

Federated Philatelist

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SEAPEX 2019



Good attendance at SEAPEX left most dealers pleased

— by Jack R. Congrove, Northwest Federation

The Seattle Philatelic Exhibition (SEAPEX) was held at its usual Tukwila Community Center venue on 13–15 September. This year's enhanced publicity appeared to result in increased attendance over previous years. All three days saw busy traffic at the dealer tables.

The bourse included 24 dealers plus booths occupied by the United States Postal Service and United Nations Postal Administration. The two postal organizations experienced brisk sales of their current stamp issues. The Seattle USPS offered stocks of the \$2 Inverted Jenny sheets before the recall of the sheets to the Kansas City Fulfillment Center.

This year, the show celebrated the 50th anniversary of the first manned Moon landing as its theme. We received many compliments on the designs of our show program as well as souvenir covers and pictorial postmarks reflecting this theme. We also sold many sets of souvenir covers to mail-in requests resulting from their brief announcement in *Linn's Stamp News*.

On Thursday before the show, SEAPEX arranged a tour of the Museum of Flight led by Steve Ellis, a stamp collector who is a docent at the museum. In addition to seeing the collection of world-class air and space artifacts, Steve arranged a special visit to the archives where the members of the group were able to view some significant aerophilatelic artifacts and aviation history documents.

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From the Editor's Desk



Recently I was pondering our use of euphemisms. I thought of a piece of equipment we find in every modern passenger vehicle called an “air bag.” There is absolutely no “air” in an air bag. It is physically impossible to inflate such a device rapidly enough in the split second of a collision using air. Instead, the inflation is accomplished by means of a controlled chemical explosion. I am pretty sure that the automotive industry rightfully concluded that consumers would be rather leery of buying a vehicle equipped with an “explosion bag.”

Included in this edition of the journal is a copy of the draft revision of the Federation Bylaws. We are publishing this document pursuant to the Federation Board meeting in Burnaby, British Columbia, in September (see page 10), and the requirements of the current Federation Bylaws, for review by the members of the Federation clubs to enable discussion and voting on the changes at the Annual General Meeting at PIPEX 2020.

The major changes are (1) removal of the term limit requirement for the Federation Treasurer, and (2) extraction of the detailed procedures involving the Federation Awards to move them to a separate policy letter.

The reasoning for the former change is to provide stability in the financial operation of the Federation. The Board believes that the audit process in place is sufficient to ensure accurate accounting of the Federation budget and financial assets.

The reasoning for the latter change is to facilitate adjustments in the award procedures without having to go through the complex process of making changes to the Bylaws. Please review the draft document. Submit your inquiries and suggestions to the Executive Secretary.

We did not receive any answers to our mystery cover quiz in the last edition, so I guess it will remain a mystery. As we enter a period containing many holidays between now and our next edition of the journal, we offer a quiz on the subject.

You will also find reports on several recent stamp shows and news about happenings in the Federation region. If you find these articles interesting, I invite you to submit one of your own. My file of pending articles is very small, so please help me out with a story about an item in your collection, or some philatelic adventure you have experienced. Do not worry about formatting. I will take care of all that.

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

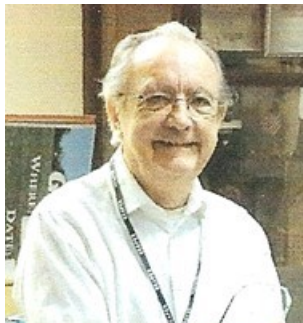
Club officers, send me news about your club's activities and accomplishments, especially if you present an exhibition. I will publish this information in upcoming editions. **Input for the next edition is due to me not later than 15 February 2020.** Send to: jackcongrove@comcast.net.

— Jack R. Congrove, Editor

Answers to Quiz:

1-G (Remembrance Day), 2-J (Groundhog Day), 3-E (Hannukkah), 4-A (Chinese or Lunar New Year), 5-I (Family Day), 6-B (Washington's Birthday or Presidents Day), 7-H (St. Patrick's Day), 8-D (Valentine's Day), 9-C (Christmas), 10-F (Thanksgiving). Bonus (New Year's Day)

Executive Secretary's Notes



Jim Mazepa, chief judge at SEAPEX, began the judges' session by explaining there are three reasons to exhibit:

1. To show one's collection by sharing it with others,
2. To educate others,
3. To compete.

He said that the SEAPEX judges' session was for those with the third reason. I want to write about the first two.

In our clubs, we have opportunities to show and share, whether it is a short show-and-tell presentation, or a longer prepared program. Many of us participate in the show-and-tells. Most longer programs, even the show-and-tells, are also to educate. What we don't do as often is prepare exhibits for these reasons. Why? We should.

There is room at stamp shows for the exhibits that show/share and that educate, especially at local/regional stamp shows. There is room for these exhibits at bourses. There is room for them at libraries. By their intent, these exhibits promote the hobby. They share the joy of collecting with their viewers, and they illustrate to the viewers what can be collected. They may even teach how a collection can be started.

With this in mind, I would like to see the Federation:

1. Be involved in helping bourse organizers to locate a few exhibits to place in the bourse,
2. List exhibitors with these non-competitive exhibits,
3. Encourage small shows, with or without judged exhibits, to appear in areas where there are now no local shows.

The Sno-King stamp bourse north of Seattle on Saturday, 22 February 2020, will have exhibits after several years without them. This will make it a show. Please participate by sending an exhibit (judging will be by the show visitors) and by attending this new show if you're close by.

Still, I hope we can find other bourses that can add exhibits in Idaho, Montana, Central Oregon, and British Columbia. We need to showcase our hobby with fun exhibits, and these in one to three frames will illustrate the wide variety of what we do.

What I am requesting is for local collectors from these areas to contact me (larry.crain@gmail.com) and/or the Federation to talk about what can be done together. Email addresses of other Federation personnel are elsewhere in this newsletter.

We enjoy stamp collecting. Let's give others (new others) the opportunity to enjoy it too!

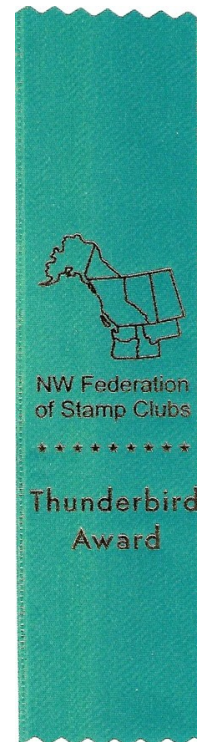
Thunderbird Award

The Northwest Federation provides a ribbon to be awarded to a worthy exhibit at all shows held within the geographic area of the Federation. The purpose of this award is to encourage exhibiting, whether or not the exhibitor is a member of a Federation organization.

Exhibits that receive a Vermeil or higher award are not eligible and the judges of the show have sole authority to award, or not award the ribbon.

Recent winners include Jon Noad at Caltapex for *Bringing Dinosaurs Back to Life*.

Member clubs that hold shows with competitive exhibits can request the Thunderbird ribbon from the Executive Secretary. Local and regional level shows are authorized to present a single award, and national level shows may present two awards.



Clarification

In the last edition of the journal, I wrote about the tradition of standing for the National Anthem., and observed that, "Both the U.S. and Canada celebrate a Memorial Day. In Canada, it is observed in Newfoundland and Labrador and coincides with Canada Day on 1 July. Both countries hold observances that include wreath laying at memorials honoring those who served both in and out of uniform."

Dale Speirs from Calgary wrote to point out that this statement is somewhat misleading in that it implies that all of Canada has a Memorial Day.

"We honour our veterans on Remembrance Day, which is a national holiday on November 11 in which the entire country participates, including Newfoundland.

"Newfoundland and Labrador have a Memorial Day on Canada Day, which is very specific. It does not honour all the war dead, which they do on Remembrance Day. It only honours the Newfoundland Regiment, which went into the Battle of the Somme on July 1, 1916.

On that day, 90 percent of the regiment was killed in action; 780 men went over the top, but only 68 answered the roll call the next morning. Newfoundland at that time was thinly populated, so the deaths of so many men devastated the colony. (Newfoundland did not join Canadian Confederation until 1949.)"



Museum tour group in archives

SEAPEX had only one convening society this year, the Scandinavian Collectors Club. But four other societies had tables at the show: American Topical Association, American First Day Cover Society, Christmas Seal & Charity Stamp Society, and Pacific Northwest Postcard Club.



Scouts tour UNPA booth as part of merit badge workshop

On Saturday, we held an all-day workshop for the Scout stamp collecting merit badge. A total of 20 Scouts, both boys and girls, participated in this popular event, and 19 were able to successfully complete their requirements.

The philatelic exhibition portion of the show included a total of 230 exhibit frames—the most since SEAPEX became a World Series of Philately (WSP) event. Members of the SCC provided terrific support for the exhibition by entering 12 exhibits.

In addition to the competitive exhibits, there were four frames of non-competitive exhibits and ten frames of society and club showcases, all of which were interesting and popular additions to the show.

The larger than usual philatelic jury of seven judges, including members from Finland and South Africa, was led by Dr. James P. Mazepa from Florida.



Moon Landing thematic design

There was strong competition for the Grand Award. Both the Grand and Reserve Grand exhibits had just come from competing for the Champion of Champions prize at the APS-ATA show in Omaha. At least two other exhibits had won Grand awards at WSP shows in previous years.



An international philatelic jury working at the frames

Alfredo Frohlich from Florida won the Multi-frame Grand Award for *Delaware Postal History—1773 to 1847*. His exhibit also received the American Philatelic Congress Award, APS Medal of Excellence Pre-1900, Postal History Society Medal, and United States Cancellation Club Award. This exhibit will be entered in the APS Champion of Champions competition at the Great American Stamp Show next August in Hartford, Connecticut.

Lester C. Lanphear III from California won the Reserve Grand Award for *U.S. Departmentals, 1873 to 1884*. This exhibit also received the APS Research Award and the United States Stamp Society Statue of Freedom Award.

Edward J. Laveroni from California won the One Frame Grand Award for *St. Petersburg—Moscow Railway, Nikolaevskaya Railroad*. This exhibit will be entered in the Single Frame Champion of Champions competition at Chicagopex in November 2020.



Lester Lanphear (R) receives the Reserve Grand Award from Jury Chief James Mazepa

The People's Choice Award went to Michael Schumacher from Florida for *The Saga of the Icelandic Horse*. This exhibit received a Large Vermeil and the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Gold Award of Honor.

Unfortunately, there were no Youth or Novice entries this year. There are several special awards available for these types of exhibits, and we would love to give them away. So, if you qualify, start planning and putting together your entry for next year.

See the SEAPEX website (www.seapexshow.org) for a complete listing of palmares for all exhibits.



Ostrich exhibit with a real ostrich feather

SEAPEX 2020 will take place at the same venue on 11–13 September 2020. The theme of the show next year will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. Exhibiting prospectus and entry forms are on the show website (www.seapexshow.org).

The 30th annual John D. Arn Philatelic Symposium will be held on Saturday, 4 April 2020, at the Best Western Conference Center in Moses Lake, Washington. The event is named after, and dedicated to, its founder, John D. Arn from Spokane, Washington.

The symposium will feature four excellent speakers on a variety of topics, both a live and a silent auction, and good fellowship with Pacific Northwest stamp collectors. The complete program includes a luncheon and dinner.

This is one of only three known meetings of this type in the United States. Everyone is welcome. The activities will kick off with an informal no-host dinner at a local restaurant on Friday evening. The hotel offers a special rate for attendees.

Check the NWFSC website for more details as they become available (www.nwfedstamps.org).

Tacoma Club Joins Federation

At the Federation Board meeting held at VANPEX, the Board unanimously voted to reinstate the Tacoma Stamp Club as a Federation member. The Tacoma club was one of the founding members of the Federation in 1935.

