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NTSS 2017



— by Jack R. Congrove, Northwest Federation

The American Topical Association (ATA) held its 67th annual National Topical Stamp Show (NTSS) at the Crowne Plaza Milwaukee Airport Hotel in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on 23–25 June 2017.

Show chairman John Hamman did a superb job of organizing and supervising the operation of the event. Attendance was so high that the organizers ran out of show programs and had to obtain additional name tags and registration forms when they expended the original quantity that had been prepared.

The show had only 16 dealers. Four dealers dropped out shortly before the show for various reasons. With the high attendance, it appeared that most of the dealers were doing good business.

The show offered a variety of presentations and other events including study unit meetings, a large youth and beginner area, a silent auction, and “What’s in Your Attic?” free stamp evaluations. In addition to others, there were six featured program speakers.

Barry Stagg, chair of the British Thematic Association, described the activities of his organization and showed highlights of his award winning exhibit on parachuting. The BTA publishes a neat quarterly magazine, *Themescene*. Annual dues for US members are \$35. See their website at www.britishthematic.org.uk for more details.

Edwin Andrews, a distinguished philatelic judge, gave a presentation on “How to Build a Topical Exhibit.” This is

a new exhibit category that is sure to be a hit with topical collectors. He illustrated his talk with his topical exhibit on Hats.

Jack André Denys, immediate past-President of the ATA, spoke about the legacy of Mary Ann Owens, former member of the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee and an early advocate for thematic exhibiting.

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This August in The Great Northwest seems to be all about the solar eclipse. Certainly I-5 and other routes got a workout with exceptional traffic volumes. Some of our Federation clubs and their members took advantage of this celestial phenomenon to prepare special covers and cancels.

Send me images of your covers and cachets celebrating the August solar eclipse so I can publish them in the next edition of the journal.

Plans are shaping up for SEAPEX, which will be held during the second weekend in September.

The show will have 30 dealers and more than 3,000 pages of philatelic exhibits. In addition there will be several special events. Read about one of them on page 18.

Big news coming out of the National Topical Stamp Show. Next year the American Topical Association and the American Philatelic Society, the two largest stamp collector organizations in the country, will be partnering to hold a joint show next August in Columbus, Ohio. This show should be the philatelic event of the year in the US.

Both organizations bring different perspectives on collecting and the variety should enhance the overall aspects of the show by exposing collectors to new areas of philatelic interest.

This issue also contains reports on some of the recent club shows here in the Federation. Any time your club or organization holds a significant event, please send a report (and some photos) to me so I can share it with the other Federation members.

Personally, I have discovered some great ideas from reading about the activities of other clubs that I have implemented at meetings of my own club. Perhaps you will find some yourself.

Newsletter editors, please make sure I am on your distribution so I can report your news to others in the Federation.

Also, please look at your collection and send me a couple paragraphs describing an item you find interesting. Club officers, send me news about your club's activities and accomplishments. I will publish this information in upcoming editions. **Input for the next edition is due to me not later than 15 November 2017.** Send to: jackcongrove@comcast.net.

— Jack R. Congrove, Editor

Answers to Philatelic Quiz:

1-J (Columbus Day), 2-H (turkey), 3-E (pro football game), 4-B (Brazil), 5-I (St. Lucia), 6-G (Mary Had a Little Lamb—Sarah Hale), 7-D (Mayflower) 8-A (Martin Frobisher), 9-F (cornucopia), 10-C (parade)
 Bonus: Gimmel's in Philadelphia

Executive Secretary's Notes

SEAPEX 2017

8–10 September 2017

Tukwila Community Center

12424 42nd Avenue South

Tukwila, Washington

Fri 10:00AM–6:00PM

Sat 10:00AM–5:00PM

Sun 10:00AM–4:00PM

Free Admission

China Stamp Society

Society for Hungarian Philately

Society of Australasian Specialists/Oceania

Youth & Educator Activities

30 stamp dealers

Stamp & Postal History Exhibits

Silent Auction

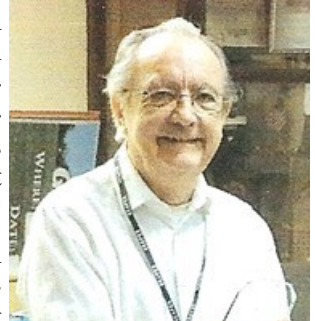
Meetings & Seminars

Free collection evaluations

UN Postal Administration booth

<http://seapexshow.org>

The Federation moves on. Join us in its activities. The second national show, SEAPEX, is September 8–10 in Tukwila, Washington. Join us there and join us in our hobby throughout the rest of the year.



In addition to SEAPEX, attend your local club, add to your collection, think about talking about it at your club, exhibit some of it at the regional shows within the Federation, and above all enjoy what you are doing. From our hobby we learn, we gain friends, we spend happy hours organizing, hinging, mounting, and looking for holes to fill. Then we start all over—organizing, hinging, etc.

The Thunderbird award, a green ribbon showing the nine areas of the Federation, is available to be awarded. It now has been distributed to three shows and has been awarded by two of them by the time this column appears.

Carol Edholm won the Thunderbird award at the Evergreen Summer Exhibition on July 15–16 for her exhibit, “Madras, India, Experimental Cancellations—An Introduction.” Laurie Anderson received the Thunderbird award at the Strait Stamp Show on August 12 for “Go For The Gold: Introduction of Women in the Olympic Games.”

A town meeting about the Federation will be held at SEAPEX on Saturday at 11 AM. Join us there and help us plan the future of stamp collecting in the Northwest.

— Larry Crain, Executive Secretary

Apple Harvest Bourse

23–24 September 2017

Inland Empire Philatelic Society

Hilton Garden Inn

9015 West Highway 2

Airway Heights, Washington

Sat 10:00AM–5:00PM

Sun 10:00AM–4:00PM

<http://www.ieps-stamps.com>

SACAPEX

4–5 November 2017

Sacramento Philatelic Society

Scottish Rite Temple

6151 H Street

Sacramento, California

Sat 10:00AM–6:00PM

Sun 10:00AM–4:00PM

<http://norcalstamps.org/events/sacapex-2/>

CALTAPEX-BNAPEX 2017

1–3 September 2017

Calgary Philatelic Society

British North America Philatelic Society

Calgary Hyatt Regency Hotel

700 Centre Street SE

Calgary, Alberta

Fri 9:45AM–5:00PM

Sat 10:00AM–5:00PM

Sun 10:00AM–3:00PM

Philatelic & Postal History Dealers

Seminars & Society Meetings

CPS Club Auction

both BNAPS & Regional Philatelic Exhibits

<http://www.bnaps.org/bnapex2017>

NTSS 2017 *(from page 1)*

On Saturday afternoon, the ATA held a special ceremony honoring her memory. The event was sponsored by Stamp Smith owned by Dale and Andrea Smith of Kansas City, Missouri. The event featured ice cream and cake and Owens's younger brother was on hand to tell stories about his sister and her collecting activities.

Norma Nielson from Calgary, Alberta, gave a seminar on "Using Genealogy Resource for Philatelic Research." This presentation offered many useful ideas for enhancing information about your collection and exhibits.

Dale Smith, the current President of the ATA, presented a class on "How to Remove Self-Adhesive Stamps from Paper." He demonstrated several different techniques. Personally, I prefer to leave the non-soakable stamps on a closely trimmed piece. There are some solvents that will remove the adhesive, but no one knows the long-term affects these chemicals will have on the stamps.

Your author presented a two-hour class on "How to Prepare Your Own Album Pages on a Computer." As expected, this class was quite popular and filled up the largest meeting room with more than 30 attendees. Based on the response, the ATA is considering offering this class again as a special seminar at NTSS 2018.

At the ATA annual general meeting on Friday, President Dale Smith and APS Executive Director, Scott English jointly announced plans for a combined APS-ATA philatelic exhibition to be held next year in Columbus, Ohio. The NTSS will partner with APS StampShow for one of the largest shows ever held in the nation.

Also at the annual meeting, Scott English presented national level recognition awards to three ATA members. See the story on page 13.

This year, the ATA presented its highest award, the Distinguished Topical Philatelist award, to Vera Felts. Vera serves as the Executive Director of the ATA.

The show had 165 frames of competitive exhibits. NTSS showcases thematic type exhibits. The jury was an international mix of judges from the US, Canada, and Mexico including Edwin Andrews (chair), Christopher Dahle, Thomas Fortunato, Alejandro Grossman, Elizabeth Hisey, and Norma Nielson (apprentice).

Phillip J. Stager won Large Gold and the Biology Unit First Award and Multi-frame Grand Award for "The Wonderful World of Bamboo." Bill Dipaolo received a Large Gold and the Reserve Grand Award for "The Gentleman From Pennsylvania." Fran Adams received a Large Gold and the Mary Ann Owens One-Frame Grand Award for "The United Nations and Palestine: 1947-1951."



