



## Summer Seminar 2018

# The Washington-Franklins of U.S. Postal Stationery a.k.a. Circular Dies

A 2-Day Course Presented by *Bill Lehr*

Wednesday, June 27 – Thursday, June 28, 2018

*Discover the fascinating world of postal stationery and its place in history.  
Develop the skills for recognizing and identifying circular dies associated with U.S. postal stationery (1915 – 1950).*

### *Course Description:*

Move beyond the world of stamps into the very exciting realm of postal stationery. Chronicle the journey of circular dies, the longest running U.S. postal stationery series, beginning with the 1915 Middle West Envelope contract and ending with the 1950 surcharged issues.

During this two-day course, learn how to identify the various circular dies and the differing surcharges used on them, as well as, paper varieties, envelope varieties, and paper colors. Gain an awareness of numerous resources that provide details of U.S. postal stationery far beyond information found in the *Scott Specialized Catalogue*. Leave with an appreciation for postal stationery's importance in the study of philately.

Note: *This is not a postal history oriented course*

### *Intended Audience* (who should attend):

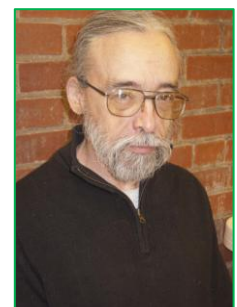
- Anyone interested in moving beyond the world of stamps into the exciting world of postal stationery and those interested in learning more about “back-of-the-book” material

### *To get the most out of this course, participants should:*

- Have a general concept of postal stationery
- Be able to use specialized catalogs
- Be able to use a millimeter measuring device

### *Participants will need to bring:*

- An inquiring mind (required)
- Millimeter gauge, magnifier (optional)
- Any circular die items upon which additional information/identification is desired



### **Meet Bill Lehr, Instructor for The Washington-Franklins of U.S. Postal Stationery a.k.a. Circular Dies**

Bill is the author of numerous articles on the subject of postal stationery as well as the ebook, “Collector’s Guide to Circular Dies, the Washington-Franklins of U.S. Postal Stationery”, published by the United States Postal Stationery Society.