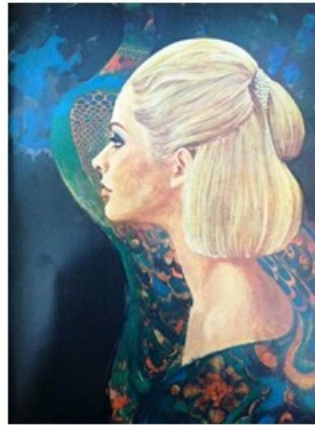
They publish a monthly newsletter, *The Tacoma Philatelist*. The club meets on the fourth Tuesday each month at 6:00 PM at the Bay Terrace Community Center located at 2550 South G Street in Tacoma. They typically hold an auction at each meeting.

The club officers are: Sharlene Wilkey, President; John Buckles, Vice-President; Robin Sopher, Secretary; Paul Craul, Treasurer; and Brian Coy, Director. The newsletter editor is Richard Crooks.

Dues are \$15 per year. Contact: sharwilkey@gmail.com.

Edmonton Spring Show
28–29 March 2020
Edmonton Stamp Club
Central Lion's Recreational Centre
113 Street & 111 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
Sat 10:00AM–5:00PM
Sun 10:00AM–4:00PM
Free stamp evaluations
Free Admission
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Peacocks on Stamps



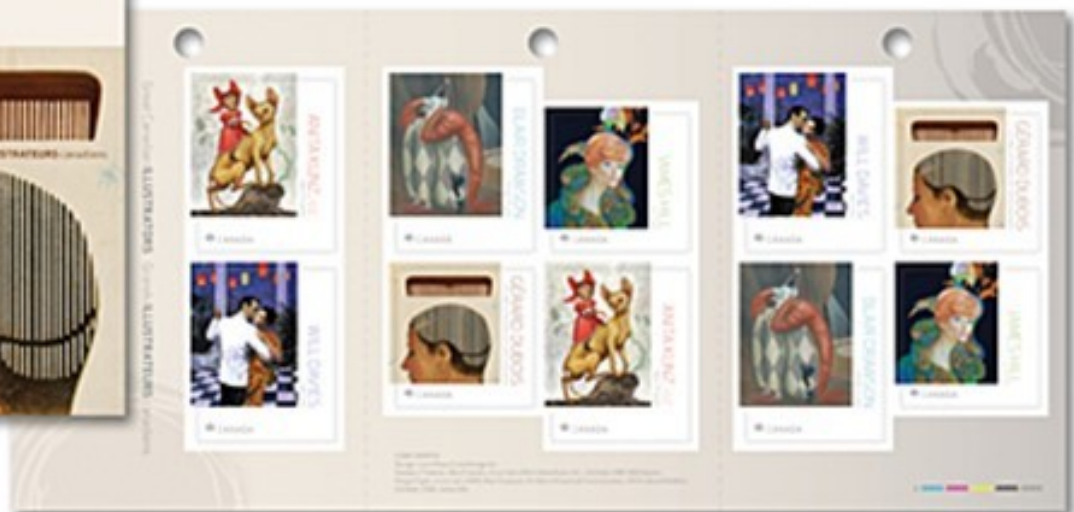
— by Carol j. Edholm, Sno-King Stamp Club

[Ed. note: As a child, Carol remembers visiting an aunt's farm where she raised Peafowl along with chickens and geese. Carol has been an avid stamp collector since eight years of age. She collects and exhibits Peafowl on stamps from around the world.]

Did you notice the Peacocks in each of the illustrations above? These photos appeared in an October 1966 issue of *Redbook*...you know, the magazine our mothers read when we were growing up? I was only four years old in 1966, so I have no idea if mom was subscribing then, or only later when I was in my teen years. This particular issue featured Hair Fashion. Hmmm... looks like hair fashions have changed a bit over the decades since.

These illustrations were designed by James Hill (1930–2004) of Hamilton, Ontario, a popular Canadian illustrator from the 1950s to 1970s. His work appeared in major publications, galleries, and ad campaigns throughout North America. He also produced illustrations for books.

He was a major influence in his field, was named **Artist of the Year** by the Guild of American Artists in 1966, and earned two gold medals from the New York-based Society of Illustrators. (The Artist of the Year award had been previously granted only to Norman Rockwell and James Spanfeller.) The last 25 years of his life were spent on “fine arts, wilderness landscapes, and portraits.”



Peacocks (from page 6)



The first illustration above was turned into a stamp by Canada Post for their Great Canadian Illustrators set of five stamps, issued on 5 April 2018, with denomination “P” for Permanent (like our Forever stamps here in the US). The set of five stamps comes in both souvenir sheet and booklet format.

If you want to start a Peafowl stamp collection, this would be a good stamp set to start off with.

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Canadian Stamp News (<http://canadianstampnews.com/five-great-canadian-illustrators-honoured-in-latest-release/>)
James Hill Covers (<https://www.flickr.com/photos/56781833@N06/sets/72157629336333966/>)
Mintage World (<https://www.mintageworld.com/media/detail/5979-works-canadian-illustrators-celebrated-latest-canadian-stamps/>)
Virtual Stamp Club (<http://virtualstampclub.com/lloydblog/?p=6710>)

APEX Prospectus Available

The Anchorage Philatelic Society will hold a three-day regional show at the Anchorage Senior Center on 28 February through 1 March 2020. The show theme is: *The 1945 Anti-Discrimination Act*, honoring the first anti-discrimination law of the 20th century inspired by Elizabeth Peratrovich and passed by the Alaska Territorial Legislature in 1945.

An exhibit prospectus is available on the club website (www.anchoragephilatelic.org). The exhibit frames hold nine letter-size pages. There is no entry fee. The cut off date for entries is 1 February 2020. Contact Eric Knapp (eknapp@gci.net).

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September 11–13, 2020

Fri. 10AM–6PM
Sat. 10AM–5PM
Sun. 10AM–4PM

**Tukwila Community Center
12424 42nd Avenue South
Tukwila, Washington**

<http://www.seapexshow.org>
Facebook: Seapex: Seattle Philatelic Exhibition

VANPEX 2019



VANPEX 2019 Jury began their judging prior to the opening of the show

— by Jack R. Congrove, Northwest Federation

The Vancouver Philatelic Exhibition (VANPEX) sponsored by the British Columbia Philatelic Society (BCPS) was held at the Nikkei Cultural Centre in Burnaby, British Columbia, on 27–29 September 2019. This year VANPEX was both a regional and national level show commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the BCPS.

The last major national show sponsored by the BCPS in Vancouver was PIPEX held in May 1993.

The show featured eight dealers, all from Canada, and 135 frames of competitive exhibits. Besides the dealers, there were five tables manned by various philatelic and other organizations.

In addition, there was a youth table offering free stamps and other goodies for kids and a consignment table by BCPS members. Among the exhibits were four frames displaying the history of the BCPS and VANPEX that included several historic PIPEX souvenirs.

The philatelic jury of four highly qualified judges was led by Dr. Sam Chiu, from Toronto. Other members of the jury were Ed Kroft from Vancouver, David Piercey from Edmonton, and Arlene Sullivan from Vancouver.

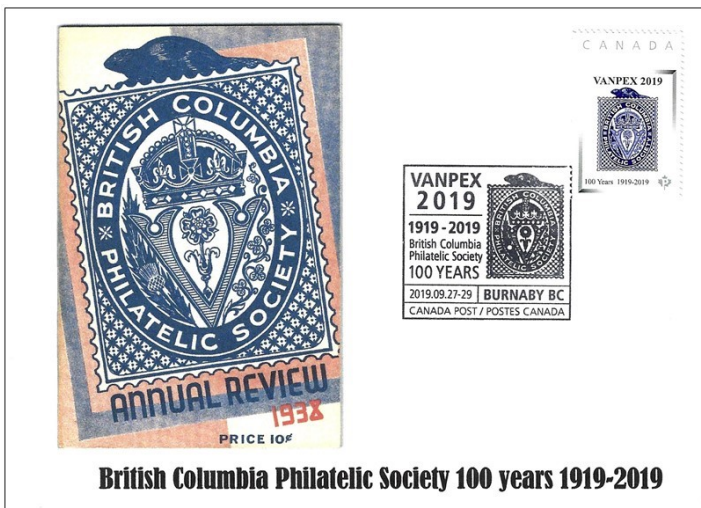
The BCPS is one of the charter members of the Northwest Federation. It joined in 1936, and is one of only three clubs that have been continuous members since then. The other two are the Vancouver Island Philatelic Society and the Washington State Philatelic Society.

Formed in the fall of 1918, the BCPS staged its first exhibition in 1925. It has hosted seven PIPEX shows in 1940, 1953, 1958, 1967, 1973, 1985, and 1993.

As PIPEX used to do, VANPEX still presents trophies for the best exhibits in various categories. The British North America Philatelic Society (BNAPS) also presented their awards at this show.

David McLaughlin received a Large Gold award and won the **Multi-frame Grand Award** and the Best BNA Exhibit Award for *The Maple Leaf Issue of Canada 1897–1898*. This exhibit also won the **BCPS Bury C. Binks Trophy** for the best exhibit of Canada and Provinces.

Jean-Jacques Tillard received a Large Gold award and won the **Reserve Grand Award** for *Saint-Pierre et Miquelon, Le Type "Groupe" 1892–1908*. This exhibit also received the **C.P. Bainbridge Trophy** for the best exhibit of



British Columbia Philatelic Society 100 years 1919-2019

BC Philatelic Society 100th Anniversary Cover

foreign material and the Royal Philatelic Society Canada (RPSC) Excellence in Material Award.

Alexander Globe received a Large Gold award and won the **One Frame Grand Award** for *Digital Analysis of Canada's 2-Ring Obligatory of 1969–1999*. This exhibit also won the **BCPS Single Frame Award** for the best one-frame exhibit and the **Best BNA One-Frame Exhibit Award**.

Ingo Nessel received a Large Gold award and the **BCPS C.S. Neville Trophy** for the best Britain and Commonwealth exhibit for *Hong Kong 1945–46 Postwar Reconstruction of Postal Services*.

Roger Heath received a Large Gold award and the **BCPS Postal History Trophy** for *Reflecting the Rise of Tourism during La Belle Epoque. Hotel Schweitzerhof, Luzern 1870–1914*. This exhibit also received the **RPSC Excellence in Treatment Award**.

Mohd Mujibullah won a Gold award and the **BCPS Ted Lane Trophy** for the best Topical and Thematic exhibit for *Railways*. This exhibit also received the American Topical Association (ATA) **First Award**.

Alexander Globe won a Large Gold award and the **BCPS Aerophilately and Astrophilately Trophy** for *Pioneer Air flights, the Semi-Official Air Post and Canada's Air-mail Development 1918–34*. This exhibit also received the award for the **Best Researched BNA Exhibit**.

Gary Sagar received a Large Vermeil award and the **BCPS Postal Stationery Trophy** for *Postal Stationery of New Zealand 1912–1939*.

Neil Donan received a Large Vermeil award and the **BCPS Blair Henshaw Trophy** for the best Display exhibit for *Liebe Mutter, Mail from Siberia 1915–18*.

Andrew Scott received a Large Gold award and the **Best BNA 2-n-4 Exhibit Award** for *Greetings from Haida Gwaii – the post office and cancellations of BC's Queen Charlotte Archipelago*. This exhibit also received the Postal History Society of Canada **Best BNA Postal History Award**.

Robert Toombs received a Large Gold award and the **BCPS Lt. Col. William Bailey Trophy** for the best Militaria exhibit for *Ferry Command Dorval WWII – the Unusual Postal Rates*. This exhibit also received the **BNAPS Pacific Northwest Regional Group Best Exhibit Award**.

John Keenlyside won a Large Vermeil award and the **BCPS Post Card Award** for *Philip Timms – Images of suburban Vancouver 1900–1910*.

Rob McGuinness received a Vermeil award and the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (AAPE) **Creativity Award** for *Collective Nouns*.

Darcy Hickson received a Large Gold award and the **RPSC Excellence in Title Page/Synopsis** award for *International Stamp Cancelling Machines at Brandon, Manitoba 1907–1919*.

Jean-Jacque Tillard received a Large Gold award and the **RPSC Excellence in Presentation** award for *Saint Pierre et Miquelon, Les Cachete "PP" de 1926*.

