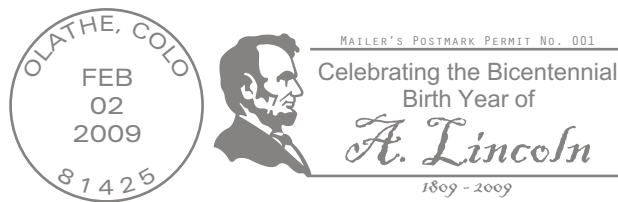


**POSTMARKS
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Abraham Lincoln Pictorial MPP First Day of Use: February 02, 2009

Celebrating the Abraham Lincoln bicentennial year, this pictorial MPP postmark is the first new design for The Olathe Poste in 2009. The handsome collectible postmark served double-duty on February 9th, cancelling both the USPS Abraham Lincoln commemorative postage stamps (as an un-official first day city) and, a separate Lincoln commemorative stamp issued by our International Local Post on the same day.

The postmark was used all month long on all mailings from The Olathe Poste during the month of February and, sporadically throughout the year.

MPP Design No. 054



4 Line First Day of Issue Postmark

First Day of Use: February 28, 2009

To simulate the common, USPS First Day of Issue postmark employed on many U. S. postal issues each year. The Olathe Poste' MPP version serves as yet another un-official first day city cancel on new USPS postage stamps and, for local post or other new stamp issues published by The Olathe Poste as a manufacturer of fine stamps... the philatelic kind.

Contrary to most of our MPP first day uses, this first day of issue postmark was first used on a new stamp release of the International Local Post, commemorating the devastation of uncontrolled wild fires in Australia during the month of February 2009.

MPP Design No. 055



Pictorial CDS MPP with Native American Deer Pictograph
First Day of Use: March 02, 2009

Created primarily for a first day of issue cancellation, this design was intended for limited use. Postmark tied our International Local Post stamp of a North American Mule Deer buck to first day covers.

MPP Design No. 056



Patriotic Eagle ~ 'In God We Trust' CDS
First Day of Use: September 15, 2009

After a six month period of design inactivity this year, it was time for a new postmark. Having already issued a new stamp commemorating the eighth anniversary of America's tragic events of September 11th, 2001 and with Veterans Day looming, a patriotic offering for collectors seemed fitting.

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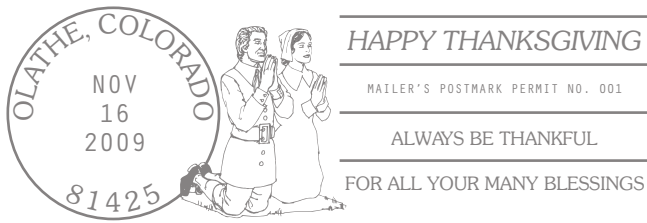


Aviation Topical: Par Avion CDS First Day of Use: September 20, 2009

As an avid fan of anything that flies and because a friend of ours had the opportunity to attend the annual Reno (NV) air races. An aviation related postmark just seemed to be an appropriate addition to our selection of pictorial cancels. The postmark sports a World War II era P40 fighter plane, complete with the proper markings of the Flying Tigers fighter group that made the P40 famous.

On it's first day of use, the postmark cancelled a few special "Reno Air Race" covers created for our friend and, on 160 or so postcards created on the behalf of the Mailer's Postmark Permit Club to promote the group and concept of cancelling one's own mail.

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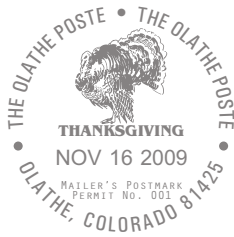


Happy Thanksgiving Pictorial: Always Be Thankful First Day of Use: November 16, 2009

Holidays, like birthdays, are very special around The Olathe Poste. However, one holiday – Thanksgiving – seemed to be without a special cancel of it's own.

To keep with the purest tradition of the Thanksgiving holiday, a drawing of a Pilgrim couple praying to God for their safe passage to the new world, and the bounties afforded them by both, was the obvious choice for the pictorial image. The message: “Always be thankful for all your many blessings,” we think, has more validity today than ever!

MPP Design No. 059



Thanksgiving Turkey Pictorial CDS First Day of Use: November 16, 2009

Many folks today still associate Thanksgiving with the traditional turkey dinner. So having overlooked the Thanksgiving holiday for a number of years, a second postmark seemed to be called for.

It should also be noted here for posterity sake, that both Thanksgiving holiday postmarks (#59 and #60) released the same day, November 16th, 2009, were inadvertently over-cancelled. We're not sure how all fifty pieces of FDU mail were accidentally mis-routed to receive the unnecessary machine cancel at Grand Junction, CO processing center. But it happened all the same. Collectors who might be in possession of one of these double cancelled items may, however, find their collections to be slightly more valuable some day. As it is a quite rare occasion that our mail gets mishandled and subsequently over-cancelled. The last instance occurred on May 10th, 2006.

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