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Newsletters of the Long Beach Stamp Club published almost every month throughout the year. Meetings are usually on the first, third, and sometimes fifth Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of **MILLIKAN HIGH SCHOOL, 2800 SNOWDEN AVENUE, IN LONG BEACH, CA**. Visitors are always welcome. Address dues, payments, and correspondence to the Club at Box 90042, Long Beach, CA 90809-0042 or our website www.LongBeachStampClub.com.

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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

ALL meeting dates include a combination auction and bid board. Scheduled meetings are as follows:

2013

JANUARY 8TH & 22ND

JANUARY 22ND ANNUAL DINNER

ANNUAL DINNER WILL BE HELD AT KHOURY'S.

FEBRUARY 5 & 19

MARCH 5 & 19

APRIL 2 & 16

MAY 7 & 21

JUNE 4 & 18*

JULY 2* & 16*

AUGUST 6* & 20*

SEPTEMBER 3* & 17#

* MEETING LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

MEETING WILL BE AT MILLIKAN HIGH SCHOOL

INSTALLATION DINNER

OUR Annual Installation Dinner will be held at Khoury's Restaurant, 110 Marina Drive, Long Beach, CA on January 22, 2013. Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Raffle tickets are now available from Lloyd Baumann, and will be available at the Dinner.

Raffle prizes for this year's Installation Dinner are as follows:

First Prize:	\$200.00	Gift Certificate
Second Prize:	\$100.00	Gift Certificate
Third Prize:	\$ 50.00	Gift Certificate

You do not need to be present to win.

All gift certificates can be redeemed from Coast Philatelics, 1113 Baker Street, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. Phone: (714) 545-1791. When calling, ask for Bob Chisholm.

Three additional prizes will be awarded at this year's Installation Dinner. The prizes will be awarded to the three members who have correctly answered the most Stamp Quiz questions.

Our program this year will include SONGWORKS, the barbershop quartet that sang for us last year.

All members who are planning on attending our Annual Installation Dinner – please make sure you turn in your money at our January 8th meeting.

LOBEX STAMP EXPO

LOBEX Stamp Expo will be held February 7 - 9, 2013 at the Long Beach Convention Center located at 300 Pine Street, Long Beach, CA. Hours are Thursday – Friday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm, and Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Admission is \$6.00 for all three days.

Please contact **LLOYD BAUMANN** if you can work the Friday night shift from 4-6 p.m.

ELECTION RESULTS

THE new Board of Directors will consist of the following members:

Martin Jadus Joe Miller Richard Janson
Art Luther George Rindfleisch
John Olsson Roy Bezner

STEVE'S QUALITY STAMP SHOW

STEVE'S QUALITY STAMP SHOW this month will be held on January 17, 2013 at the Anaheim Plaza Hotel, 1700 South Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92802. Hours are 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. Parking is free.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Norman Biehl Martin Jadus Ken Carter
Lloyd Baumann Jack Westerhout
Lee Dines Lisa Mills

U. S. RATE INCREASE

THE 46¢ first-class rate has won approval of the Postal Regulatory Commission. This means that the U. S. Postal Service is now free to implement a higher postal rate effective January 27, 2013.

STAMP QUIZ FOR JANUARY

ONE year after President Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth at the Ford Theater in Washington, a black stamp was issued to honor Lincoln's memory.

Can you:

- Give the denomination of this stamp?
- Find the Scott Number?
- Get the year it was published?

If you think you know the answer; please send it to the Club's P.O. Box or you can e-mail your answer to leb_dorbaumann1@verizon.net.

{Answers must be received on the Saturday preceding the first meeting of the month.}

ANSWERS TO DECEMBER STAMP QUIZ

- Benjamin Franklin
- Authorized By Congress, March 3, 1847
- July 1, 1847

METHODS OF PRINTING STAMPS

RECESS — Line Engraved Printing (Intaglio Method)
The best and most artistic stamps including most of all U.S. Stamps have been printed by this process either through flat or cylinder plates. Engraving is a process through means of which a design is cut out of a metal plate.

During the process of printing by this method the ink flows into the crevices cut out of the plate. The normal level surface is then wiped clean thus leaving the ink only in the crevices. By pressure from the press the paper (which has been made damp) is forced into the crevices, picking up the ink. The result is that the printing will reveal only those mounds and lines of ink deposited from the aforementioned crevices on to the paper. The rest of the plate (or non printing area) having been wiped inkless, will naturally blank in the printing.

A line engraved stamp thus has a raised and depressed surface which can often be observed through a suitable magnifier under a strong light. It is often possible to feel the irregular surface.

STAMP OF THE MONTH

BRAZIL — Thanks to its business-friendly environment, low-tax incentives and free-market economy, Brazil is quickly becoming an economic giant and one of the premier economic power houses of the world.

The stamps commemorate Brazil's participation in the World's Fair held in New York City in 1939 – 1940. The subjects of the stamp designs feature the Victoria Regia water lily, a bust of President Vargas and a relief map of Brazil.

In addition to collectors who specialize in this country, this set is also popular with World's Fair topical collectors.

The Scott *Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue* values the set in unused hinged condition at \$299.50. These sheets sell quickly whenever offered, and they are well worth the full Scott catalog value.