The BCPS has no plans at present for a VANPEX show in 2020, until a new show committee is formed.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Regina Philatelic Club Show

February 15–16

Regina Senior Citizens' Centre, Regina, SK

APEX 2020

February 28–March 1

Anchorage Senior Activities Center, Anchorage, AK

VICTOPICAL 2020

March 14–15

Comfort Inn, Victoria, BC

Willamette Valley Stamp Exhibition

March 21

St. Jude's Catholic Church, Eugene, OR

March 22

Scottish Rite Center, Salem, OR

Edmonton Spring Show

March 28–29

Central Lion's Rec Centre, Edmonton, AB

WESTPEX 2020

April 24–26

Airport Marriott Waterfront, San Francisco, CA

Sno-King Show

22 February 2020

Kenmore Community Club

New Venue & Day

7304 NE 175th Street

Kenmore, Washington

Sat 10:00AM–4:00PM

Free Admission

Federation Board Meeting

— by George W. Struble, Salem Stamp Society

[Ed. note: The Board of Directors of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs held a semi-annual meeting at the Vancouver Philatelic Exhibition (VANPEX) stamp show in Burnaby, British Columbia, on 28 September 2019. These are the official minutes of that meeting published here in accordance with the Federation By-Laws.]

Board members attending:

Eric Knapp, Chair
Larry Crain, Executive Secretary
Michael Anderson, Canadian director
Darin Chernwihan, Canadian Director
George Struble, US Director

Newsletter Editor:

Jack Congrove

Others attending:

David Bartlet, Calgary Philatelic Society
Michael Souza, North Shore Numismatic Society
Trevor Larden, British Columbia Philatelic Society
Terry Leishman, Peace Arch Stamp Club
Doreen Leishman, Peace Arch Stamp Club

Board members absent:

Alex Hadden, Treasurer
Jim Hirstein, US Director

The meeting of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs (NWFSC) was called to order by Chair Eric Knapp at 10:01 AM on 28 September 2019, at VANPEX in Burnaby, British Columbia.

The Tacoma Stamp Club, one of the NWFSC founding members, applied for readmission. George Struble moved acceptance; Larry Crain seconded; the motion was passed unanimously.

A draft of Bylaws revisions had been prepared by Michael Anderson before the previous meeting at PIPEX in May 2019. Among proposed changes: (1) remove term limits for the treasurer, (2) ending the requirement for membership in a NWFSC club for eligibility for a Thunderbird ribbon. A committee of Eric Knapp, Michael Anderson, and Jack Congrove will prepare a comprehensive draft of proposed revisions and send it by email to Board members by the end of October. The Board of Directors will agree on the revisions to submit to the NWFSC membership by mid-November, at which time Jack Congrove will publish the proposed revisions in *The Federated Philatelist* that will be distributed about the end of November, to be voted on at the NWFSC Annual Meeting in May 2020.

A Nominating Committee of Darin Chernwihan and Lisa Foster will prepare nominations for the May 2020 election. Expiring terms: Michael Anderson, Eric Knapp, and George Struble.

Larry Crain reminded us that the NWFSC gives awards at PIPEX every year: Member Service Awards, Northwest Distinguished Philatelist, and Federation Meritorious Achievement Award. Nominations for Member Service Awards are made by member societies of the Federation and are not further reviewed; nominations for the other awards should be made to the Executive Secretary by anyone, and should be received three months before PIPEX to allow time for approval by the Board.

Larry Crain also reminded us of the John Arn Symposium at Moses Lake every April, and distributed flyers for the event. He and others present encouraged our attendance.

Eric Knapp adjourned the formal part of the meeting. We then had useful discussions of facilitating exhibits across the US-Canadian border and of strategies for encouraging people to become new members of our clubs.

Larry Crain asked for suggestion of a library to which the Federation can assign its subscription to *The American Philatelist*; the Burnaby, B.C. Library was suggested.

Literature Award Winners

Two Pacific Northwest philatelists have been recognized by the 2019 *La Posta* Prizes for published articles. *La Posta: The Journal of American Postal History*, published by Peter Martin, awards prizes each year for exceptional articles published during the past year.

The **Richard W. Helbock Prize** goes to the best postal history article. **Ralph Nafziger** from Albany, Oregon, received **Honorable Mention** for his article, “William S. Linto: A Prolific Cachetmaker,” published in the fourth quarter issue.

The **Charles A Frick Award** goes to the best “Small Bites of Great American Postal History.” **Louis Fiset** from Seattle, Washington, received the **runner-up award** with “1940 New York World’s Fair Employee Interned.”

La Posta, the self-described “leading journal devoted to American postal history,” is published four times per year and marked its 50th year of publication in 2018. Subscriptions are \$35 per year. For more information, contact: *La Posta* Publications, P.O. Box 6074, Fredericksburg, VA 22403, or email laposta.joan@yahoo.com.

New Oregon Club

Word has come that a new stamp club is forming in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Some collectors have relocated from Northern Nevada where they were members of the Nevada Stamp Study Society, a very active philatelic group based in Reno.

They are still getting organized and deciding on a club name. Because they are meeting at the library, the club will be free for all members.

The club plans to meet on the first Saturday each month from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the South Suburban Branch Library located at 3625 Summers Lane, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

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email: opusnrosebud@centurylink.net

Club Promotion

The Federation wants to help all of its member clubs promote their activities and assist with recruiting new club members. In this regard, we are requesting that each club prepare and update a brochure, or other type of information sheet and provide copies to the Federation for distribution at PIPEX and SEAPEX.

The promotional items could also be copies of the club's current newsletter, or their local show publicity cards.

Contents should include details on where and when the club meets, annual dues amount, as well as contact information to enable interested persons to find out more about the organization.

Send your promotional material to:

Jack R. Congrove
P.O. Box 33092
Fort Lewis, WA 98433

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New Cook Book

Captain Cook, that is. A new book is being published in the first part of 2020 that deals with the subject of the third voyage of Captain James Cook (1728–1779) through the lens of first day and event covers.

Cook's third and final voyage took place between 12 July 1776 and 4 October 1780. During this voyage, Cook was killed in the Hawaiian Islands on 14 February 1779.

The book illustrates about 1,000 covers in approximately 400 full-color pages that highlight the achievements of Cook during this voyage. It includes historical information and charts, artwork on cover from the voyage, and new artwork on cover by modern artists.

It will be published in a strictly limited print run based solely on registered interests received **prior to 15 December 2019**. To register your interest, without any commitment to purchase, contact the author, Daryl Kibble, by email: kibbled@bigpond.com.

Federation Award Nominations

According to the Northwest Federation By-Laws, nominations for Northwest Federation awards are due to the Executive Secretary (larry.crain@gmail.com) no later than 120 days before the next PIPEX show. That date is **10 January 2020**.

The Federation sponsors three different awards, but there is no requirement that any of them be given out each year. However, certainly with almost 40 member organizations, there are deserving people out there, so each club should try to submit some nominations.

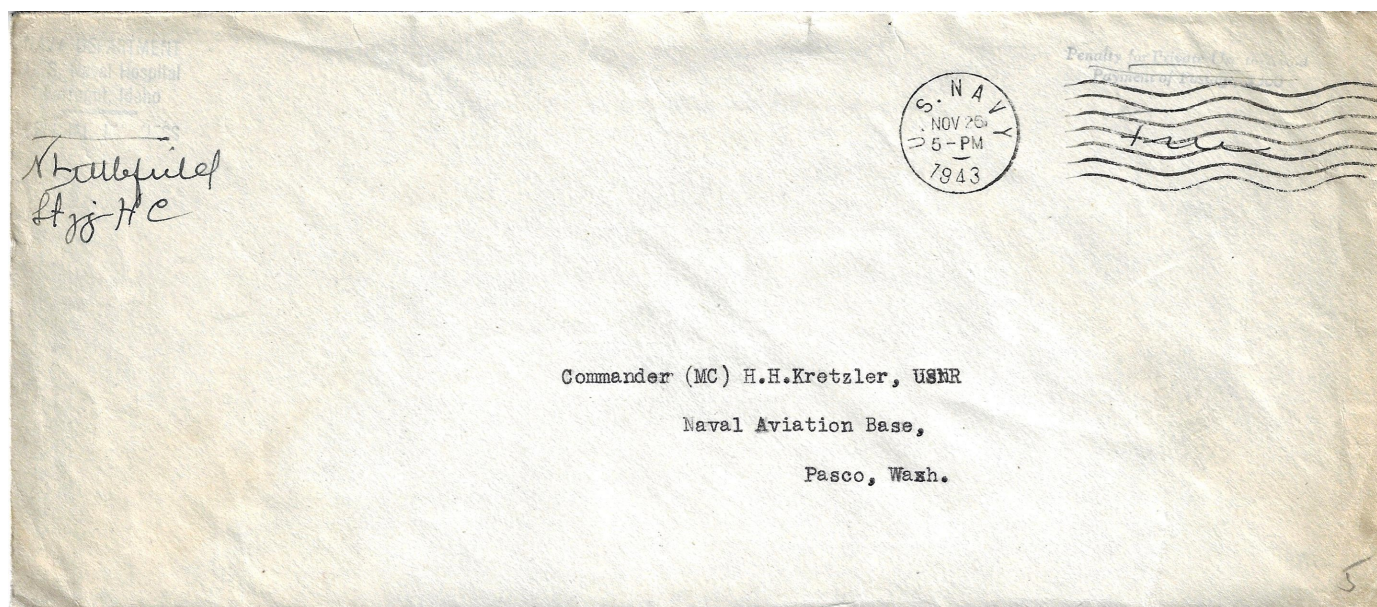
Northwest Distinguished Philatelist Award. The highest award. For outstanding and distinguished service to philately in general.

Federation Meritorious Achievement Award. For outstanding and distinguished service directly to the Northwest Federation

Member Service Award. For outstanding and distinguished local service to a member organization.

See the Federation website and Federation Bylaws for more details.

U.S. WWII Naval Cover



— by Jack R. Congrove, Puget Sound Collectors Club

This cover, posted on 26 November 1943, raises some little-known history of the U.S. Navy activities in the Pacific Northwest during World War II.

The imprinted parts of the penalty envelope have faded over time and are difficult to read in this image. The cover was sent from the U.S. Naval Hospital, Farragut, Idaho, by Lieutenant (j.g.) N. Littlefield, a member of the Hospital Corps, to Commander (Dr.) H. H. Kretzler at the Naval Air Station Pasco, Washington.

At first glance, one wonders what the U.S. Navy was doing in two such land-locked locations, the closest being more than 230 miles (370 km) from the ocean. Unfortunately, the contents of the cover have not accompanied it, so we might presume, since it was sent on official business, that it dealt with some sort of issue related to the U.S. Navy medical field.

Because of concern about “coastal bombings” at the outset of U.S. involvement in World War II, civil authorities sought naval training facilities well inland. A panel of officers selected a site at the south end of Lake Pend Oreille (I hate these French names. Why don’t they just write Pond Oray?) in the northern Idaho panhandle.

Construction began in April 1942, and the base was named Farragut Naval Training Station after Admiral David G. Farragut. By the end of 1942, the base had a population of 55,000, making it the largest “city” in the state and the second largest naval training center in the world after Naval Station Great Lakes.

The base hospital, initially intended to care for recruits undergoing training, was commissioned on 15 January 1943. Original construction provided for 44 wards of 46



beds (2,024 patients) and several service buildings. Fourteen more wards and civilian care facilities came on line in the autumn of 1944. The hospital grounds occupied the east end of the training center shown in the image, above.

Late in the war, as training activity cut back, the hospital absorbed 1,600 more beds to accommodate convalescents and neuropsychiatric patients transferred from other naval hospitals. During its operation, more than 17,000 Corpsmen were trained at the facility.

Both the Naval Training Station and the Hospital were decommissioned on 15 June 1946. Today, Farragut State Park occupies most of the Training Station property and only a handful of the original 667 buildings still stand.

Naval Air Station Pasco was a U.S. Navy air station located two miles northwest of Pasco, Washington. It was built in the early 1940s. During the first part of the war, the field was used to train beginning pilots for combat. During the last half of the war, the mission shifted to training es-

Naval Cover *(from page 12)*

established pilots returning from battle in the use of newer aircraft.

