## NEWS OF NOTE

## THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Each day, the Mystic Stamp Company publishes an article pertaining to a significant historical event that happened on that day and uses philatelic material to illustrate it. You can subscribe to these articles and receive a link via e-mail each day, or check them out on their website (*www.mysticstamp.com*).

These articles deal with all kinds of subjects and some of them relate to the Biology topic. The article for 17 January 2016 is an example. It describes the establishment of the National Forest System's only tropical rain forest located in Puerto Rico (*https://www.mysticstamp.com/info/this-day-in-history-january-17-1903/*).

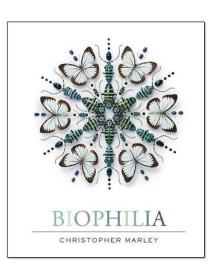
Each article is illustrated with images of stamps that pertain to the subject and have well researched commentary. Not only are these articles interesting reading, but they also would be helpful in researching information for exhibits.

Mystic has been in business more than 90 years and is one of the largest stamp dealers in the United States.

## **BIOLOGY RELATED ART BOOK**

Dick Roman reports that he received a recommendation from Amazon for a book that perhaps might be of interest to many of our readers. *Biophilia*, by Christopher Marley, contains some beautiful artwork. To quote from the literary description,

"Christopher Marley's art expresses his passionate engagement with the beautiful forms of nature. Beginning with insects and moving on to aquatic life, reptiles, birds, plants, and minerals, Marley has used his skills as a designer, conservator, taxidermist, and environmentally responsible collector to make images and mosaics that produce strong, positive emotional responses in viewers. Marley has a brilliant eye for color and pattern in different natural objects, and he expertly captures the deep relationships among them. *Biophilia* (literally, "love of living things") is a must-have for nature lovers, designers, artists, craftspeople, and anyone looking for visual inspiration in the arts."



## **NEW BUTTERFLY & MOTH CHECKLIST**

The 2016 edition of *Butterfly and Moth Motifs* is now available. This expanded two-volume reference is the tenth edition of this popular checklist. Altogether it contains almost 20,000 entries.

The butterfly topic continues to be very popular among collectors and stamp issuing authorities are taking full advantage of this to produce great varieties of stamps and souvenir sheets with this theme. This checklist contains a more extensive listing than those found in any other single reference.

It has a country-by-country list of postage stamps with butterfly and moth designs. It includes entries for all identifiable lepidopteran species, as well as stylized designs and drawings.

In addition, it includes an updated systematic listing that incorporates recent taxonomic revisions based on advances in DNA testing.

The cost for this spiral-bound edition is \$50 for US orders. Please inquire about shipping cost for International orders. To obtain a copy, send a check or money order payable to Jack Congrove, c/o Bugle Publishing Company, 5808 – 65th Avenue West, Tacoma, WA 98467. Sorry, credit card orders cannot be accepted.