Distinguished Topical Philatelist Vera Felts with her daughter Dr. Nicole Petty at the ATA Award Dinner

On Thursday before the show, a tour of historic Cedarburg, about 30 miles north of Milwaukee, offered visits to local art venues.

The photo below shows Curator Alexandra Piano of the Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts describing a quilt by artist Jayne Bentley Gaskins, one of the amazing award winning quilts on display. This piece is three-dimensional. The face extends about four inches from the surface. All of the colors are made by threads.



"Memories," by Jayne Bentley Gaskins

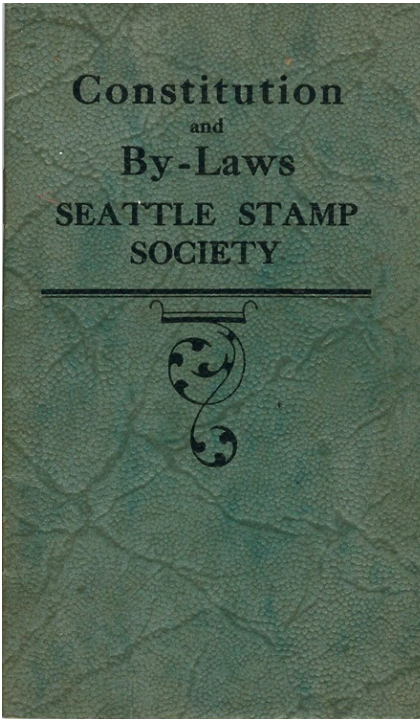
On Monday following the show, the ATA offered a tour of New Glarus. This village was settled by Swiss immigrants in 1845.

Northwest Philatelic History

— by Jack Congrove, Northwest Federation

Our former Chairman, Lawrence Clay, provided the pamphlet shown here. I have seen an example of this document before at an Evergreen Stamp Club meeting.

It is a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Seattle Stamp Society. The booklet itself is undated, but it contains a membership roster dated 1933.



MEMBERSHIP ROSTER 1933.

- 1 Henry Hitt, Box 863, Bremerton—BNA and Cancellations.
- 2 C. S. Ernst, 210 Crary Bldg., Seattle, —Greece and Crete.
- 3 John A. Dolle, 302 N. Eye St., Tacoma—Madison 2804—US and Scandanavian Countries.
- 4 E. R. Ashton, 1018 N. 48th St., Seattle—US.
- 5 K. D. Powell, 4046 Latona, Seattle, MEIrose 4568—General.
- 6 L. M. Ryer, 1932 E. Calhoun, Seattle, CApitol 1932—US Plate Varieties and Commemoratives.
- 7 Clyde D. Brill; Box 203, Tacoma, GARland 3239-M—Fenny Blacks, Brazil, U. S.
- 8 Dr. H. B. Hinman, Stokes Bldg., Everett—General, West'n Hemisphere, British, French and German Colonies.
- 9 Arthur K. Roberts, 1912 E. Blaine, Seattle, PRespect 2902—General, Monaco, Air Mails, Commemorative, Precancels, Covers, Charity and Poster Stamps.
- 10 Robt. Talbot, 3107 Walnut, Seattle, WESt 5808—General and Guatemala.
- 11 Francis Rotch, Fiddlers Green, Bellevue, EAst 4630—2c Columbian cancellations and varieties.
- 12 Karl Morgan, 404 E. Howell, Seattle, EAst 3434—Canada Mint.
- 13 F. W. Coning, 2103 9th W., Seattle, GARfield 4845—Commemoratives of all countries.
- 14 D. W. Lovgren, 2718 Queen Anne Ave., Seattle, GARfield 0779—General.
- 15 Marshall Miller, 4321 11th N. E., Seattle, MEIrose 3591—Precancels, Postage Meters.
- 16 R. Bartleson, 1018 N. 47th St., Seattle, MEIros 8316—South American used and Denmark.
- 17 Thomas Anthony, 2809 W. Lynn, Seattle, GARfield 3968—General and Blocks.
- 18 A. S. Olsen, c/o Seattle Hdwe Co., Seattle—Nicaragua.
- 19 A. W. Newth, 1631 16th Ave., Seattle, PRespect 4322—US, Airmails and Postage Meters.

According to the title page, the club claimed to be Chapter 70 of the American Philatelic Society. Clay checked with researchers at the American Philatelic Research Library and they could not find any record of this organization.

Some of the more seasoned members of the Federation will recognize some names in the roster.

Member No.55, Mrs. Frank R. Joy, was a long-time stamp dealer with a shop in downtown Seattle in a spot now occupied by Benaroya Hall.

Member No. 50, Deane C. Bartley, was a founder of the Washington Philatelic Society and served in several officer positions of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society and cachet director for the J.P. Jones Chapter (No. 2). The Federation named him to the Roll of Distinguished Philatelist in 1974.

Another club member whose name appears on the Federation Roll was Henry C. Hitt (No. 1). Hitt was also a member of the Society of Philatelic Americans and an expert on Hawaiian philately.

Member No. 2, C. S. Ernst, operated a stamp shop in the Crary Building in downtown Seattle. He also was a columnist for some philatelic publications. His son, C.S. Ernst, Jr. was Member No. 37.

If you know anything about this organization or about other members on this list, please contact me with the details.

- 20 S. T. Wilson, 2112 15th S., Seattle—US and envelopes, Canada, Ireland and Australia.
- 21 Ted Emerson, 2818 30th S., Seattle, RAInier 1565—Union of South Africa.
- 22 Phil Mulholland, 3711 37th S., Seattle, RAInier 4090—Bosnia, British Colonies and Foreign Covers.
- 23 Chas. E. Miles, 4711 Dawson, Seattle, RAInier 9673—US Blocks and Coils in strips and pairs.
- 24 Paul W. Copeland, 5016 19th N. E., Seattle, KEWood 3275—Syria, General and Historical.
- 25 E. C. Elfstrom, 8102 Latona, Seattle, MAIn 4197—US Commemoratives.
- 26 H. C. Jarvis, 6719 Seward Park Ave., Seattle, RAInier 1631—US and General.
- 27 E. A. Hatch, 2148 N. 86th St., Seattle, KEWood 2058—US only.
- 28 H. L. Quigley, 1700 Northern Life Tower, Seattle, SEneca 0031; Local 31—US Airmails, First Flight Covers.
- 29 J. P. Jensen, 1612 29th, Seattle, PRespect 5213—US.
- 30 V. J. Mix, 638 37th, Seattle, PRespect 0608—US.
- 31 Ralph A. Schoenfeld, 2639 Harvard N., Seattle, CApitol 0610—Washington State Precancels.
- 32 M. F. Johnson, 10728 Linden Ave., Seattle—Mint British Colonies and Washington State Precancels.
- 33 Hedley Nancarrow, 1736 Belmont, Seattle, EAst 2415—General.
- 34 James A. Urquart, 219 10th N., Seattle—General, S & CA and Revenues.
- 35 Thos. J. Byrne, Jr., 2220 E. 75th St., Seattle, KEWood 3892—Newfoundland and General.
- 36 John T. Clark, 1420 N. 50th St., Seattle, MEIrose 1425—US, Chile and General.
- 37 C. S. Ernst, Jr., 210 Crary Bldg., Seattle, —US Commemoratives, Italy and Type Varieties.
- 38 W. C. Lilley, 111 Virginia, Seattle—General.
- 39 E. Kastrop, 3051 Avalon Way, Seattle, WESt 8158—General, Covers and Cancellations.

- 40 Matt Parkkinen, 1412 Elliott Ave. W., Seattle, GARfield 1418—Finland, New Guinea, Pacific Islands and General.
- 41 T. S. Hill, Box 44, Seattle—US and Canada.
- 42 Herbert Schoenfeld, 2639 Harvard N., Seattle, CApitol 0610—Airmail Stamps, Covers and Labels.
- 43 H. D. Fowler, 3804 E. Howe, Seattle, EAst 5567—General.
- 44 W. D. Hagenstein, 1120 W. 61st St., Seattle, SUNset 0253—Germany and Colonies, Semipostals, US.
- 45 H. P. Nordstrom, 2021 -25th S., Seattle, PRespect 9623—Scandinavian Countries and General.
- 46 H. A. Jeans, 4734 2nd N. E., Seattle, MEIrose 6744—US and Colonies, Chile, China, Japan, Canada and Finland.
- 47 V. B. Staadecker, 1413 5th Ave., Seattle, ELiot 6232—General.
- 48 E. C. Kreuger, 10211 Aurora Ave., Seattle—U. S. Mint and Canada, Blocks of 4 and Sheets.
- 49 Jack James,Seattle.
- 50 D. C. Bartley, 6035 8th N. E., Seattle, KEWood 3356—US, Covers, Precancels and Cancellations.
- 51 R. W. Neelans, 1536 17th N., Seattle, EAst 8420—US.
- 52 Gordon W. Smith, 717 Ravenna Blvd., Seattle US and Canada.
- 53 H. S. Groat, 6123 Arcade Bldg., Seattle, ELiot 2912—Covers and General.
- 54 Mrs. D. W. Elliott, 5030 Orchard, Seattle—General.
- 55 Mrs. Frank R. Joy, 1308 3rd, Seattle—US and Precancels.
- 56 Mrs. Albert Fieldhouse, 2006 Ingersoll Place, Seattle—US and Covers.
- 57 Mrs. P. J. Dalton, 722 Madison St., Seattle, MAIn 6085—General.