The field was one of the three busiest naval aviation training facilities of the war. About 1,800 pilots trained there with 300 aircraft on base at any one time.

After the war, the Navy sold the field to the city of Pasco and it now serves as the Tri-Cities Airport. The Navy still retains training privileges at the airstrip. Several Navy aircraft, especially the P-3 Orion, use the field for landing and take-off training.

In August 2018, the Navy-built control tower was turned into a museum.

Concerning the sender, I was unable to find any information about Lieutenant Littlefield from the records I could access.

The recipient, Commander Kretzler, was a different matter. Dr. Harry Hamlin Kretzler, Sr. (1896–1982), was born in Hoboken, New Jersey, on 17 September 1896. A veteran of both World War I and World War II, he retired with the rank of Captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve.



NAS Pasco in 1945 looking from north to southeast
(Franklin County Historical Society)

Dr. Kretzler practiced medicine in Edmonds, Washington, for nearly 60 years. He earned his medical degree at the University of Nebraska in 1923. He was active in a wide variety of community organizations, especially the American Legion, in which he served as commander of the local Post 66 as well as district and department commander. In 1960–61, he was the National Vice-Commander. He passed away at Northwest Hospital on 31 December 1982.

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Federation Award Listing

— by Jack R. Congrove, Northwest Federation

The following is a complete listing of previous winners of the two primary Northwest Federation awards: the **Northwest Distinguished Philatelist Award**, and the **Federation Meritorious Achievement Award**. (p) posthumous.

Northwest Distinguished Philatelist Award (2000–date)

2000:	no award
2001:	Richard W. Helbock Oregon & Australia
2002:	Robert T. Kinsley West Richland, WA
2003:	Dr. Wesley N. Shellen Missoula, MT
2004:	Dr. K. Gray Scrimgeour Victoria, BC
2005:	no award
2006:	Howard B. Ness Spokane, WA
2006:	Dr. Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz Portland, OR
2007:	no award
2008:	Dr. Dickson H. Preston Seattle, WA
2009:	Howard A. Mader Aumsville, OR (p)
2010:	Lawrence E. Clay Kennewick, WA
2011:	no award
2012:	Dr. James J. Hirstein Florence, MT
2012:	Ralph H. Nafziger Albany, OR
2013:	Dr. Lyman R. Caswell Tacoma, WA
2013:	Ruth M. Caswell Tacoma, WA
2013:	William R. Geijsbeek, Jr. Redmond, WA
2014:	Anne B. Harris Medical Lake, WA
2014:	Dale E. Forster Portland, OR
2015:	Dr. Michael D. Dixon Portland, OR
2015:	Dr. Louis O. Fiset Seattle, WA
2015:	Dr. Keith R. Spencer Edmonton, AB
2016:	Eric R. Knapp Anchorage, AK
2016:	Jack R. Congrove Fort Lewis, WA
2017:	Michael D. Jaffe Portland, OR
2017:	Dr. George W. Struble Salem, OR
2017:	Lawrence R. Crain Medford, OR
2018:	Cathleen F. Osborne Sequim, WA
2018:	Gerald D. Johnson Kennewick, WA
2019:	Lisa D. Foster Kent, WA
2019:	Roger A. Heath Port Townsend, WA

Federation Meritorious Achievement Award (2000–)

2001:	Elizabeth F. Reanier Eugene, OR
2005:	Leonard G. Lukens Portland, OR
2010:	Carol J. Edholm Mountlake Terrace, WA
2012:	J. Alex Hadden Richmond, BC
2012:	Larry D. Mann Mukilteo, WA
2013:	David E. Harris Medical Lake, WA
2018:	Anne B. Harris Medical Lake, WA

Prior to the year 2000, the Federation only offered a single recognition award named the **Roll of Distinguished Philatelists**. This award was replaced by the Distinguished Philatelist Award. After the charter award winners and until 1990, this award was only given to a single individual each year except for cases of posthumous awards.

Roll of Distinguished Philatelists (1960–1999)

1960:	Capt. Bury C. Binks	Vancouver, BC
1960:	Fred E. Carver	Yakima, WA
1960:	Margaret R. Carver	Yakima, WA
1960:	Henry C. Hitt	Bremerton, WA (p)
1960:	Edwin R. Payne	Salem, OR
1960:	Reinhold R. Thiele	Tacoma WA (p)
1960:	Albert M. Van Dahl	Albany, OR (p)
1960:	Arlene L. Van Dahl	Albany, OR
1960:	Gerald E. Wellburn	Duncan, BC
1960:	William W. Wylie	Albany, OR
1961:	Cecil F. Blogg	Tacoma, WA
1962:	George M. Martin	Yakima, WA
1963:	J. Burton Slough	Vancouver, BC
1964:	Dr. Gerald B. Smith	Woodburn, OR
1965:	Col. Charles L. Marston, Jr.	Spokane, WA
1966:	Jack B. Bates	Olympia, WA
1967:	Ervall J. Newcomer	Yakima, WA
1968:	Russell A. Long	Spokane, WA
1969:	Alexander A. Barnet	Portland, OR
1970:	William E. Topping	Richmond, BC
1971:	Winnifred H. Young	Bellingham, WA
1972:	George H. Melvin	Vernon, BC
1973:	R. Thurlow Fraser	Rossland, BC
1974:	Deane C. Bartley	Seattle, WA (p)
1974:	Kenneth A. Wood	Albany, OR
1975:	Lester E. Small	Victoria, BC
1976:	J. Pascoe (Jack) Taylor	Agassiz, BC
1977:	Fred Wanderer	Portland, OR
1978:	H. Richard Robinson	Salem, OR
1979:	no award	
1980:	Peter Sternberg	Vancouver, BC
1981:	Louise P. Cochran	Tacoma, WA
1982:	Florence H. Waldron	Portland, OR
1983:	Ingeburg L. Fisher	Spokane, WA
1984:	no award	
1985:	Dr. C. T. Jones	Seattle, WA (p)
1985:	Harold W. Flansburgh	Seattle, WA (p)
1985:	Henry W. Whittaker	Vancouver, BC (p)
1986:	Thomas G. Current	Portland, OR
1986:	William G. Robinson	Vancouver, BC
1987:	no award	
1988:	John W. White	Portland, OR
1989:	no award	
1990:	Robin C. M. Clarke	Victoria, BC
1990:	James W. Graue	Spokane, WA
1990:	Dr. Donald M. L. Shorting	Victoria, BC
1991:	Kenneth Barlow	Vancouver, BC
1991:	William C. Thorne	Vancouver, BC
1991:	Eugene H. Walters	Tigard, OR
1992:	Gilbert M. Hulin	Eugene, OR
1992:	Georgia M. Moen	Spokane, WA
1993:	no award	

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VICPEX 2019



Mary & Jim Miller with Helen Jaques



Beth Howard & Cathie Osborne



Steve Pattison with exhibits

VICPEX 2019 was held on 5–6 October at the Comfort Inn in Victoria, British Columbia, hosted by the Vancouver Island Philatelic Society (VIPS) and the Greater Victoria Philatelic Society (GVPS).

The show featured 15 exhibits by club members, 12 of which received Gold Awards.

Gray Scrimgeour won the **Gerald E. Wellburn Trophy** presented to the best exhibit demonstrating originality, innovation, or pride for *Canadian Trans Pacific Mails in 1941*.

Scrimgeour also received the **Clarke Horning Trophy** awarded to the best Postal History display for *Early Postal History of New Westminster*.

Don Shorting won the **Bill Sach Trophy** awarded to the best display exhibition of Canadian material and the **Best BNA 2 to 4 Frame Award** for *Assiniboia Town Cancels*.

Jack Isaacson received the **Lester Small Trophy** awarded to the best exhibit of Foreign material for *Christmas Seals of Denmark*.

Reg Smart won the **Reg Nairne Trophy** for the best Novice exhibit by a GVPS or VIPS member for *Stamp Collecting ca. 1949*.

Lee Dowsley received the **Frank Dyment Memorial Trophy** awarded to the best display exhibit by a GVPS member for *Prisoners of War*.

Ian Mowat received the **Eric Hamber Trophy** awarded to the best exhibit by a VIPS member on any facet of the British Commonwealth/Empire and the **Best BNA Exhibit Award** for *Yukon Revenues 1898–1962*.

Don Shorting won the **Best BNA One Frame Exhibit** for *Newfoundland Registered Mail to Foreign Destinations: 1895 to 1947*.

Bob Stock won the **Centennial Award** for *Community Celebrations in Oxford County, Ontario*.

Other exhibitors receiving Gold Awards were Jack Isaacson for *Stamps of Canada: Part 3*; Don Shorting for *Mourning Cards*; and Jack Wallace for *Airmail to and from Vancouver & Victoria* and also *Canadian Pacific Employees Postcards*.

Robin Mowat received a Vermeil Award for *A "Purrfect" Life* and Jack Wallace received a Silver Award for *1937 Coronation*.

VICPEX 2020 will take place 3–4 October at the same venue.

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1994: Donald P. Mitchell	Portland, OR
1994: Dr. Hugh W. Johnston	Spokane, WA
1995: John D. Arn	Colbert, WA
1995: Leonard G. Lukens	Portland, OR
1996: Thomas D. Pomeroy	Salem, OR
1997: no award	
1998: John W. T. Taylor	Vernon, BC
1999: Donald H. Lengacher	Portland, OR
1999: Frances Newsom	Eugene, OR
1999: Dr. Vance L. Terrall	Portland, OR

