SETS OF 20 CARDS FOR \$9.75 \$5.15 OVER FACE VALUE

CHRISTMAS POSTAL CARD SHEETLETS

FINAL COMMENTS

- USPS EXPERIMENTED FOR FIRST TIME IN 1989 AT WORLD STAMP EXPO
- SHEETLETS MEASURED 8.5" X 11" (LETTER PAPER) TO FIT IN NEW PC PRINTERS
- USPS HOPED TO PROVIDE CONVENIENT CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGNS FOR HOME COMPUTERS
- 2000 & 2001 PRESS RUNS WERE 500,000 SHEETLETS
- 2002 & 2003 PRESS RUNS WERE 250,000 SHEETLETS
- LIMITED DEMAND, PROBABLY BECAUSE PREMIUM WAS TOO HIGH

Fröhliche Weinachten buon Natale

с новым годом Merry Christmas

חנוכה שמח

щасливого Різдва

新年快乐

새해 복 많이 받으세요

veselé Vánoce

Feliz Navidad

明けましておめでとうございます

bonne année

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