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Edmonds, (on hold)

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Everett Meeting

Wednesday, October 11th, 7:30 PM

- **This Month's Program - APS Circuit Books**

The American Philatelic Society has sent us circuit books for our October meeting covering collecting areas based on past requests by members and individual collecting interests.

- **Buy / Sell / Trade** - AKA: sell 'em if you got 'em, buy 'em if you need 'em

Most meetings also include **show-and-tell**, along with time to **buy and sell** stamps
[Edmonds meetings are on hold until further notice to sort out some how / where / when details]

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Dates for our 2023 meetings (2nd Wednesday at the Everett PUD)
10/11, 11/8, (12/13 dinner)

Steve LaVergne

The 20 books cover US revenues and other back-of-book areas. They also include Korea, Czechoslovakia, British Middle East, Bavaria, Latvia, Australia states, pre-1940 Germany, Balkans, US Washington/Franklins, Asia, 19th Century US, Greece and French colonies.

As for the Bavaria stamps, Scott says that while Berlin lies outside Bavaria, late Bavarian stamps were available, though not commonly used, outside Bavaria.

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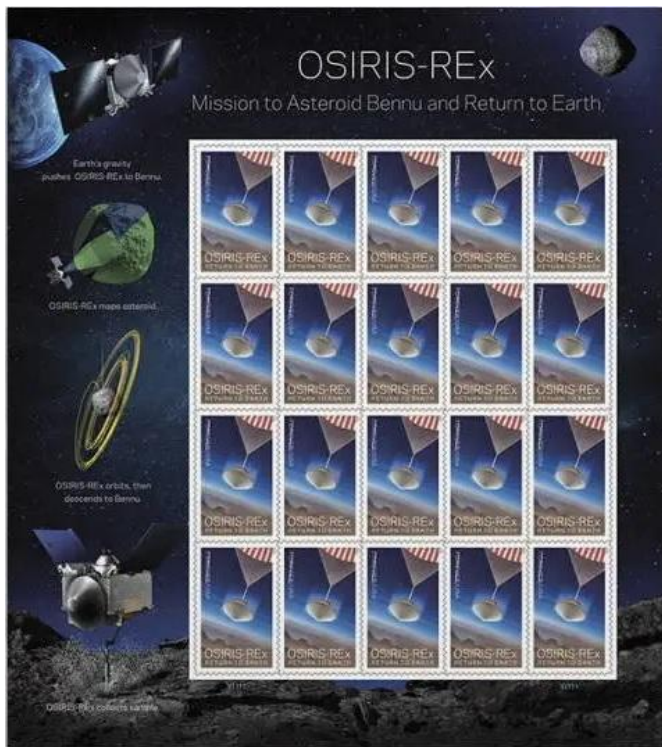
Speaking of libraries, the Shoreline branch of the King County Library has current copies of Linn's Stamp News.

The Olympia Stamp Society will hold its fall Roundup Saturday, **October 21**, at Columbia Hall, located at 6794 Martin Way East in **Lacey**. Simplest way to get there is to take the Nisqually exit from Interstate 5. You then turn right on Martin Way a short distance east.



To help celebrate this engineering and scientific achievement, the U.S. Postal Service issued a commemorative stamp featuring an artist's impression of the sample capsule as it parachutes to Earth over its landing site on the Department of Defense's Utah Test and Training Range.

Although OSIRIS-REx has already had many scientific accomplishments, at its heart, the mission's research goals circle around the sample delivery from Bennu. That influenced the Postal Service's decision to select the capsule's descent as the subject of the new stamp.



(A pane of 20 OSIRIS-REx commemorative stamps, released by the Postal Service on Sept. 22, 2023. Artwork highlights the mission's defining moments, including the sample capsule's final descent over the Department of Defense's Utah Test and Training Range.)

That being said, “There are these other aspects of the mission that are very important,” said Antonio Alcalá, the Postal Service art director, aspects like mapping the asteroid’s surface, targeting the ideal sample collection site, and retrieving the sample. So, to compensate for the small canvas size of an individual stamp, Alcalá decided to depict these other mission milestones in the full pane’s accompanying artwork.

"It's a very nice visual shorthand," said Daniel Gallagher, a multimedia producer at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland. Gallagher

As a member of the 2023 stamp class, OSIRIS-REx will share the spotlight with a collection celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Endangered Species Act and a tribute to the career of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the late U.S. Supreme Court justice.

By enabling scientists to study such well-preserved rocks and dust from an asteroid – which are older than the most ancient Earth rocks – OSIRIS-REx may help answer fundamental questions: Where did we come from? How did life originate? Why is Earth a habitable planet?

The material collected by OSIRIS-REx will be carefully curated and shared with scientists around the globe. A portion of the sample will also be preserved for future generations of researchers to study it with fresh insights and the latest technologies.

“At the end of the day, OSIRIS-REx’s true impact is on that next generation,” said Lauretta. “We’ve already trained so many leaders, broad thinkers, and visionaries that are coming out of this program. The payback to the nation is incalculable.”

The value of the research OSIRIS-REx enables may be incalculable, as Lauretta said, but the OSIRIS-REx stamp on the other hand will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail 1 ounce price.