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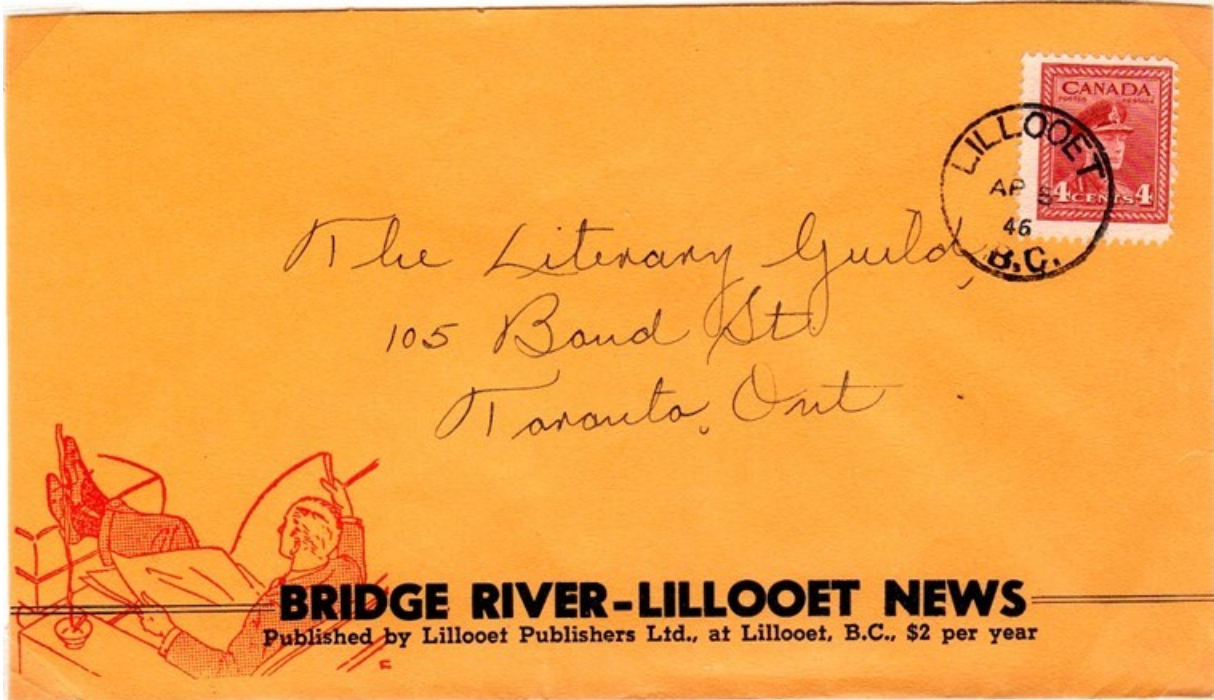
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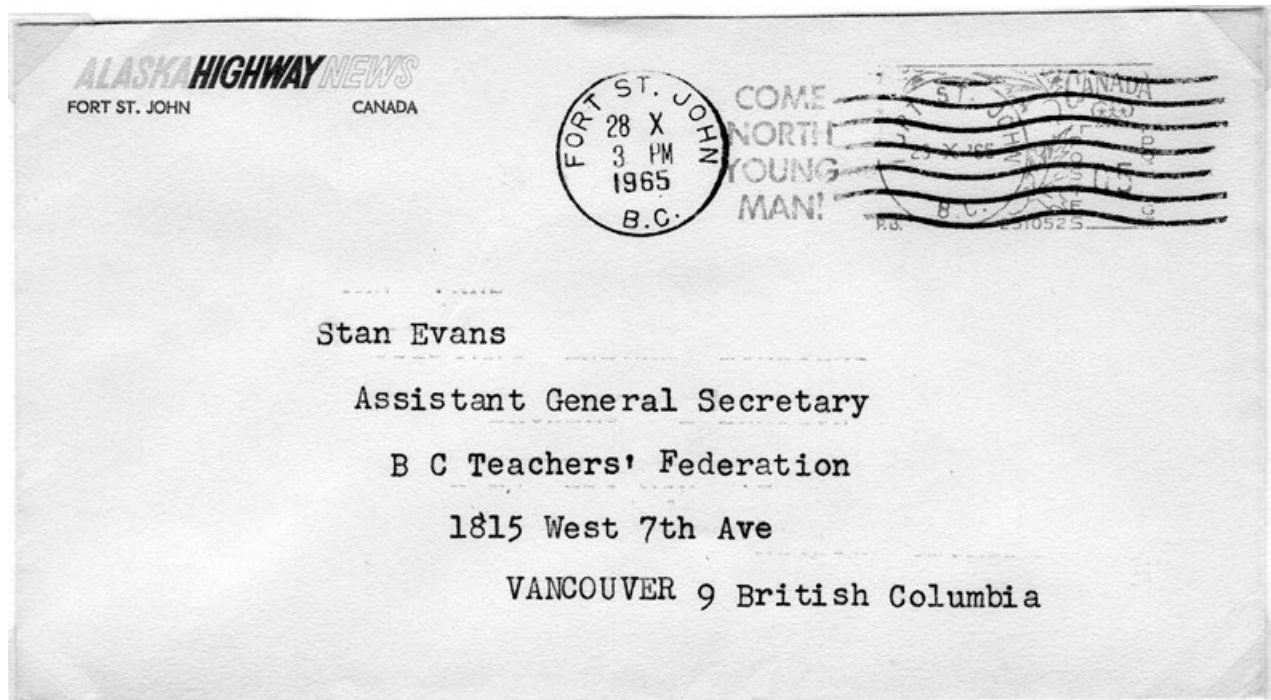
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Small Town BC Newspapers



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Original advertising meter cancel overlain by Fort St. John machine cancel of the same date, 28 October 1965. First class rate 5¢.

— by Peter Jacobi, BNAPS-PNW

Bridge River-Lillooet News

The story of this newspaper is the story of Margaret “MA” Murray, who was born on 3 August 1888, in Windy Ridge, Kansas, the seventh of nine children of an Irish

immigrant family. In 1912, she arrived in Vancouver and took a job as a bookkeeper with George Murray’s *Vancouver Chinook* newspaper. She and George were married on 5 March 1913.

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Soon thereafter their two children were born and the depressed war economy required George and Margaret to work at numerous jobs to keep body and soul together. They started several new publications and George wrote articles for the *Province* to make ends meet.



Margaret Murray
(1888-1982)

In 1933, George Murray went to the Peace River district and got into local politics, winning the Lillooet riding for the provincial Liberals. This success was repeated in 1937. In the meantime, on 1 March 1934, George and Margaret launched the first issue of their *Bridge River-Lillooet News*.

Alaska Highway News

Shortly after George Murray lost his third bid to represent Lillooet in the provincial legislature in 1941, he went to Fort St. John and started the *Alaska Highway News*. His wife Margaret joined him and left their son Dan to run the *Bridge River-Lillooet News*.

In 1949, George Murray ran for a federal seat in the Cariboo riding and won for the Liberals. This required more hands-on time for Margaret to spend with the paper.

George died in 1961 and Margaret remained active in publishing. Over the years, she garnered many accolades, including the "Order of Canada" in 1971, as well as an honorary Doctorate of Laws from Simon Fraser University. She passed away in 1982.

— by Steve Bucknum, Central Oregon Postal Collective

The Central Oregon Postal Collective held its first stamp show on 28 September 2019, in the fellowship hall of the Zion Lutheran Church in Redmond, Oregon. A total of five dealers came to this bourse: Harmer-Schau, Uptown Stamp Show, R.G. Stamps and Covers, Ed Dimmick Stamps, and Grant's Stamps.

Seven members of the club set up the space the night before. Care was taken to note the location of every table and chair, so that they could be returned to the exact spot to please the church ladies following the show on Sunday morning. Then the next morning, the doors were opened for loading at 8:00 AM. By 10:00 AM, the dealers were set up, and the doors were opened to the public.

This was the first stamp show in Central Oregon in approximately 40 years. This area is about 150 miles from the towns in the Willamette Valley where stamp shows are more commonly held. These factors combined to make this more of a buying event for the dealers than a selling event. All advertising for the show had stressed that people who had inherited collections were welcome to bring them in to the dealers. About 20 collections were in fact purchased during the six hours that the show was open. The total attendance was at 60 people.

The club provided lunch and beverages to the dealers and its members during the show. During the day of the show, between monitoring the show and having both a club table and kids table, and during the take down, 16 club members participated in the show. At the end, all the tables and chairs were returned to their exact original positions.

The club debriefed the show at its meeting the following weekend. Generally, feedback was good from dealers. Those selling covers and individual stamps found that part of their business was a little slow. However, overall the show was seen as profitable.

The members gave positive feedback. While not a lot of children used the kids table, it did bring in some families that otherwise would not have attended. At least two new club members were found through the show, and one visitor will be providing a future program at a club meeting.

We think we will be doing this again.

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Federation Bylaws Proposed Revision

[Ed note: At the Federation Annual General Meeting (AGM) last year, the Federation adopted a revised set of Bylaws. This was done because the previous version was severely outdated, and, in fact, no one was exactly sure which among several undated versions was the one legally in effect.

At that AGM, it was noted that more changes were needed and a committee was appointed to continue reviewing the document and submit a proposed updated revision for consideration at the AGM in 2020. The committee has completed its work and the Federation Board of Directors has reviewed and approved the result. Herewith, we are publishing the proposed draft revision in accordance with the requirements in the current Bylaws.

The Federation Board asks that member clubs review the revised document and be prepared to discuss and vote on it at the next AGM. Copies of both the current Bylaws and this proposed revision are available for download at the Federation website (www.nwfedstamps.org).

The two most significant changes are the elimination of term limits for the Federation Treasurer and removal of the details for the Federation awards. The award information will be published in a separate policy letter that will enable making adjustments and additions without having to go through the complications of amending the Bylaws.

Please submit any questions or comments to the Executive Secretary (larry.crain@gmail.com.)]

NORTHWEST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS - BYLAWS

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ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Application for Membership

- a. An organization applying for membership agrees that it will abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs (hereinafter referred to as the "Federation").
- b. Application Forms, Annual Report Forms, and copies of the Federation's Constitution and Bylaws may be obtained from the Executive Secretary.
- c. The organization's Application will include a completed Annual Report Form plus the organization's profile.
- d. Applications for membership shall be accompanied by payment of Federation dues in U.S. funds or the Canadian equivalent.

Section 2. Review and Approval of Application

- a. The Executive Secretary shall review the application for completeness and for receipt of dues. Notice of the application shall be published in the next issue of *The Federated Philatelist*, the Federation journal.
- b. The Board of Directors shall then review the application within thirty (30) days after publication. Its decision shall be final.

Section 3. Resignation from Membership

- a. A member organization may resign from the Federation at any time by notifying the Executive Secretary.

Section 4. Termination of Membership

- a. Membership in the Federation may be terminated for non-payment of dues, or non-submittal of Annual Report after July 1st.
- b. Official notification of such pending action will be sent to the member organization by the Executive Secretary.

Section 5. Reinstatement

- a. Reinstatement of membership after termination for any reason, including resignation, shall be only by application as a new member.

ARTICLE II. DUES AND ANNUAL REPORT

Section 1. Dues Payment

- a. Annual dues shall be:
 1. For a fiscal year.
 2. Due and payable on January 1st for the ensuing year.
 3. Considered delinquent if unpaid by April 1st.
- b. Annual dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors and published in *The Federated Philatelist*.
- c. Dues for new member applications submitted:
 1. Before July 1st shall be the full year's dues.
 2. After July 1st shall be one-half of the full year's dues.

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Section 2. Annual Report

- a. The Annual Report from the member organization shall include contact information for the organization's President, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Federation Representative.
- b. The Annual Report to the Federation for each member organization shall be considered delinquent if not received by April 1st.
- c. A summary report shall be prepared by the Executive Secretary and distributed to the members along with the announcement and agenda of the Annual General Meeting.

Section 3. Delinquency

- a. Member organizations delinquent with dues or Annual Report shall not be entitled to vote.

ARTICLE III. MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Section 1. Organization Contact

- a. Each member organization shall designate one person to be the organization's contact with the Federation. That person, the Federation Representative, as well as the organization's President, Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor will receive by email all official Federation correspondence including dues notices and mail ballots.
- b. The official Federation contact for a member organization shall be the Federation Executive Secretary.
- c. Dues shall be paid directly to the Federation Treasurer.
- d. Correspondence relating to specific areas (e.g., judging, youth activities) should be addressed to the appropriate Director, Officer, or Committee Chair.

Section 2. Organization Responsibilities

- a. Pay Federation dues and file an Annual Report promptly (by April 1st), support the Federation's annual exhibition (PIPEX), and reply to official correspondence in a timely manner.
- b. Keep the Federation informed of significant changes in the organization, especially changes in the names and addresses of the positions requested in the Annual Report.
- c. Keep the Federation informed of stamp shows sponsored by the member organization.
- d. Send copies of the organization's bulletin or newsletter to (1) the Editor of *The Federated Philatelist*; and (2) the Executive Secretary.

Section 3. Representation at Federation Meetings

- a. Any one of the President, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, or Federation Representative may be the organization's representative to vote at the annual meeting.
 1. The primary function is to represent the organization at Federation meetings.
 2. In order to vote, each representative must be registered with the Federation either through the Annual Report, or by letter to the Executive Secretary.
- b. If no official representative of a member organization is able to attend a Federation meeting, the organization shall then be permitted to designate a person to carry its proxy vote.
 1. Such designation shall be made in writing to the Executive Secretary and signed by a person listed on the Annual Report.
 2. No person, including Federation Directors and Officers, may hold more than two proxy votes.

Section 4. Responsibilities of Representatives

- a. An organization's representative shall:
 1. Act for and represent the member organization at any meeting of the Federation.
 2. Report back to the member organization on the activities and concerns of the Federation and of other members that arise from the meeting.
 3. Promote active participation of the member organization and its members in the activities of the Federation including, but not limited to, involvement in Federation committees and in the Federation's annual exhibition (PIPEX).
 4. Respond to requests by Federation officers, committees, or members for information, opinions, or positions on issues and other matters of concern to the Federation or its members.
- b. Representatives shall sign in at every meeting. They shall indicate the member organization that they represent and the organizations for which they hold proxies, submitting the signed proxy to the Executive Secretary.

ARTICLE IV. ADMINISTRATION

Section 1. Structure

- a. The Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs will be governed and managed by:
 1. An elected Board of Directors,
 2. Elected Officers, namely an Executive Secretary, Chair of the Board, and a Treasurer.
 3. Committee chairs as appointed by the Board of Directors.
 4. Committee members as appointed by the Board of Directors or by the committee chair.