Youth in Philately

— by Jack R. Congrove, Northwest Federation

It has been a problem for many stamp shows to find young persons to submit exhibits, even non-competitive ones, to display at their exhibitions.

The APS *Manual of Philatelic Judging and Exhibiting, Edition 7*, published earlier this year, changed much of the way exhibits are evaluated. First of all, it eliminated all of the old Divisions and established only three Classes of exhibits: General, One Frame, and Youth.

To qualify for the Youth Class, the exhibitor must be under the age of 21 as of 1 January of the exhibition year.

There are many awards available only to Youth exhibits. Sadly, these awards go un-bestowed at most shows because there are no qualified entries.

The American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors sponsors a Youth Champion of Champions competition each year in conjunction with the adult CoC. The Youth Grand award winners at each WSP show qualify for this event. A show must have a minimum quantity of Youth exhibits for the exhibitor to qualify.

The judging criteria for Youth exhibits assigns points in the same general areas as the criteria for adult exhibits. But the depth and complexity of the judging is less stringent and the weight assigned to each area varies depending on the age of the exhibitor.



Excited Youth Exhibitor with His Awards

Clubs can promote more youth participation by offering to help school groups, especially home school cooperatives, in order to encourage youth exhibits in their local club shows and involvement in other club activities.

Let us all do as much as we can to encourage more young people to try making an exhibit for one of the shows in the

Northwest Federation during the upcoming year.

Perhaps one of your young relatives would like to try making an exhibit.

Picture them like the young exhibitor in the photo above.

Criterion	<12	12&13	14&15	16-18	19-21
Title & Treatment	22	27	30	32	35
Knowledge & Research	23	28	30	33	35
Condition & Material	20	20	20	20	20
General Impression & Presentation	35	25	20	15	10

This table shows the point variance based on age. Note that younger exhibitors are judged more heavily on the design of their pages, while older exhibitors receive more points for the development of the subject and for research and study. Note also that all points for each age total 100.

Making an exhibit is an exciting challenge, but it will be a passing fancy for many young people. However, for others it may spark a life-long interest. Even for those who go on to other pursuits, the lessons they learn while researching, acquiring material, and assembling an exhibit will very likely help them with other studies and opportunities.

The hobby needs mentors who can help youth exhibitors by answering questions, guiding them in preparing their pages, and assisting them with gathering material.

Tri-Cities Stamp & Coin Show

30 September–1 October 2017

Tri-Cities Stamp Club

M Hotel

George Washington Way

Richland, Washington

Sat 10:00AM–5:00PM

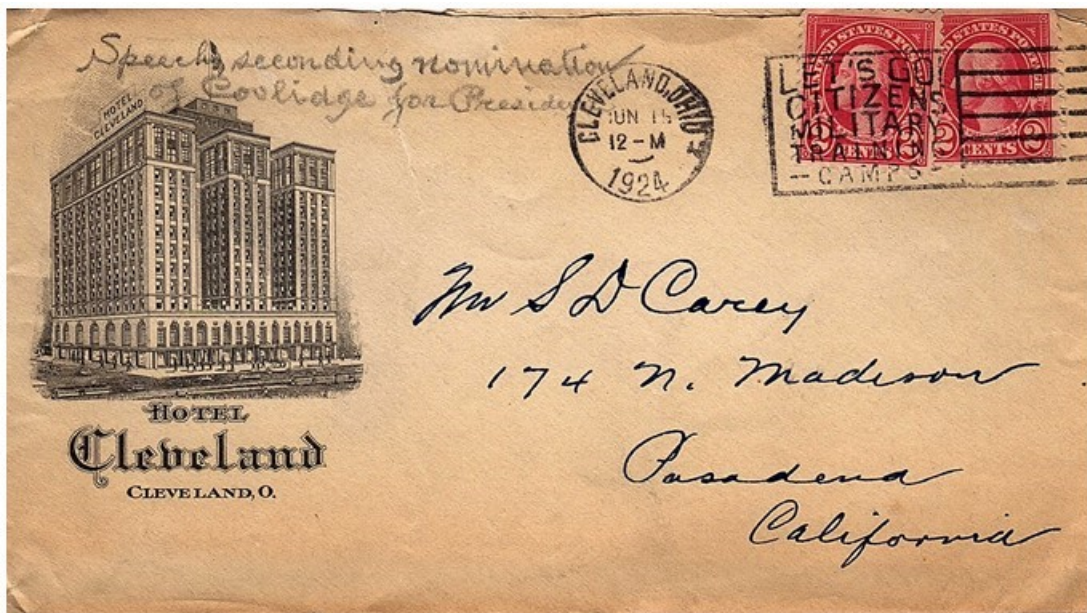
Sun 10:00AM–4:00PM

Free Admission

Free stamps for kids

Northwest stamp dealers

Charles H. Carey Cover



— by Larry Crain, Southern Oregon Philatelic Society

Politics and political maneuvers are behind the double weight cover mailed from Cleveland, Ohio, to Pasadena, California on 15 June 1924, which was after the Republican National Convention in Cleveland on 10–12 June.

The cover is from Charles H. Carey who was a lawyer and had been a Portland municipal judge in 1890–94. The envelope contained an edited copy of the speech Carey gave in nomination of Calvin Coolidge as President.

This was the first GOP convention to give women equal representation—national committeeman and woman. It nominated Governor Frank Lowden of Illinois as Vice-President, but he did not accept, to this day the only person to decline a nomination.

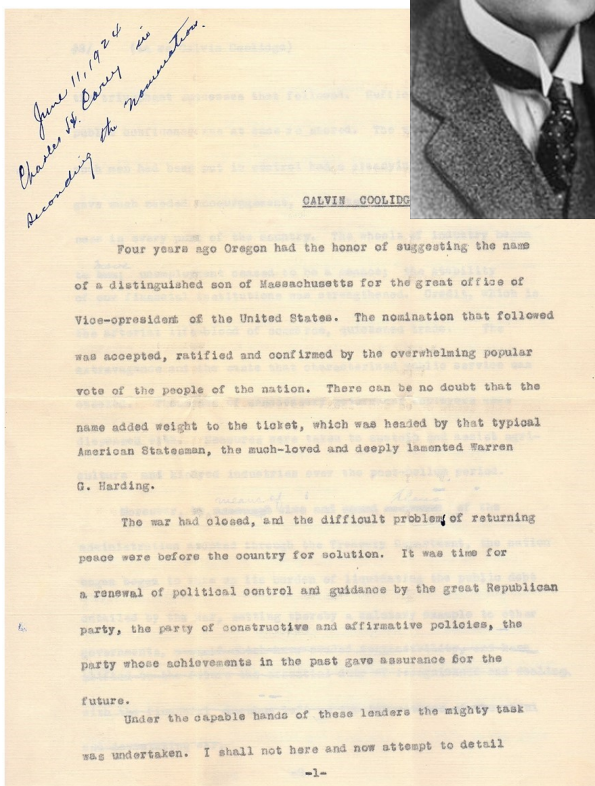
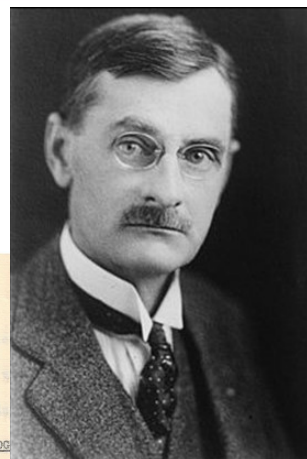
But the story starts at the 1920 Republican National Convention in Chicago. The party bosses in the original “smoke-filled room” had engineered the nomination of Senator Warren G. Harding for President, who won after ten ballots.

The behind-the-scene bigwigs then settled on another senator, Irving Lenroot of Wisconsin, to be the Vice President nominee. It was not to be because of Oregon. During the Lenroot nomination speech, Oregon delegate Wallace McCamant started a chant for Coolidge. When the speech was finished, he jumped on a chair and placed in nomination Calvin Coolidge, who won on the first ballot.

McCamant had been an associate judge on the Oregon Supreme Court 1917–18. In 1925, Coolidge appointed him to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals while the US Senate was in recess. When the Senate reconvened, it did not confirm the appointment and he served only a year.

Most of the bigwigs at the 1920 convention were senators. Hmmm. McCamant was the first recess appointee to not be confirmed by the Senate.

