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The History of Native Americans Who Carried Colonial Mail the Focus of Postal History Presentation

Denton, Neb. — May 4, 2016 — Everyone attending the free-admission World Stamp Show—NY 2016 is welcome to attend a free postal history presentation, “Carriage of Colonial Mail by Native Americans,” by Diane DeBlois, co-editor of the award-winning *Postal History Journal*. She will speak 10:00 a.m. EDT, Wednesday, June 1, 2016, in Room 1E06 in the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, New York City. The presentation highlights the Postal History Society’s General Membership Meeting, which is open to the public.

The society will staff booth 677 at the show, which is open to the public 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday, May 28, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sunday through Friday, May 29 through June 3, and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 4. The society will share this table with the American Philatelic Congress and the Cardinal Spellman Museum of Stamps & Postal History. Postal history colleagues from the British Postal History Society will also staff the booth to talk about the expanding boundaries of postal history. At the table, show-goers may learn more about membership in the Postal History Society, connect with others interested in postal history, and enjoy a place to sit and rest for a few minutes.

The Postal History Society members at the table will offer information about the benefits of membership in the society, applications for membership, the opportunities to talk about postal history topics, and sample issues of the *Postal History Journal*. The journal’s most recent issue, dated February 2016, includes research feature articles on several topics: “Private Illustrated Wrappers”; “Testing a London Combined Obliterator”; “An Earlier ‘Overland Mail’”; and “Citizen-Soldier, Brevet Brigadier General John William Hofmann.” The journal received a Gold Medal at 2015’s CHICAGOPEX. Judges noted that the journal displayed “excellent diversity of in-depth articles” and “good geographic and chronological coverage.”

The Postal History Society extends an open invitation to anyone interested in postal history to join the organization. U.S. memberships are \$35 annually. Included in the members’ benefits is admission to all of the society’s membership meetings as well as a subscription to the *Postal History Journal*. The journal, published in February, June, and October, is an award-winning, full-color exploration of U.S. and global postal history that offers original research articles on all periods of postal history, reviews of literature in the field, and surveys of postal history offerings in other journals.

The Postal History Society will grant a jury-awarded medal to the show’s best postal-history exhibit.

The society’s Board of Directors will hold its meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 9:00 a.m.

The Postal History Society, founded in 1951, encourages the study of postal history—broadly understood—among more than 300 members around the world. More information about the society is available on its Web site, www.postalhistorysociety.org.

World Stamp Show—NY 2016 will be held at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, 11th Avenue at West 35th Street, New York. More information on World Stamp Show—NY 2016 is on the Web at www.ny2016.org.

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