Section 2. Directors, Officers, and Committee Members

- a. Directors, Officers, and Committee members must belong to a member organization.
- b. Directors, Officers, and Committee members must be residents of the geographical area of the Federation.

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- c. Directors, Officers, and Committee members whose status changes due to the loss of membership by their organization may serve out their term, not to exceed a period of two years.
- d. Individuals elected to office at the Annual General Meeting shall start their term of office immediately following the Annual General Meeting, and serve their term through the appropriate ensuing Annual General Meeting. Those appointed to fill unfinished terms of elected offices shall serve the remainder of the original term.
- e. Committee members appointed to office by the Board of Directors shall start their term of office immediately. They shall serve indefinitely unless the Board of Directors specifies a finite term.
- f. Any Director, Officer, or Committee member, elected or appointed, may be removed from office by a majority vote of all of the members of the Board of Directors for any of the following reasons:
 - 1. Actions that adversely affect the Federation, or its members.
 - 2. Conflict with the best interests of the Federation, or its members.
 - 3. Misappropriation of Federation funds.

Section 3. Financial

- a. The fiscal year of the Federation shall begin on the first day of January in each year.
- b. The Federation will operate as a non-profit organization in that no part of Federation funds or other assets shall accrue to the personal benefit of any of its individual members or its officers.
- c. The Federation will maintain both American and Canadian bank accounts to minimize the impact of its dual-country status.
- d. All Treasurer's reports will be complete with all accounts and shall be presented in both US funds and Canadian funds.
- e. Each fiscal year's Treasurer's report will be subjected to a financial review, as directed by the Board.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

Section 1. Annual General Meeting

- a. The Annual General Meeting of the Representatives shall be held during PIPEX. In any year in which PIPEX is not held, the Board of Directors shall designate a time and place for the Annual General Meeting. The meeting shall:
 - 1. Follow an agenda organized by the Executive Secretary.
 - 2. Be conducted by the Chair of the Board of Directors, or his/her designated replacement.
 - 3. Be open as a courtesy to all members of member organizations, their guests, and other visitors.
- b. The recording secretary of the Board of Directors, or a replacement, shall be the secretary of the annual General Meeting.
- c. The purpose of the Annual General Meeting shall be to allow member organizations to:
 - 1. Review the state of affairs of the Federation.
 - 2. Review the prior year's activities.
 - 3. Review the Federation's finances.
 - 4. Make input into the affairs of the Federation.
 - 5. Elect Directors and Officers.
- d. Nominations must be solicited for all expiring positions.
 - 1. All nominations shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary or to the Chair of the Nominations Committee at least ninety (90) days prior to the Annual General Meeting. Nominations may be made by:
 - a) Member organizations.
 - b) Individual Directors.
 - c) The Nominations Committee.
 - 2. At least sixty (60) days prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Nominations Committee shall review the qualifications of the nominees and ascertain their willingness to serve.
 - 3. Nominations may be made at the Annual General Meeting provided that the candidate has indicated a willingness to serve.
- e. Preparations for the Annual General Meeting shall include:
 - 1. Publishing the date and time of the Annual General Meeting in *The Federated Philatelist* at least forty-five (45) days prior to the meeting.
 - 2. Publishing the names of the nominees for Directors and Officers in *The Federated Philatelist* at least forty-five (45) days prior to the meeting.
- f. The order of business of the Annual General Meeting shall follow Robert's Rules of Order.
- g. Quorum for the Annual General Meeting is eleven (11)—counting members of the Board of Directors and representatives from the member organizations, including those in attendance by proxy.
- h. The minutes of an Annual General Meeting shall be included in the next issue of *The Federated Philatelist*.

Section 2. Special Meetings

- a. A Special Meeting can be called upon a written petition of at least five member organizations, or by the Board of Directors.
 - 1. The call must state the specific purpose for the Special Meeting.
 - 2. If by petition, it must be signed by an officer of each of the petitioning organizations.
- b. The meeting must be scheduled no earlier than forty-five (45) days following its being called and no later than ninety (90) days.

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1. Notification must be made at least thirty (30) days before the special meeting to each organization and to each person listed on the Annual Report.
2. The meeting will be chaired by the Chair of the Board of Directors or his/her designee unless called by petition that designates another chair for the Special Meeting, providing that all other Bylaws are honored.
- c. The order of business of a Special Meeting shall include, but shall not be limited to:
 1. Sign-in of attendees.
 2. Introductions.
 3. Business for which the meeting was called.
- d. The minutes of any Special Meeting shall be published in the next issue of *The Federated Philatelist*.

Section 3. Voting

- a. The following shall have one vote each at the Annual General Meeting, or at any Special Meeting, or in any electronic or mail voting when such is deemed prudent:
 1. Each member organization.
 2. Each Director.
 3. Each Officer.
- b. All issues voted upon at any such meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE VI. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Structure

- a. There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of seven members as follows:
 1. Two Directors, both elected Canadian residents.
 2. Two Directors, both elected United States residents.
 3. The Executive Secretary.
 4. The Treasurer.
 5. The Chair of the Board of Directors.
- b. To be properly constituted, the Board of Directors must have a minimum of five active members except for the purpose of appointing replacement positions.
- c. Members appointed to complete unfilled terms of Director, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, and Chair of the Board of Directors shall have the same rights and responsibilities as those elected.

Section 2. Directly Elected Members of the Board of Directors

- a. The four directly elected Directors shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
 1. One Canadian and one United States resident shall be elected each year and shall serve a term of two years. Each Director shall:
 - a) Attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.
 - b) Present to the Executive Secretary a written report of his/her activities as a Director at least one month prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Federation for inclusion in the Annual Report of the Federation.
 2. The three Officers shall be elected to terms of three years, one each year: the Chair of the Board in years (last two digits) divisible by 3, the Executive Secretary the next year and the Treasurer the next year; thus the Chair of the Board in 2018, the Executive Secretary in 2019, and the Treasurer in 2020, etc.
- b. Except for the office of Treasurer, no directly elected member of the Board of Directors shall be elected to more than four consecutive terms. Their service shall not be reduced as the result of having been appointed to the position.
- c. A directly elected member of the Board of Directors who leaves the Board for any reason shall be replaced by an appointee chosen by the remaining Directors.

Section 3. General Duties of the Board of Directors

- a. The Board of Directors shall determine policies and the overall direction of Federation affairs consistent with its Constitution and Bylaws.
- b. The Board of Directors shall, within thirty (30) days following each Annual General Meeting, elect a Recording Secretary from among its members.
- c. Duties of the Board of Directors shall include:
 1. Appointing Chairs of all Committees.
 2. Implementing motions passed at the Annual General Meeting.
 3. Studying and acting upon proposals for the advancement of philately and for the strengthening of the Federation.
 4. Reviewing and approving a budget developed by the Executive Secretary for the following Fiscal Year. The Federation Treasurer shall present the budget at the Annual General Meeting.
 5. Appointing an outside examiner to conduct a financial review of the Federation's Financial Statement for the prior Fiscal Year. The examiner's reports shall be made to the Chair of the Board of Directors.
 6. Reviewing and approving all new programs with expenditures exceeding \$300.00 US annually. The Board of Directors shall consider the advisability of the expense, the methods of financing, and the impact on the budget. It shall report its actions at the next Annual General Meeting.
 7. Reviewing annually the Constitution and the Bylaws.

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- d. The Board of Directors shall appoint:
 - 1. A replacement for any vacated position of Director, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, or Chair of the Board.
 - 2. A chairperson or any other position that the Board of Directors creates to promote the objects, purposes, and aims of the Federation.
- e. Regarding the National Philatelic Shows in the geographic area of the Federation, the Board of Directors shall:
 - 1. Assist the PIPEX Host Committee in its preparations for PIPEX.
 - 2. Confirm that the PIPEX Host Committee is complying with Article XI of these Bylaws.
 - 3. Encourage inclusion of an Education, Development, and Advancement (EDA) program at PIPEX or any other national show.

Section 4. Board of Director Meetings

- a. The Board of Directors shall meet not less than once between Annual General Meetings. Meetings may be conducted in person or by any mutually agreed technological means. A summary of all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be published in *The Federated Philatelist*.
- b. The Chair of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. In the absence of the Chair, the Board of Directors shall appoint a Board member as chair of that meeting.
- c. Meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by:
 - 1. The Chair of the Board.
 - 2. A majority of all of the members of the Board of Directors.
- d. Board of Directors meetings may be held by telephone, an electronic means, or mail provided that minutes are prepared and distributed to all Board members. All decisions by the Board of Directors shall be recorded in the minutes.
- e. Unless specified otherwise by the Bylaws, decisions of Board of Directors require a majority of all of the members of the Board.

ARTICLE VII. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Section 1. Position

- a. The Executive Secretary shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall serve a term of three years.
- b. The Executive Secretary shall be elected to no more than three consecutive three-year terms. His/her service shall not be reduced as the result of having been appointed to the position.
- c. An Executive Secretary who leaves office for any reason shall be replaced by an appointee determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Specific Duties of the Executive Secretary

- a. The primary function of the Executive Secretary is to oversee the operation of the Federation on a day-to-day basis consistent with policies set by the Board of Directors and the Annual General Meeting.
- b. Additional duties include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Handling the correspondence of the Federation.
 - 2. Keeping a current roster of all Federation Directors, Officers, Committee Chairs, Committee members, publication Editor, and other official positions.
 - 3. Keeping a current roster of all members, together with the names and addresses of their contacts and their meeting dates.
 - 4. Assisting the PIPEX Committee in its preparations for PIPEX.
 - 5. Preparing the budget for the next Fiscal Year for approval by the Board of Directors and then for presentation at the Annual General Meeting. The budget shall reflect anticipated income, expenses, and year-end reserves.
 - 6. Preparing and presenting the Federation Annual Report to the Annual General Meeting. This report shall cover the period since the prior Annual General Meeting and may contain inputs from the Executive Secretary, the Chair of the Board of Directors, individual Directors, Committee Chairs, and others, as appropriate.
 - 7. Carrying out such other duties as are requested by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII. TREASURER

Section 1. Position

- a. The Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall serve a term of three years.
- b. A Treasurer who leaves office for any reason shall be replaced by an appointee determined by the Board of Directors.
- c. At the discretion of the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall be bonded.

Section 2. Specific Duties of the Treasurer

- a. The primary function of the Treasurer is to oversee the day-to-day financial operations of the Federation.
- b. Additional duties include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Payment of approved bills in a timely manner.
 - 2. Verification that all expenses presented have been approved by an Officer.
 - 3. Solicitation, collection, and tracking of dues and Annual Reports of member organizations.
 - 4. Preparation of a Financial Statement for the prior Fiscal Year.
 - 5. Preparation and maintenance of a rolling three-year financial plan for the Federation reflecting anticipated income and expenses by category.

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6. Presentation of the approved budget for the following Fiscal Year to the Annual General Meeting.
- c. All expenses paid by the Treasurer shall be approved by an Officer. No Officer may approve his/her own expenses.

ARTICLE IX. CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Section 1. Position

- a. The Chair of the Board shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall serve a term of three years.
- b. The Chair of the Board who leaves office for any reason shall be replaced by an appointee determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Specific Duties of the Chair of the Board

- a. The primary function of the Chair of the Board is to preside at the Annual General Meeting, at any Special Meetings (subject to Article V, Section 2), and at all Board of Directors meetings.
- b. Additional duties include, but are not limited to:
 1. Keeping an accurate record of the transactions of the Annual General Meeting, any special Meetings, and all Board of Directors meetings. The Chair shall cause the minutes to be published as required by the Bylaws.
 2. Presenting a written report of his/her activities for the previous year to the Executive Secretary at least one month prior to the Annual General Meeting for inclusion in the Annual Report of the Federation.

ARTICLE X. OFFICERS

Section 1. Positions

- a. The three Officer positions are: the Chair of the Board, the Executive Secretary, and the Treasurer.