Wallace McCamant



Copy of Convention Speech

Evergreen Summer Show



— by Jack R. Congrove, *Evergreen Stamp Club*

It seems like each time I introduce the Evergreen Stamp Club, I also have to add that it was formerly known as the Boeing Employees Stamp Club. The Boeing club of course had been very active throughout its existence and was noted for putting on excellent stamp shows and producing interesting souvenir and event covers.

However, by now if there is anyone in the Federation area that does **not** know that the Evergreen club was formerly the Boeing club, I feel no further need to enlighten them.

The Evergreen club held its annual summer stamp show at the Kent Commons Recreation Center in Kent, Washington on Saturday and Sunday, 15–16 July.

The show included about 15 stamp dealers for the Pacific Northwest area and 26 frames of exhibits.



Philatelic Judge Dickson Preston with Ruth Caswell

The attendance was typical for the show. Despite contending with the lovely summer weather and also competing with the local Kent Cornucopia Festival and Parade that was occurring just outside its venue, it drew a reasonable crowd of collectors.

In addition to the bourse and exhibits, there were other activities to interest the attendees. Some kids were entertained at the Youth and Educators table. And Carol Edholm of Peafowl Philatelics offered a greeting card making class that made use of topical stamps.

Bea Vogel from Helena, Montana, won the Grand Award with her exhibit, “Spiders: Alien Creatures.” Richard Horner won the People’s Choice Award with “Easter Stamps of the World.”



Carol Edholm with greeting card students

Carol Edholm won the newly reinstated Federation Thunderbird Award for “Madras, India, Experimental Cancellations—An Introduction.”

First-time exhibitor Laurie Anderson won the AAPE and ATA Novice Awards as well as the Women Exhibitors Sterling Achievement Award for “Go for the Gold: Introduction of Women in the Olympic Games.”

The ESC will host two stamp shows next year .

The spring bourse will be on 21–22 April, and the summer exhibition will be on 21–22 July.

Both events will be held at the Kent Commons Recreation Center, 525 4th Avenue North, Kent, Washington.



Exhibiting Awards

Strait Stamp Show

— by Cathie Osborne , Strait Stamp Society

The 24th Strait Stamp Show was held at the Masonic Hall in Sequim, Washington on Saturday, 12 August. It was a day of good friends, **new** friends and lots of stamps. Attendance was higher this year than the last few shows.

We had seven stamp dealers with a wide variety of material for sale. The U.S. Postal Service participated with a station to sell stamps and help cancel covers.

Our cancel and cachet celebrated the 150th anniversary of the Canadian Confederation.



Strait Stamp Show souvenir cover with cachet and pictorial cancellation

The 42 frames of exhibits by ten different exhibitors were checked out by most of the attendees, and the winners were: Most Attractive: “Masks” by Julie Tarbuck, Most Educational: “Postal History of the Olympic Peninsula” by Chester Masters, and Most Unusual: “Anthropomorphic Chickens” by Anne Harris.



Exhibitor Laurie Anderson
Federation Thunderbird Award winner

Our Most Philatelic award went to Roger Heath for “Switzerland 1862-1881 The First Perforated Issue.” The Thunderbird Award from the Northwest Federation went to “Go For the Gold: Introduction of Women in the Olympic Games” by Laurie Anderson.

Eleven avid stamp collectors from Victoria joined us for the day, going home tired but laden on the five o’clock Coho ferry.

Club members, dealers, and exhibitors relaxed at the end of the day over dinner at Baja Cantina.

Our show is usually on the second Saturday in August. Please join us next year. Check our website for information and details: <http://www.straitstamp.org/>.

Ritzville Rendezvous

— by Anne Harris , Inland Empire Philatelic Society

On Saturday, 19 August, the Inland Empire Philatelic Society of Spokane and the Tri-Cities Stamp Club of Richland held their annual Ritzville Rendezvous in Ritzville, Washington.

This fun event included one speaker from each club, a lively floor auction, and a silent auction. These festivities were followed by a dinner.

This year, thanks to Jeff Willis, our vice president, the event also involved an historical tour of Ritzville led by Dennis R. Chamberlain, owner of Uniquely Washington, a store showcasing Washington products and history.

The tour included visits to historic buildings and the Railroad Museum. Ritzville has quite the history beginning with John W. Sprague, owner of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Ritzville, in the early part of the 20th Century, was the largest and heaviest grain shipping railroad station in the world.

Dinner at Jakes Café was really tasty, as always. The auction lots were good and almost everyone could find something to bid on. Everyone had a wonderful time.

Anyone is welcome to join us for our philatelic get-together no matter where you come from. We would be glad to have you.

Look for information on next year’s event in future issues of the Federation journal, or on the Inland Empire Philatelic Society website: <http://www.ieps-stamps.com/>.

2575 Plate Number Coils

— by Larry Crain, *Southern Oregon Philatelic Society*

At SEAPEX 2016, someone donated a tub of Plate Number Coil (PNC) covers. The accumulation has now been sorted and counted. All covers were from the 25c first class rate period. All were mailed to Seattle/Tacoma business addresses, but about four other states besides Washington were noted in the postmark. Here is the data (plate number followed by quantity of covers).

There were almost no production variations. About a half a dozen of the Yosemite stamps had a small trace of red in the field of blue on the flag. There were no other color faults.

There were a few miscut stamps—the plate number being just above the cut of the stamp, or the number cut into. The tally of these is: Honey bee (4), Yosemite (31), and

Bread Wagon (2). Ten of the Yosemite were on #3. In the few examples where the number was cut into, no part of the number appeared on top.

The Honeybee stamps showed the usual shift of the bee on the flower, to the right or left and up or down.

I did not determine the tagging on those that had different tagging.

The count of the PNC numbers gave no real surprises in the prices shown in my 2002 Scott Specialized. There were more of the Earth #1211 than the slightly cheaper #1222. Depending on the tagging, there could be more of the mottled tagging Yosemite #5 and the block tagging Yosemite #7 and #9 than would have been expected.

This tub will be offered in the silent auction at SEAPEX.

Stamp	Plate Number (Quantity)	Total
25c Earth	#1111 (128), #1211 (32), #1222 (7), #2222 (0)	167
25c Honeybee	#1 (31), #2 (345)	376
25c Flag over Yosemite	#1 (1), #2 (162), #3 (142), #4 (79), #5 (161), #7 (348), #8 (81), #9 (238), #10 (87), #11 (128), #13 (0), #14 (1), #15 (0)	1428
25c Bread Wagon	#1 (7), #2 (61), #3 (373), #4 (132), #5 (2)	575
22c Flag over Capitol	#2 (2), #3 (1), #5 (3), #7 (1), #8 (3), #2 (2), #3 (1), #5 (3), #7 (1), #8 (3)	25
20c Flag over Supreme Court	#9 (2), #12 (1)	3
1c Omnibus (1983 version)	#5 (1)	1
Total		2575

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Wheat Ridge: The Second Christmas Seals

— by Richard Horner, Evergreen Stamp Club

In 2016, I made a report to the Evergreen Stamp Club of which I am a member. It covered a brief history of Wheat Ridge Christmas seals. This is a summary of that report.

What became Wheat Ridge began in 1903 when 15 members of the St. John's Lutheran Church founded the Evangelical Lutheran Sanitarium Association of Denver, Colorado, to minister to Lutherans suffering from tuberculosis.

In 1905, the Association purchased 20 acres in Wheat Ridge, Colorado, for their first treatment center, a health farm. It consisted of 15 tents and the first patient was admitted on 8 June 1905. The tent colony was dedicated on 10 September.

In 1910, the Association issued its first Christmas seals, which were distributed through the Walther League, the international youth organization of the Missouri Synod.

The Walther League reported that the youth could have easily sold twice as many seals as they had been given, because the demand was so great.

After 16 years and expanding to 29 tents, the tent colony was wearing out. So, on 14 June 1921, the colony broke ground for a permanent replacement pavilion. The modern pavilion was dedicated on 7 August 1921, and the tent colony was dismantled. During its time, the colony had sheltered almost 950 patients.



Wheat Ridge Seal 1930

The Walther League formally took over the management of the sanitarium in 1927. More permanent buildings were added. On 23 February 1933, the Chapel of the Good Samaritan was dedicated.

In 1942, the Sanitarium Association adopted a new constitution that changed the title from “Sanitarium” to Sanatorium.” On 21 November, the Association established the Wheat Ridge Foundation to assist Lutherans in other tuberculosis sanatoria in the United States and Canada by providing funds for the purchase of religious literature.

In 1944, the Association established Wheat Ridge Foundation scholarships for Medical Social Service.

On 22 June 1946, the Association adopted a resolution to reorganize under the new name “Wheat Ridge Foundation.” The following year, the Foundation established a Medical Social Service program at the Cook County Hospital in Chicago, and in 1952, this became the Lutheran Family Service program.