Section 2. Fiduciary Responsibilities

- a. Only the Officers of the Federation shall be able to contract and bind the Federation to incur financial obligations.
- b. The financial limits to which the Officers can contractually obligate the Federation are (per occurrence):
 1. The Chair of the Board of Directors: \$300 US.
 2. The Chair of the Board of Directors, with Board approval: Unlimited.
 3. The Executive Secretary: \$300 US.
 4. The Treasurer: \$150 US.
 5. No Officer may approve his/her own expenses.

ARTICLE XI. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Committees

- a. The following five Standing Committees shall be established and maintained by the Board of Directors:
 1. The Nominations Committee.
 2. The Judging Committee.
 3. The Youth Committee.
 4. The Education, Development, and Advancement (EDA) Committee.
 5. The Publications Committee.
- b. Additional Committees and Positions may be established as the Board of Directors deems necessary.

Section 2. Committee Members

- a. Each Committee shall have a Chair who shall be:
 1. Responsible for carrying out the duties and business of the Committee.
 2. Responsible to the Executive Secretary.
 3. Appointed by and serve at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- b. All Committee members, except as noted in this Article, shall be nominated by the Committee Chair and approved by the Executive Secretary. Committee members serve at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- c. Unless otherwise specified by either the Bylaws or by the Board of Directors, committee personnel may serve indefinite terms.

Section 3. Nominations Committee

- a. There shall be a Nominations Committee to search for qualified candidates to:
 1. Stand for election to office at the Annual General Meeting.
 2. Be considered for appointment to office by the Board of Directors.
- b. The Board of Directors shall appoint a Chair and two other committee members. One member will be a Canadian resident and one member will be a United States resident. They shall represent as wide a geographical area as possible. Their terms will be indefinite.
- c. The Nominations Committee will:
 1. Solicit nominations from the general membership.
 2. Seek potential nominees.
 3. Prepare and maintain a list of current and future potential nominees.
 4. Prepare a list of nominees for offices as directed by the Executive Secretary and screen the nominees to assure compliance with Article IV, Section 2, and determine their willingness to serve.

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5. Publish a list of nominees for elected positions in The Federated Philatelist at least forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Section 4. Judging Committee

- a. There shall be a Judging Committee to be responsible for training and certifying new judges for local/regional shows and for assigning judges, if requested by the local show committee. It is understood that because of the distances within the Federation, the judging committee cannot guarantee a judge will be assigned to every local/regional show.
- b. The Board of Directors shall appoint a Chair of the Judging Committee who may serve an indefinite term.
- c. The Chair of the Judging Committee shall appoint at least two other members to the committee. At least one committee member must be a nationally accredited judge.
- d. The Judging Committee will be responsible for keeping up-to-date with the current APS manual for judging and exhibitions.

Section 5. Youth Committee

- a. There shall be a Youth Committee to promote philately for youth in general at local/regional or national shows.
- b. The Committee Chair shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall serve an indefinite term. The Chair of the Youth Committee shall appoint other members as necessary.
- c. The Federation shall create a fund to promote and assist philately for youth. The Chair of the Youth Committee shall present to the Annual General Meeting:
 1. A budget.
 2. A report on the previous year's activities.
 3. An accounting of the prior year's funds.
 4. A plan for the current year.

Section 6. EDA Committee

- a. There shall be an Education, Development, and Advancement committee to promote philatelic Education, Development, and Advancement within the Federation.
- b. The Committee shall consist of three members, one of them the Chair, appointed by the Board of Directors. One member shall be appointed each year and serve a three-year term.
- c. The duties of the EDA Committee shall include:
 1. In consultation-with member organizations, encourage exchange of speakers.
 2. In consultation-with the Youth Committee, plan youth activities.
 3. In consultation-with local/regional shows, develop and establish guidelines for Federation support and involvement in the organization and operation of local and regional exhibitions.
 4. When requested, assist the organizers of the John D. Arn Philatelic Symposium.

Section 7. The Publications Committee

- a. There shall be a Publications Committee to publish the Federation journal, *The Federated Philatelist*, and other brochures and documents as required. The Chair of the committee will also be the Editor of *The Federated Philatelist*.
- b. The Committee Chair shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall serve an indefinite term. The Chair of the Publications Committee shall appoint other committee members as necessary.

Section 8. The Federation Historian

- a. There shall be a position titled Federation Historian. This person shall preserve the records and memorabilia of the Federation.
- b. The Federation Historian shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall serve an indefinite term.

ARTICLE XII. EXHIBITIONS

Section 1. Annual Exhibition of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs (PIPEX)

- a. An annual philatelic exhibition, known as the Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition (PIPEX), shall be held in conjunction with each Annual General Meeting. The exhibition shall be sponsored by the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs.
- b. The Northwest Federation may organize and operate PIPEX itself, may contract with a member organization to organize and operate PIPEX, or may contract with a group specifically created to organize and operate PIPEX.
- c. Even if the responsibility is delegated, the Federation shall offer assistance to the exhibition from its Youth, EDA, and Publications Committees.

Section 2. Local and Regional Exhibitions

- a. The Federation encourages its member organizations to hold open local and regional exhibitions.
- b. Support from the Judging, Youth, EDA, and Publications Committees shall be given to local/regional shows when requested.

ARTICLE XIII - FEDERATION AWARDS

Section 1. General

- a. The Federation Board of Directors may authorize awards for presentation to individuals or organizations in recognition of contributions to philately in general, or to the Federation, or to member organizations in particular.
- b. The Federation Board of Directors may authorize awards for exhibits.
- c. The Federation Board of Directors shall determine and specify the criteria for receiving each award level and the type of award token to present.

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Section 2. Procedures

- a. The Federation Board of Directors shall specify the eligibility for receiving each type of award and whether or not multiple awards may be granted to an individual.
- b. The Federation Board of Directors shall specify the procedures for nominating and selecting award recipients, and for presenting each award.

ARTICLE XIV. FEDERATION BULLETIN

Section 1. Purpose

- a. The Federation shall issue a journal, herein referred to as *The Federated Philatelist*, as required to keep all member organizations informed of the affairs, activities, and business of the Federation and its members.
- b. *The Federated Philatelist* may include editorials and articles submitted by members and others. It may accept advertisements and solicit and accept subscriptions.

Section 2. Frequency and Distribution

- a. *The Federated Philatelist* shall be published at least once per quarter.
- b. *The Federated Philatelist* shall be distributed electronically by a method chosen by the editor without charge to all Federation Directors and Officers, to all members of Federation committees, and to each person listed in the organization's Annual Report.
- c. Each member organization is encouraged to forward *The Federated Philatelist* to all its members.
- d. The subscription cost of *The Federated Philatelist* will be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XV. AFFILIATION

Section 1. Affiliation

- a. The Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs shall establish and maintain an affiliation with:
 1. The American Philatelic Society (APS).
 2. The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada (RPSC).
- b. The Federation may, by majority vote of its member organizations, establish and maintain affiliation with other philatelic clubs or organizations to promote the objects, purposes, and aims of the Federation.

ARTICLE XVI. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendment Submission

- a. Proposed amendments to the Constitution:
 1. May be proposed by a minimum of five member organizations, or by the Board of Directors.
 2. Will be submitted for review to all member organizations by the Board of Directors at least ninety (90) days in advance of a vote.
- b. Proposed amendments to the Bylaws:
 1. May be proposed by a minimum of three member organizations, or by the Board of Directors.
 2. Will be submitted for review to the member organizations by the Board of Directors at least ninety (90) days in advance of a vote.

Section 2. Amendment Approval

- a. The Constitution may be amended by vote at the Annual General Meeting, at a Special Meeting, or by mail. Ratification requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of those voting.
- b. The Bylaws may be amended by a vote at the Annual General Meeting, at a Special Meeting, or by mail. Ratification requires a majority affirmative vote of those voting.

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Club Activities



The **Alaska Collectors' Club** has been a Federation member since 2016. They publish a quarterly journal, *The Alaskan Philatelist*. They continue to work on a project to revise the *Postmarks of Territorial Alaska* catalog. Annual dues are \$15 for US members and \$20 for members from elsewhere. Contact Eric Knapp: eknapp@gci.net. See their website www.alaskaphilatelic.org.



The **American Air Mail Society—Northwest Chapter** has been a Federation member since 1983. They publish a quarterly newsletter *Air Mail Northwest*. The chapter has no website. Dues are \$8 per year for print and \$4 for electronic distribution.



The **Anchorage Philatelic Society** has been a Federation Member since 1963. They publish a quarterly newsletter, *The Anchorage Philatelist*. They are preparing for their annual show in February. 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** is a Charter member of the Federation that joined in 1936. This year is the 100th anniversary of the club. They held VANPEX on 27–29 September (see page 8). Meetings are each Wednesday at 7:30 PM at the church hall at the South Burnaby United Church in Burnaby. 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.



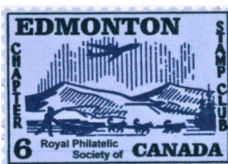
The **British North America Philatelic Society** (Pacific Northwest Regional Group) joined the Federation in 1998. They publish the *West Coast Express*. They held a regional group meeting at VANPEX. In our area are the Calgary, Edmonton, and Pacific Northwest chapters. The PNW Chapter publishes the *British Columbia Postal History Newsletter*. Dues are \$10 per year for all. See their website: <http://www.bnaps.org/regional/pnwr/RG-pnwrgrp.php>.

The **Central Oregon Postal Collective** has been a Federation member since 2016. They held their first annual stamp show in Redmond, Oregon, on 28 September 2019 (page 17). 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** has been a Federation member since 1954. They publish a quarterly newsletter. They do not have a website. They are trying to expand the content of their newsletter. They meet on the first Friday each month at 8:00 PM at the Unity Church, 16330 NE 4th Street, Bellevue, Washington. They conduct a well-organized auction open to everyone at each meeting. Dues \$20. Contact: hstamps1@frontier.com.

The **Eagle Stamp and Postcard Club** has been a Federation member since 2015. They do 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. See their website: <http://www.eaglestampandpostcardclub.com/>.



The **Edmonton Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2009. They publish a monthly newsletter, *Bulletin*. Each edition is full of interesting news and articles. They are planning their Christmas social on 16 December. They meet on second and fourth Mondays at 6:00 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.



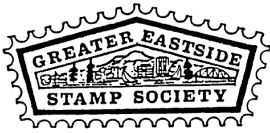
The **Evergreen Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 1976. They publish a monthly newsletter. They are planning their Christmas party on 18 December. They meet on the third Wednesday each month at 7:00 PM at Kent Commons Rec Center. Dues are \$20 per year. See <http://stamps.org/Evergreen-Stamp-Club>.

The **Fraser Valley Philatelic Club** has been a Federation member since 2017. They do not publish a newsletter. Subject to school availability, they meet on the third Tuesday of September and on the second Tuesday each other 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** has been a Federation member since 1999. They do not publish a newsletter. 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** has been a Federation member since 1974. They do not publish a newsletter. They meet on the third Thursday each month at 7:00 PM at 360 Egan Drive, Juneau.

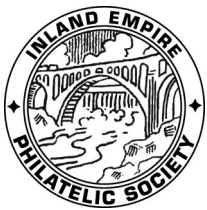
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The **Greater Eastside Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 2013. They publish the *GESS Newsletter* via e-mail only. They do not have a website. They meet on the first and third Thursday each month at 7:00 PM and have a **new meeting site** at the Redmond Panera Bread café in the Bear Creek Shopping Center. Contact: dananielsen@comcast.net.



The **Greater Eugene Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 2003. It has been a year since they published their *Echoes* bimonthly newsletter. They currently are seeking a new editor. They meet on the second and fourth Wednesday each month at 7:00 PM at Saint Jude's Catholic Church. Dues are \$15 and \$5 for youth. See: <http://greatereugenestampclub.weebly.com/>.