The Foundation continued to expand internationally. In 1955, it established the Medical Mission Program with grants in India, Hong Kong, and Nigeria. In 1959, the Foundation organized the Lutheran Hospital and Medical Center and this organization took over the operation of the Lutheran Sanatorium on 1 November 1960. Also in 1960, Medical Mission work began in Guatemala and Japan.

The Wheat Ridge Foundation separated from the Walther League and became an independent organization in 1968.

In 1977, the Foundation provided a grant to begin a ministries training program that has since equipped thousands of people for caring ministries in their communities.

In 1990, Wheat Ridge received “Recognized Service Organization” status from the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. In 1992, the organization changed its name again to “Wheat Ridge Ministries” to reflect its expanded role.

In 1993, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America officially recognized Wheat Ridge as an “Affiliated Social Ministry Organization.”

Wheat Ridge has launched several grant programs to expand its health ministry efforts. These include the “Congregation Health and Hope Grant” program that began in 1996, and the Good Samaritan Fund Grant in 2000.

The success of the first Christmas seal campaign in 1910, encouraged the Association to continue distributing seals every Christmas, and each year the funds raised continued to increase. The revenues from Christmas seals continued to be an important part of the Ministry's growth and work.

Since the closing of the sanatorium in 1961, the support provided by generous donors to its Christmas seal campaign helps Wheat Ridge Ministries seed new ministries of health and hope around the world.

At the present time, I have 79 of the 97 issue years and hope to complete the remaining missing years.

Reference: <https://www.wheatridge.org/ourhistory>.



Wheat Ridge Seals 1980

Closed Album: Evelyn Bryan (1920-2017)

— by Nancy Swan , *Southern Oregon Philatelic Society*

[*Ed. note: Evelyn Bryan was the author's dearest friend and, as noted in this report, a tireless worker for the hobby and her club. She will be missed.*]

The Southern Oregon Philatelic Society is mourning and remembering our long time cachet cover designer and chair, Evelyn Bryan who passed away Thursday, August 3 at the age of 97.

Despite her failing health Evelyn had already been planning the covers for SOPEX 2018. She will be missed for her cheery attitude, years of faithful service, artistic ability, kindness, uncompromising determination, and community involvement.

Evelyn came to the Rogue Valley as a child and was raised in Jacksonville. She and her husband Don celebrated their 70th anniversary last fall and were honored with a special cake at our club's Christmas dinner. They joined the stamp club in 1968 to keep their recently drafted son apprised of stamp happenings. (He is now our longest term member.)

For years, Evelyn coordinated the stamp club's Christmas Party and the Bryans hosted the SOPS July picnic under their shady trees. Evelyn also worked with the Cub Scouts and the club's youth on stamp collecting. Evelyn also became the club historian for years.

In 1970, Evelyn began designing the Pear Blossom Festival cachet covers. She was our club's representative to the Pear Blossom Committee providing the liaison for our SOPEX as a Pear Blossom Event and arranging with the post office for special postmarks each year as well as designing the cachet covers. Evie's "pear people" drawings cleverly depicted each year's theme.

Evelyn also made special cakes and designed cachet covers for philatelic related community events such as the Jacksonville post office birthday, Central Point post office building dedication, the Applegate Trail Centennial, Wings Over Oregon—the anniversary of Oregon's first airmail flight (from Medford), and 2001 Anniversary of Commercial Air Mail through Medford's Airport.

When PIPEX was held in Medford in 1974, Evelyn designed three different cachets celebrating the area's historical, artistic, and scenic attributes. This grew into an annual SOPS cachet cover Southern Oregon Historical Series honoring some the region's special features.

In 1982, Evelyn was honored as a "club spark plug" in *Western Stamp Collector*, and in 2006, received a Northwest Federation Member Club Service Award. The club's cachet cover trophy is named in her honor.



Evelyn Bryan at SOPEX 2017

Evelyn represented the "heart of the hobby" encouraging collector fellowship, youth service, club service, and community recognition of stamp collecting.

Jim Bryan is currently designing a cachet cover to honor his mom.

UPCOMING SHOWS

BNAPEX-CALTAPEX

September 1–3

Hyatt Hotel, Calgary, AB

SEAPEX

September 8–10

Community Center, Tukwila, WA

Apple Harvest

September 23–24

Hilton Garden Inn, Airway Heights, WA

VANPEX

September 29–30

Jubilee United Church Hall, Burnaby, BC

Tri-Cities Stamp Show

September 30–October 1

M Hotel, Richland, WA

APS Volunteer Recognition Awards

— American Philatelic Society Newsletter, *June 2017*

The American Philatelic Society has awarded its 2017 Nicholas G. Carter Volunteer Recognition Awards for National Service to some philatelists familiar to those on the west coast.

The recipients are: Edwin Andrews, Jack Congrove, Dawn Hamman, Ed & Judy Jarvis, and David McNamee.

The Carter Awards recognize outstanding efforts of APS volunteers at national and local levels and also recognize younger members whose outstanding leadership is crucial to the Society's future.

The awards are named in memory of Nick Carter who helped to establish them. Carter felt it was important to recognize persons who contribute their talents, time, and energies to benefit stamp collecting and the APS.

Edwin Andrews has been an APS member for more than 40 years. He became an accredited judge in 2007 and shortly thereafter was accredited as a chief judge. Through 2016, he has served as a judge for 28 national shows. Andrews has also supported many shows with around 25 different exhibits.

Jack Congrove has been an APS member since 2012 and a member of the American Topical Association since 1985. He currently serves as editor of the *Biophilately* journal and *The Federated Philatelist*, is Second Vice President of the American Topical Association, and show chair for SEAPEX, a World Series of Philately show. He also exhibits "Alexander Hamilton: Soldier, Financier and Statesman."

Dawn Hamman is the ATA's First Vice President and has staffed an ATA booth at many shows. She assists with the Sarasota National Stamp Exhibition and is secretary, co-editor of the newsletter and the ATA representative for the Venice (Florida) Stamp Club. She has offered a Stamp Collecting 101 Course for the public through the public library and has several award-winning exhibits, including "Backyard Chickens," "Candy," "How to Grow Tomatoes," and "Remembering Lincoln."

Ed and Judy Jarvis have provided outstanding service, innovation and leadership over the past 14 years, developing the WESTPEX World Series of Philately philatelic exhibition to be the gold standard for other WSP shows. They offer an innovative organizational approach, resulting in a committee of more than 50 volunteers for each WESTPEX show. They also have more than 40 public presentations and meetings for specialized philatelic international, national, and local societies. They provide docent tours of show exhibits, giving attendees an understanding and appreciation of the material.

David McNamee has contributed to philately at a local, regional and national level. He is an exhibitor and an APS accredited judge and from 2013 to 2016, was chairman of the Committee for Accreditation of National Exhibitions and Judges. McNamee writes a column for the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors quarterly journal and is chairman of its long-range planning committee.

Congrove and Hamman received their awards from APS Executive Director Scott English at the National Topical Stamp Show in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on 24 June.

The others received their awards at the APS StampShow in Richmond, Virginia on 5 August.

Carter Awards for Local Service were presented to: Ed Laveroni (California), Sharon Newby (Indiana), Gerald Nylander (Illinois), Guy Purington (Ohio), Roger Rhoads (Ohio), Charles Shoemaker (Wisconsin), Norm Shufrin (Massachusetts), Roger Skinner (California), Tim Wait (Illinois), and Ann Wood (California).

Correction

In Lawrence Clay's farewell in the last edition, he stated that David and Anne Harris restarted the Moses Lake symposium after the death of John Arn. According to David Harris, this is incorrect. The meeting was restarted via an impromptu meeting at a Women Exhibitors conference in Denver at a ROMPEX show around 2010.

Ruth Caswell approached Harris and asked "What are we going to do about Moses Lake?" The outcome of the conversation was that Harris agreed to do everything except the speakers, and Caswell agreed to take care of that.

According to Harris, Caswell deserves all the credit for restarting Moses Lake. Since Caswell retired from Moses Lake in 2016, Anne Harris has taken over the speakers.

Roundup Stamp Show

7 October 2017

Olympia Philatelic Society

Yardbirds Mall

2100 N National Avenue

Chehalis, Washington

Sat 9:30AM-4:00PM

<http://olympiaphilatelicsociety.org/>

Book Review

— by Lucien Klein, Salem Stamp Society

[Ed. note: The editor of the publication under review, Dr. Louis Fiset, is a member of the Puget Sound Collectors Club. He is a noted philatelic exhibitor and an expert on World War II military postal history. He is also editor of the quarterly newsletter, *The Prexie Era*. This review was published in the August edition of *Willamette Stamp & Tongs: The Newsletter of the Salem Stamp Society*, and is reprinted with permission.]

As many of you know, I collect Prexie postal history and Prexie stamps and all that may involve. A new book has just been published, *Prexie Era: Postal History and Stamp Production 1938–1962*, edited by Louis Fiset.

It was published by the American Philatelic Society in soft cover and is available from the APS for \$44 (\$39 to APS members) plus shipping. The contents of the book are protected by copyright, but collectors, philatelic dealers, and philatelic authors are authorized to make use of information it contains provided it is noted that the information is from the book.

The publication measures 8½×11 inches and includes 276 pages with 407 full-color philatelic illustrations, seven tables, bibliography with 102 references, and index.

The book contains 15 essays. As Louis Fiset says in the book's introduction, this new book departs from previous books and Prexie postal history and the Prexies by focusing on the time frame in which the Prexies were in current use: 1938–1962, and not on the Prexies as a single series.

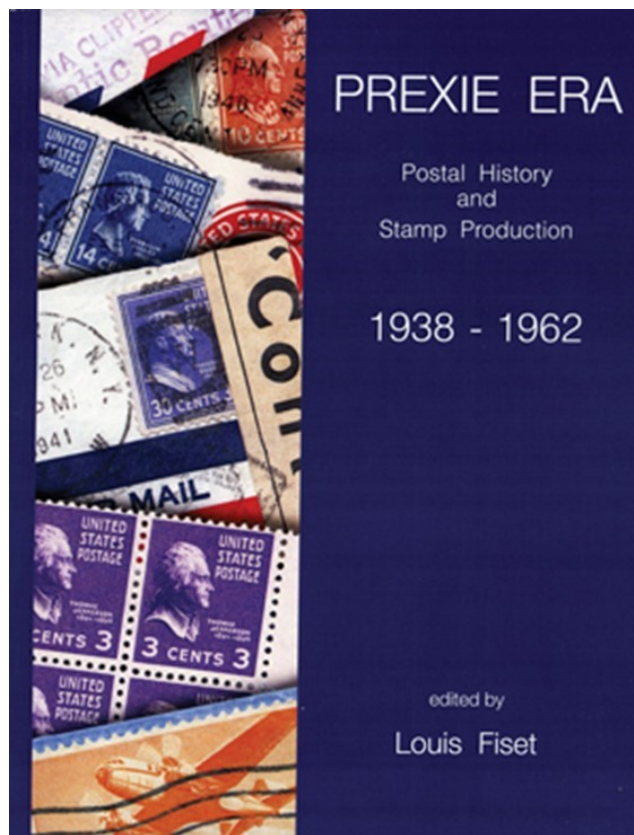
“Allowing all stamps of the era to contribute, not just the Prexies, expands collectors’ opportunities to acquire interesting and possibly otherwise elusive material.”

The first seven essays do focus on the Prexies. In the eighth essay, Louis Fiset shows the impact of World War II on airmail service from Europe to the Middle East, East Africa, and Asia, upon closure of the central Mediterranean Sea to commercial air traffic. How does the mail get there?

The ninth essay by Joseph Bock shows uses of the 50 cent stamp from the Transport Airmail series.

The tenth essay is about postal censorship during the Prexie era and the 11th essay by Collyer Church of the Puget Sound Collectors Club is about U.S. military censorship during that time period. The 12th essay by Ralph Nafziger of the Oregon Stamp Society is on civil censorship of U.S. first day covers during the Prexie era.

The 13th essay is on resumption of mail service to Europe, 1944–1948. (It did not happen all at one time!). The essay contains a detailed table listing when resumption of mail

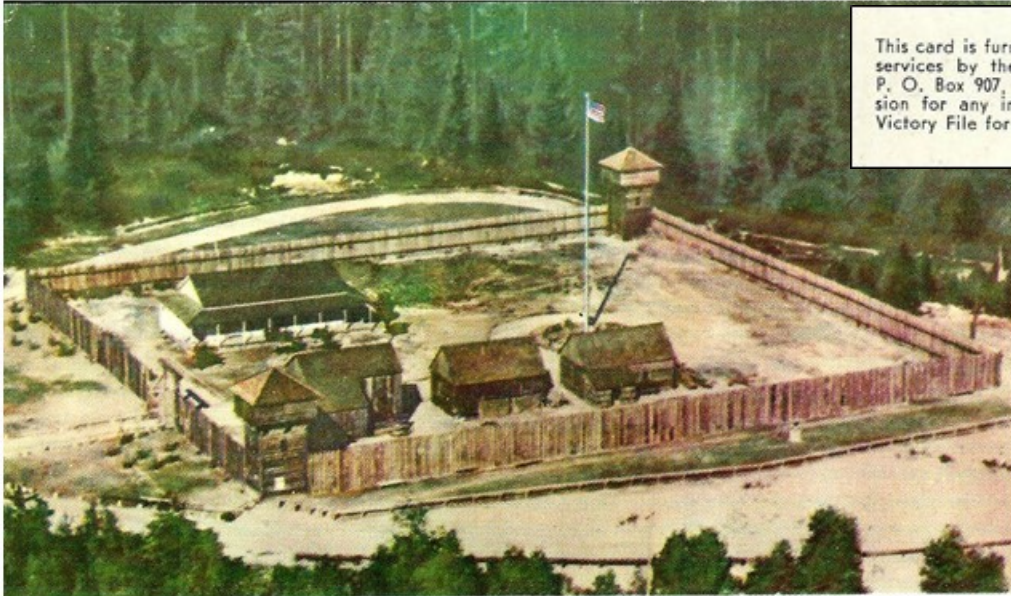


occurred for all countries having suspended postal service with the United States.

The 14th and 15th essays are again on the Prexies, with the 14th being on the twilight of the Prexies—uses after the introduction of the Liberty series in 1954, and the 15th essay being on collecting the Prexies.

I believe that it is a fine reference book to have not only for Prexie collectors, but also other collectors interested in the stamps and postal history of that time period. It is also a book that might get you interested in a new collecting area.

Fort Nisqually



Old Fort Nisqually, reproduced in every detail, may be visited in Point Defiance Park, Tacoma.

This card is furnished for convenience of men in the armed services by the Washington State Progress Commission, P. O. Box 907, Olympia, Washington. Write the Commission for any information desired about the state or for Victory File for use in planning your first after-war vacation.



— by Jack R. Congrove, Tacoma Stamp Club

If you have a chance to visit the rebuilt Fort Nisqually living history museum located in Point Defiance Park in Tacoma, Washington, you should take it. The museum offers tours and both permanent and visiting exhibits that reflect the history of The Great Northwest.

Re-enactors in period costumes provide tours, demonstrations, and hands-on activities for all members of the family. They offer day camps for children in three age groups. And there are classroom programs for schools.

Among the many highlights are two buildings from the original site: the Granary and the Factor's House. The Granary, built in 1843, is the oldest building in the state of Washington and is a National Historic Landmark. The two structures are the only surviving Hudson's Bay Company buildings in the United States.

The fort was built in 1833 and originally stood north of the Nisqually River delta in the present town of Dupont and adjacent to the current site of Joint Base Lewis-McChord. It served as a fur trading post for the Hudson's Bay Company and not as an actual military outpost.

It became a major international trading post exporting crops and furs to Russian America, Hawaii, Spanish California, Europe, and Asia. The work force included men from Scotland, England, Ireland, Orkney Islands, Hawaii, as well as French-Canadians, Americans, and Native Americans.

The fort was closed in 1869; by then it stood on United States territory. It became private property until 1904, when it was sold to the Dupont Company.

In 1933, backed by the Works Progress Administration, the Young Businessmen's Club of Tacoma led an effort to preserve its remaining structures. Part of this effort included the sale of souvenir labels like the image shown above. The inscription reads: "The purchaser of this stamp has contributed to the restoration of Old Fort Nisqually/Point Defiance Park/Tacoma."

The blue cinderella label is rouletted and gummed. It is denominated five cents. I have not been able to find examples in any other color or denomination.

The restored fort was dedicated on 3 September 1934.

In 1978, the US Postal Service issued a 28c definitive stamp showing a drawing of one of the two restored Fort Nisqually wooden blockhouses (Sc#1604) as part of its Americana Series.



The postcard shows an image of the reconstructed fort in a clearing in Point Defiance Park. The Granary is the middle of the three smaller buildings in the foreground. One of the other buildings houses a trading store and the other a working blacksmith's shop.

The Factor's House is the long white building in the background. It contains furniture and artifacts from the period.

The photochrome postcard was published by the Washington State Progress Commission. The Commission was established in 1937, and abolished in 1945. Based on the inscription on the reverse (see inset), it would appear that this card likely was produced in 1945, since it references planning for "your first after-war vacation."

Club Activities



The **Alaska Collectors' Club** publishes a quarterly journal, *The Alaskan Philatelist*. They are working on a project to revise the *Postmarks of Territorial Alaska* catalog. They are currently conducting a postmark auction. Annual dues are \$15 for US and \$20 elsewhere. Contact eknapp@gci.net. See website www.alaskaphilatelic.org.



The **American Air Mail Society—Northwest Chapter** publishes a quarterly newsletter *Air Mail Northwest*. The chapter has no website. Dues are \$8 per year for print and \$4 for electronic.