The **Inland Empire Philatelic Society** is a Founding member of the Federation that joined in 1935. They publish a monthly newsletter, *The Lilac Hinge*. They toured the Spokane Post Office on 22 October. They will hold their holiday dinner on 10 December. 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** has been a Federation member since 2012. They do not publish a newsletter, nor have a website. They meet on the second Thursday each month at 7:00 PM at The Villas. Contact George Larson: larsonglf@mindspring.com. They are **in danger of being dropped from membership** because of non-payment of dues for the past two years.

The **Lynden Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2017. They do not publish a newsletter, nor have a website. They meet at 6:00 PM on the last Tuesday of each month at the Lynden City Hall. Dues are \$10 per year. Contact Dave Burger: dave@thegreenbarn.com.

The **Lynn Valley Stamp Club** joined the Federation in 2018. They do not publish a newsletter, nor have a website. They meet from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at the Molly Nye House in North Vancouver, BC. Dues are \$20 per year. Contact Neil Worley: sandnworley@shaw.ca.

The **Okanagan Mainline Philatelic Association** has been a Federation member since 1996. They publish the *OMPA News*. They meet five times a year in January, March, May, September, and November. There are member clubs in Kelowna, Penticton, and Vernon. Dues are \$10 per

year, \$14 for Family, and \$2 for Juniors (under 16). See their website: <http://www.okanaganstampclubs.ca/>.

The **Olympia Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 2012. They publish an electronic newsletter. They are planning their spring Roundup Stamp Show on 28 March 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://olympiaphilatelicsociety.org/>.

The **Olympic Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 1953. They do not publish a newsletter, nor have a website. They meet at 6:30 PM on the fourth Tuesday each month at the DK Enterprises store, 10 NE Silver Pine Drive, Bremerton. Contact: stamps@dickkeiser.com. They are **in danger of being dropped from membership** because of non-payment of dues for the past two years.



The **Oregon Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 1937. They publish a monthly newsletter, *The Album Page*. 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** has been a Federation member since 2001. They publish a quarterly journal, *The Oregon Country*. Each issue has articles with historical images and nice illustrations of NW postal history material. Dues are \$20 per year. See their website: <http://pacificnorthwestpostalhistorysociety.org/wordpress/>



The **Peace Arch Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2014. They do not publish a newsletter. They meet at 5:00 PM on the first Wednesday of the month (except July and August) at the Surrey Come Share Seniors Centre. Dues are \$20 per year. See their website: www.peacearchstampclub.com/.

The **Puget Sound Collectors' Club** has been a Federation member since 2017. They do not publish a newsletter, nor have a website. Membership is by invitation. Members bring interesting philatelic items to discuss or resolve a mystery. Anyone interested in joining the club should contact the Secretary, Thomas Matthiesen, via email at: mecanopst@earthlink.net.

The **Regina Philatelic Club** is the newest Federation club member. They publish a quarterly newsletter, *Regina Philatelic Quarterly*. They are planning their Christmas party on 11 December. They meet on the first and third Wednesday of the month from September to May at 7:30 PM in the staff room at the Campus Regina Public School. Dues are \$10 per year. <https://reginastampclub.ca/>.

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The **Salem Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 1948. They publish a monthly newsletter, *Willamette Stamp & Tongs*. They held an election of officers and a large club auction on 13 November and plan their Christmas party on 11 December. 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.



SNO-KING STAMP CLUB

The **Sno-King Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 1963. They publish a monthly newsletter, *Sno-King Stamp Club Philatelic News*. They are planning their holiday lunch on 11 December. The club meets in Everett at the Snohomish County PUD on the second Wednesday each month. Meetings in Edmonds are on hold until further notice. Dues are \$10 per year, \$5 for youth under 18. <http://sno-kingstampclub.freehostia.com>.



The **Southern Oregon Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 1955. They publish a monthly newsletter, *The Philatelic Reminder*. They are planning to hold a holiday potluck on 5 December. They meet on the first Thursday at 7:00 PM at the First Methodist Church in Medford. Dues are \$15 per year. Website: <https://classic.stamps.org/SOPS>.



The **Strait Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 1977. They publish a bi-monthly newsletter, *Strait Stamp Talk*. They meet on the first Thursday each month at 6:00 PM at the Sequim Library. They also hold an informal mid-month morning meeting at the local Burger King. The club has no dues, but accepts donations. Website: www.straitstamp.org.

The **Tacoma Stamp Club** is a founding member of the Federation and is the newest reinstated club. They publish a monthly newsletter, *The Tacoma Philatelist*. They are planning their holiday party on 10 December. They meet on the fourth Tuesday at 6:00 PM at the Bay Terrace Community Center in Tacoma. Dues are \$15 per year. Contact: sharwilkey@gmail.com.

The **Tri-Cities Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 1966. They publish a monthly newsletter, *The Triangle*. They meet on the fourth Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the Activities room at the Royal Colombian Retirement

Inn in Kennewick. Dues are \$10 per year for adults, \$1 for students. Website: www.tri-citiesstampclub.org.

The **Umpqua Valley Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2018. They publish a monthly newsletter, *Umpqua Valley Stamper*. They do not have a website. They meet on the third Monday each month, except June and December, at 7:15 PM in the St. George Episcopal Parish Hall in Roseburg. Dues are \$10 per year. Contact: adams@mcsi.net.



USS Puget Sound Chapter 74 of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society has been a Federation member since 1978. They do not have a chapter newsletter, but the Society publishes the monthly *USCS Log*. They held a society meeting with other USCS chapters 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** is a Charter member of the Federation that joined in 1936, and has been a continuous member since then. They publish a monthly newsletter, *The Guide-line*. They have a philatelic library for members. Meetings include a small auction. They held their VICPEX show on 5–6 October (page 15). The club meets at 7:30 PM on the fourth Thursday each month at St. Aidan's Church. Dues are \$15. Website: www.vicstamps.com/vips.htm.



The **Washington State Philatelic Society** is a Founding member of the Federation that joined in 1935. They do not publish a newsletter, nor have a website. 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** publishes this quarterly journal. It held a Board meeting at VANPEX in September.

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

Holiday Quiz

As I write this in early November, we are entering the period of the calendar marked by several holidays, both greater and lesser, that actually extends all the way through the time until the release of our next issue. There are more than one dozen of these events and nine of them are celebrated in both countries. See if you can match the statement to the related stamp.

- ___ 1. This holiday in Canada is celebrated on the same day as Veterans Day in the US.
- ___ 2. This varmint has its own day in both countries.
- ___ 3. Both countries have issued stamps celebrating this Festival of Lights.
- ___ 4. This holiday is based on the lunar calendar.
- ___ 5. Celebrated in five provinces on the same day as #6 in the US.

- ___ 6. This holiday goes by at least five different names among all of the States.
- ___ 7. Although unofficial, this feast day is celebrated in both countries in March.
- ___ 8. Flowers and candy are commonly exchanged on this holiday.
- ___ 9. This holiday is arguably the largest and most widely celebrated in both countries.
- ___ 10. Canada celebrates this holiday in the month before the same holiday takes place in the US.

(Bonus) This is probably the most celebrated public holiday throughout the entire world.

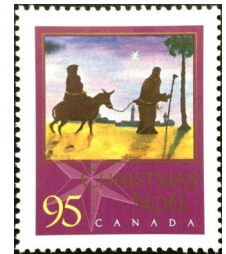
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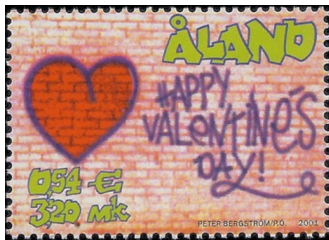
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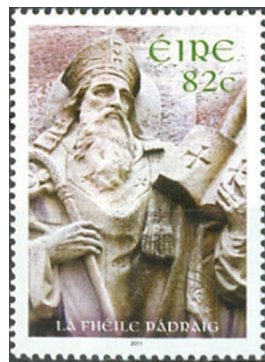
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UPCOMING STAMP SHOWS / BOURSES

SHOW DATES			Major events in bold / PNW events in italic	Revised: 16 November 2019	
FRI	SAT	SUN	SHOW NAME	LOCATION	TYPE
	25-Jan		<i>Coin & Stamp Show (North Shore Numismatic Soc.)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
	25-Jan		<i>OMPA Show & Bourse (Okanagan Stamp Clubs)</i>	Lake Country, BC	Bourse
	25-Jan	26-Jan	<i>GESSPES (Greater Eastside Stamp Society)</i>	Redmond, WA	Bourse
		26-Jan	<i>Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair</i>	Victoria, BC	Bourse
		9-Feb	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
	15-Feb	16-Feb	<i>Regina Philatelic Club Show</i>	Regina, SK	Show
	22-Feb		<i>Sno-King Stamp Show (new venue)</i>	Kenmore WA	Show
28-Feb	29-Feb	1-Mar	<i>APEX (Anchorage Philatelic Society)</i>	Anchorage, AK	Show
	14-Mar	15-Mar	<i>VICTOPICAL (Vancouver Is. & Greater Victoria PS)</i>	Victoria, BC	Show
	21-Mar		<i>Willamette Valley Stamp Exhibition Stampfest</i>	Eugene, OR	Show
		22-Mar	<i>Willamette Valley Stamp Exhibition STAMPEX</i>	Salem, OR	Show
	28-Mar		<i>Roundup Stamp & Coin show (Olympia Philatelic Soc)</i>	Chehalis, WA	Bourse
	28-Mar		<i>Coin & Stamp Show (North Shore Numismatic Soc.)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
	28-Mar	29-Mar	Edmonton Spring Show (Edmonton SC) (WSP)	Edmonton, AB	Show
	28-Mar	29-Mar	<i>Apple Blossom (Inland Empire Philatelic Society)</i>	Spokane, WA	Bourse
	4-Apr		<i>John D. Arn Stamp Symposium (NWFSC)</i>	Moses Lake, WA	Education
	18-Apr	19-Apr	<i>Spring Bourse (Evergreen Stamp Club)</i>	Kent, WA	Bourse
24-Apr	25-Apr	26-Apr	WESTPEX (WSP)	Burlingame, CA	Show
2-May thru 9-May			London 2020 FIP Specialized World Stamp Exhibition	London, UK	Intl Show
8-May	9-May	10-May	PIPEX (Northwest Federation) (WSP) (new venue)	Portland, OR	Show
	30-May		<i>Coin & Stamp Show (North Shore Numismatic Soc.)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
	6-Jun	7-Jun	<i>Greater Seattle Postcard & Paper Show</i>	Kent, WA	Bourse
		7-Jun	<i>Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair</i>	Victoria, BC	Bourse
12-Jun	13-Jun		<i>SOPEX (Southern Oregon Philatelic Society)</i>	Central Point, OR	Show
		14-Jun	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
19-Jun	20-Jun	21-Jun	Royal 2020 Royale	Fredericton, NB	Show
	18-Jul	19-Jul	<i>Summer Show (Evergreen Stamp Club)</i>	Kent, WA	Show
		9-Aug	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
		16-Aug	<i>Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair</i>	Victoria, BC	Bourse
21-Aug	22-Aug	23-Aug	Great American Stamp Show (begins 20-Aug) (WSP)	Hartford, CT	Show
11-Sep	12-Sep	13-Sep	SEAPEX Seattle Philatelic Exhibition (WSP)	Tukwila, WA	Show
	12-Sep		<i>Coin & Stamp Show (North Shore Numismatic Soc.)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
	19-Sep		<i>Greater Eugene Stamp Society Show</i>	Eugene, OR	Bourse
		20-Sep	<i>Salem Stamp Society Show</i>	Salem, OR	Bourse
	26-Sep	27-Sep	<i>Apple Harvest (Inland Empire Philatelic Society)</i>	Spokane, WA	Bourse
	3-Oct	4-Oct	<i>VICPEX (Vancouver Is. & Greater Victoria Phil. Soc.)</i>	Victoria, BC	Show
		11-Oct	<i>Fenwick Stamp & Coin Show</i>	Renton, WA	Bourse
20-Nov	21-Nov	22-Nov	Chicagopex (WSP) (WE Fest VII)	Itasca, IL	Show
	28-Nov		<i>Coin & Stamp Show (North Shore Numismatic Soc.)</i>	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
		29-Nov	<i>Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair</i>	Victoria, BC	Bourse
		13-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