The **Anchorage Philatelic Society** publishes a quarterly newsletter, *The Anchorage Philatelist*. The club held its annual club picnic on 30 July. They meet on the second and fourth Wednesday at the Turnagain United Methodist Church. Dues are \$10 per year, \$15 for families, and \$2 for youth. See their website www.anchoragephilatelic.org.



The **British Columbia Philatelic Society** has not published a recent edition of their newsletter. Meeting information is distributed via their website. They are preparing for VANPEX 29–30 September. Meetings are each Wednesday at 7:30 PM at the church hall north of the West Burnaby United Church. The third Wednesday is usually their monthly auction. Dues are \$20 per year for individuals, \$30 for families, and \$7.50 for students younger than 18. Website: www.bcphilatelic.org.



The **British North America Philatelic Society** (Pacific Northwest Regional Group) publishes the *West Coast Express*. In our area are the Calgary, Edmonton, and Pacific Northwest chapters. The PNW Chapter publishes the *British Columbia Postal History Newsletter*. They will be meeting in Penticton 29 Sep to 1 Oct. Dues are \$10 per year for all. See their website: <http://bnaps.org/regional.php>.

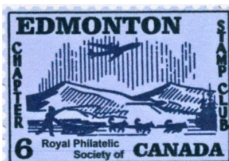
The **Central Oregon Postal Collective** does not publish a newsletter. They meet on the first Saturday at 10:00 AM at the Redmond Karate Studio. They accept donations in lieu of dues. Contact stbucknum@msn.com.



The **Collectors Club of Seattle** does not publish a newsletter. They hold an auction on the first Friday each month. The club has moved to a new meeting location at the Unity Church, 16330 NE 4th Street, Bellevue, Washington. The club has sold most of

the material from its extensive library at their monthly auctions. Dues are \$20.

The **Eagle Stamp and Postcard Club** does not publish a newsletter. They hold auctions about four times per year. They meet on the first Tuesday each month at 7:00 PM at the Eagle Methodist Church. No dues listed. Website: <http://www.eaglestampandpostcardclub.com/>.



The **Edmonton Stamp Club** publishes a monthly newsletter, *Bulletin*. Each edition is full of interesting news and articles. They held their summer auction on 31 July. They meet on second and fourth Mondays at 6:30 PM at St. Joseph High School. Dues are \$30 per year for individuals, \$40 for families. There is a one-time \$5 fee for a name tag. See www.edmontonstampclub.com.



The **Evergreen Stamp Club** held its summer exhibition on 15–16 July. They recently became Chapter #130 of the American Topical Association. They will hold their annual Christmas party on 20 December. They meet on the third Wednesday each month at 7:00 PM at Kent Commons. Dues are \$20 per year. See <http://stamps.org/Evergreen-Stamp-Club>.

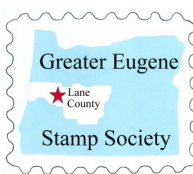
The **Fraser Valley Stamp Club** does not publish a newsletter. They meet on the first or second Tuesday each month (except July and August) at 6:00 PM at the W.J. Mouat School in Abbotsford. Annual dues are \$5. See their website at <http://stampclub.ca/fraservalley/>.

The **Garden City Stamp Club** does not publish a newsletter. They are planning a holiday party on 18 December. They meet on the first Wednesday and third Monday each month at 7:00 PM at the Atonement Lutheran Church in Missoula. Annual dues are \$10. See their website at <http://gardencitystampclub.com/>.

The **Gastineau Philatelic Society** does not publish a newsletter. They meet on the third Thursday each month at 7:00 PM at 360 Egan Drive, Juneau.



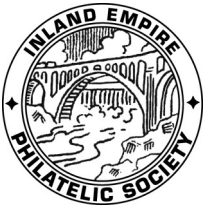
The **Greater Eastside Stamp Society** publishes the *GESS Newsletter* via e-mail only. They offer show and tell presentations at each meeting. They meet on the first and third Thursday each month at 7:00 PM at Unity Church of Bellevue.



The **Greater Eugene Stamp Society** publishes the *Echoes* bimonthly newsletter. It is continuing a series of articles on South African se-tenant stamps. They meet on the second and fourth Wednesday each month at 7:00 PM at Saint Jude's Catho-

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lic Church. Dues are \$15 per year, \$5 for youth under 18. See: <http://greater Eugene stamp club.weebly.com/>.

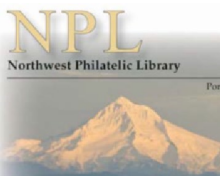


The **Inland Empire Philatelic Society** publishes *The Lilac Hinge*. They held a joint meeting with the Tri-Cities Stamp Club in Ritzville, Washington on 19 August. They are preparing for their annual Apple Harvest bourse on 23-24 September. They meet on the second and fourth

Tuesday each month at 7:00 PM at the Spokane Valley Eagles Hall. Dues are \$10 per year for individuals, \$15 for families, and \$5 for youth under 18. See their website: www.ieps-stamps.com.

The **Linn County Philatelic Society** does not publish a newsletter. They meet on the second Thursday each month at 7:00 PM at The Villas. Their website is out of service.

The **Lynden Stamp Club** is the newest member of the Federation. They do not publish a newsletter. They meet at 6:00 PM on the last Tuesday of each month at the Lynden City Hall. Dues are \$10 per year.



The **Northwest Philatelic Library** has not published their quarterly newsletter, *Book Reports*, in more than a year. You do not need to be a member of the NPL or OSS to use the library. They have surplus books for sale. Dues are \$12 for

those 18 and older, \$3 for under 18. See their website: <http://www.nwpl.org/>.

The **Okanagan Mainline Philatelic Association** publishes the *OMPA News*. They meet five times a year in January, March, May, September, and November. They are planning a show and bourse on 16 September at The People Place in Vernon, BC. Dues are \$10 per year, \$14 for Family, and \$2 for Junior (under 16). See: <http://www.okanaganstampclubs.ca/>.

The **Olympia Philatelic Society** does not publish a newsletter. They are planning their fall Roundup Stamp Show on 7 October at Yardbirds Mall in Chehalis. They meet at 7:30 PM on the second and fourth Monday each month at the Olympics West Retirement Inn. Dues are \$10 per year. See website at: <http://olympiaphilatelicssociety.org/>.

The **Olympic Philatelic Society** does not publish a newsletter, nor have a website. Their contact information at the Federation website needs updating. They meet at 7:00 PM on the second and fourth Tuesday each month at the Silverdale Community Center.



The **Oregon Stamp Society** publishes a monthly newsletter, *The Album Page*. Each edition has an article on the featured cover of the month. They held their annual club picnic on 11 July.

They won the Federation trophy for their club exhibit at PIPEX. Meetings are on the second and fourth Tuesday each month at their clubhouse. Dues are \$24 per year for regular members, \$16 for associate members who reside outside the area. Website: www.oregonstampsociety.org.

The **Pacific Northwest Postal History Society** publishes a quarterly journal, *The Oregon Country*. Each issue has articles with nice illustrations of NW postal history material. They usually hold a meeting once per year at PIPEX. Dues are \$20 per year. See their website at: <http://www.pacificnorthwestpostalhistorysociety.org/>.

The **Peace Arch Stamp Club** does not publish a newsletter. They meet at 5:30 PM on the first Wednesday of the month (except July and August) at the Surrey Come Share Society Centre. Dues are \$10 per year. See their website: www.peacearchstampclub.com/.

The **Portland Philatelic Exhibitions** organizes and conducts the PIPEX exhibition on behalf of the NWFSC. It is an Oregon nonprofit corporation that has no members, but is administered by a board of directors. Website: www.pipexstampshow.org.



The **Salem Stamp Society** publishes a monthly newsletter, *Willamette Stamp & Tongs*. Being in the zone of totality, they prepared a cacheted cover for the 21 August solar eclipse. They meet

on the second Wednesday each month at 6:00 PM at Fire Station District #1. Dues are \$10 per year for individuals, \$15 for couples, and \$5 for youth. Website: www.salemstampsociety.org.



The **Sno-King Stamp Club** publishes a monthly newsletter, *Sno-King Stamp Club Philatelic News*. They held their summer BBQ on 9

August. The club meets in Everett on the second Wednesday and in Edmonds on the third Friday each month. Dues are \$10 per year, \$5 for youth under 18. <http://sno-kingstampclub.freehostia.com>.



The **Southern Oregon Philatelic Society** publishes a monthly newsletter, *The Philatelic Reminder*. They held their summer potluck on 6 July. The club is mourning the passing of long-time member Evelyn Bryan (page 12). They meet on the first Thursday at 7:00 PM at a

new location at the First Methodist Church in Medford. Dues are \$15 per year.

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The **Strait Stamp Society** publishes a bi-monthly newsletter, *Strait Stamp Talk*. They held their 24th annual stamp show on 12 August. They meet on the first Thursday each month at 6:00 PM at the Sequim Library. The club has no dues, but accepts donations. Website: www.straitstamp.org.

The **Tri-Cities Stamp Club** publishes a monthly newsletter, *The Triangle*. They held a joint meeting with the Inland Empire Philatelic Society in Ritzville on 19 August. They are planning their club bourse for 30 September to 1 October. They meet on the fourth Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the Activities room the Royal Colombian Retirement Inn in Kennewick. Dues are \$10 per year for adults, \$1 for students. Contact randyvessey@hotmail.com.



USS Puget Sound Chapter 74 of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society does not have a chapter newsletter, but the Society publishes the monthly *USCS Log*. They plan to hold a chapter meeting at SEAPEX. Annual dues are \$24 for US, \$45 international, and \$16 electronic delivery. See their society website at: www.uscs.org.



The **Vancouver Island Philatelic Society** publishes a monthly newsletter, *The Guideline*. They have a philatelic library for members. Meetings include a small auction. The club meets at 7:30 PM on the fourth Thursday each month at St. Aidan's Church. Dues are \$20 per year. Website: www.vicstamps.com/vips.htm.



The **Washington State Philatelic Society** does not publish a newsletter. They meet on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Seattle.



The **Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs** will hold a Federation Town Hall meeting on 10:00 AM on Sunday, 10 September at SEAPEX.

[Ed. note: If you would like to have news about your club activities and upcoming plans published in future columns, please email me (jackcongrove@comcast.net) with the details.]

SEAPEX 2017 Unveiling

— by Jack R. Congrove, SEAPEX

On Saturday, 9 September at 11:00 AM at SEAPEX, the United Nations Postal Administration will be unveiling the designs for six stamps and three souvenir sheets to commemorate the International Day of Peace.

The official issue date for these stamps is 21 September, the actual date that the International Day of Peace is celebrated. However, you will be able to purchase these items for your collection from the UNPA booth at the show. This will be a simultaneous “pre-launch” at SEAPEX as well as at the Nanjing show in Beijing, China, and at the Prague show in the Czech Republic.

UN Secretary-General António Guterres recently offered these remarks about the International Day of Peace:

“In times of insecurity, communities that look different become convenient scapegoats. We must resist cynical efforts to divide communities and portray neighbors as ‘the other.’ Discrimination diminishes us all. It prevents people—and societies—from achieving their full potential. Together, let us stand up against bigotry and for human rights. Together, let us build bridges. Together, let us transform fear into hope.”

All of us should take these words to heart. Here in the United States, we often take peace for granted and think of these UN programs as applying to other parts of the world. However, as we have seen from recent events, the US is not immune from these issues and we would be well advised to consider that our fellow citizens are not our enemies even if they hold views with which we disagree.

The stamps were designed by Stranger & Stranger, an award winning packaging design and branding company with studios in London, New York, and San Francisco.

Below are three of the designs from the UN New York, Geneva, and Vienna offices. Come to the show and help us celebrate this event.



Philatelic Quiz

This year on 9 October, our Canadian members will celebrate their annual Thanksgiving Day. Meanwhile our US members will have to wait until 23 November to enjoy their Thanksgiving holiday. Match these statements with a stamp image to test your Thanksgiving knowledge.

- ___ 1. Canadian Thanksgiving coincides with the US holiday for the commander of this ship
- ___ 2. About 46 million of these are served in the US
- ___ 3. Both Canada and US hold one of these special events on Thanksgiving Day
- ___ 4. This country celebrates Thanksgiving on the same day as the US
- ___ 5. This country celebrates Thanksgiving on the first Monday in October

- ___ 6. The author of this poem is responsible for making Thanksgiving a national holiday
- ___ 7. Those at the first Thanksgiving in the US arrived aboard this ship
- ___ 8. The first Europeans to celebrate Thanksgiving in North America were the crew of this expedition
- ___ 9. This symbol of abundance comes from classical mythology.
- ___ 10. A department store held the first one of these in 1920

Bonus: What was the name of the department store?

(Answers on page 2.)



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B



C



D



E



F



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J

UPCOMING STAMP SHOWS / BOURSES

SHOW DATES			Major events in bold / PNW events in italic	Revised: 20-Aug-2017	
FRI	SAT	SUN	SHOW NAME	LOCATION	TYPE
1-Sep	2-Sep	3-Sep	BNAPEX-CALTAPEX (<i>BNA Philatelic Society</i>)	Calgary, AB	Show
8-Sep	9-Sep	10-Sep	SEAPEX Seattle Philatelic Exhibition (WSP)	Tukwila, WA	Show
	9-Sep	10-Sep	<i>Coin & Stamp Fair (North Shore Numismatic Soc.)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
15-Sep	16-Sep	17-Sep	Greater Houston Stamp Show	Humble, TX	Show
	16-Sep		<i>OMPA Show (Okanagan Mainline Philatelic Society)</i>	Vernon, BC	Bourse
		17-Sep	<i>Salem Stamp Society Fall STAMPEX</i>	Salem, OR	Bourse
	23-Sep	24-Sep	<i>Inland Empire Philatelic Society Apple Harvest</i>	Spokane, WA	Bourse
29-Sep	30-Sep		<i>VANPEX (BC Philatelic Society)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Show
	30-Sep	1-Oct	<i>TriCities Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Richland, WA	Bourse
6-Oct	7-Oct		Utah Fall Show (Utah Philatelic Society)	Salt Lake City, UT	Bourse
6-Oct	7-Oct	8-Oct	WINEPEX (Redwood Empire Collectors Club)	San Rafael, CA	Show
	7-Oct		<i>Roundup Stamp Show (Olympia Philatelic Society)</i>	Chehalis, WA	Bourse
		8-Oct	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
13-Oct	14-Oct	15-Oct	SESCAL (Fed. Phil. Clubs of S. California) (WSP)	Ontario, CA	Show
	21-Oct		<i>Umqua Valley Stampfest & Coin Show</i>	Roseburg, OR	Bourse
27-Oct	28-Oct		United Nations Expo 17 (UNPI) (WSP)	Bellefonte, PA	Show
	28-Oct	29-Oct	East Bay Collectors Club Annual Show	Walnut Creek, CA	Show
	4-Nov	5-Nov	SACAPEX (Sacramento Philatelic Society)	Sacramento, CA	Show
	11-Nov	12-Nov	Filatelic Fiesta (San Jose Stamp Club) (WSP)	San Jose, CA	Show
17-Nov	18-Nov	19-Nov	CHICAGOPEX (Chicago Philatelic Society) (WSP)	Itasca, IL	Show
	25-Nov		<i>Coin & Stamp Fair (North Shore Numismatic Soc.)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
	2-Dec	3-Dec	PENPEX (Sequoia Stamp Club)	Redwood City, CA	Show
		10-Dec	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
		11-Feb	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
16-Feb	17-Feb	18-Feb	ARIPEX (Arizona Fed. of Stamp Clubs) (WSP)	Mesa, AZ	Show
23-Feb	24-Feb	25-Feb	APS AmeriStamp Expo (WSP)	Birmingham, AL	Show
	3-Mar	4-Mar	NOVAPEX (Redding Stamp Club)	Redding, CA	Show
	24-Mar	25-Mar	Edmonton Spring National Stamp Show (WSP)	Edmonton, AB	Show
		8-Apr	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
	14-Apr		<i>John D. Arn Stamp Symposium (NWFSC)</i>	Moses Lake, WA	Education
	14-20 Apr		ISRAEL 2018 International Show	Tel Aviv, Israel	Show
	21-Apr	22-Apr	<i>Spring Bourse (Evergreen Stamp Club)</i>	Kent, WA	Bourse
27-Apr	28-Apr	29-Apr	WESTPEX (WSP)	Burlingame, CA	Show
11-May	12-May	13-May	PIPEX Pacific Intl. Philatelic Exhibition (WSP)	Portland, OR	Show
25-May	26-May	27-May	RMSS (Rocky Mountain Philatelic Exhibition) (WSP)	Denver, CO	Show
		10-Jun	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
22-Jun	23-Jun	24-Jun	Royal 2018 Royale	St. Catherines, ON	Show
	21-Jul	22-Jul	<i>Spring Bourse (Evergreen Stamp Club)</i>	Kent, WA	Bourse
10-Aug	11-Aug	12-Aug	NTSS-APS StampShow (begins 9-Aug) (WSP)	Columbus, OH	Show
		12-Aug	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
14-Sep	15-Sep	16-Sep	SEAPEX Seattle Philatelic Exhibition (WSP)	Tukwila, WA	Show
		14-Oct	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
		9-Dec	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
Repetitive Events			<i>Rose City Stamp Fair (2nd Saturday OSS clubhouse)</i>	Portland, OR	Bourse
			<i>Collector's Corner (4th Saturday OSS clubhouse)</i>	Portland, OR	Bourse