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SAWAMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON

by Alan H. Patera, Pacific Northwest Postal History Society

Oregon has 36 counties. Washington, with less area but more population, has 39 counties. Idaho, with more area but less population, has 44 counties. Montana, the largest state in our area of the four, has 56 counties. This makes a total of 175 counties in the states covered by *The Oregon Country* (journal of Pacific Northwest Postal History Society).

But there are a few counties missing, entities that existed briefly but are no more. Oregon had an Umpqua County on the lower Umpqua River, with the county seat at Scottsburg. Its area was mostly absorbed by Douglas County. Idaho had two large counties that encompassed much of southern Idaho north of the Snake River, Alturas and Logan Counties. When irrigation was introduced, the population increased and the numerous small counties of south-central Idaho were established, and Alturas and Logan ceased to exist.

Washington also has some missing counties. Ferguson County was east of the Cascades, covering much of what is now Kittitas and Yakima counties. The map on Page 4 shows the missing county of Sawamish.

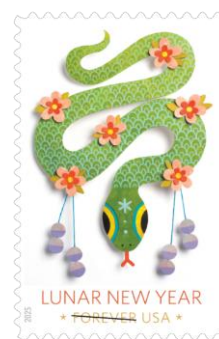
This 1865 map has several items of interest. Little Wahkiacum (Waukiakum on the map) County, all 269 square miles, had already been carved out on the lower Columbia River. Clark County is spelled Clarke. A large Chehalis County is shown, before Pacific County was created and before it changed its name to Grays Harbor County.

An oddly-shaped Thurston County covered the area about Olympia; and to the northwest of Thurston County the map proclaims the existence of Sawamish County. It extends all the way to the Pacific Ocean, covering a large area with very little population. It was created by the Washington Territorial Legislature on April 15, 1854, and named after the local Indians.

Four post offices operated in Sawamish County, Arkada (1858-74), Kamilche (1862-68), Skokomish (1858-90) and Oakland (1858-69). Skokomish changed its name to Union City in 1890 and then Union in 1895, and is still operating.

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Lunar New Year of the Snake

The only postmarks known from Sawamish County are manuscript markings from Oakland.

Sawamish County elected commissioners but had no permanent county seat. Meetings were held in the homes of the various officers. Most of them lived in the vicinity of Oakland, so even though there was no Court House, Oakland was considered the county seat. When they did select a site

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From the Editor's Desk...

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a good holiday season and your year is starting off well.

It is with great sadness I report the passing of William (Bill) Geijsbeek, former Executive Secretary of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs (October 1998 – May 2011). More of his philatelic background can be found in **Closed Albums**. We lost other great philatelists; check page 18 for the list.

The Federation has lost another club – the Tacoma Stamp Club. They lost their meeting place during covid, lost 5 members during the pandemic and finally made the unfortunate decision to close their books at the end of December. Fortunately, many of the members are able to join and enjoy the Olympia Philatelic Society.

It looks like many of the Federation territory stamp clubs are off to a roaring start this year – meetings, presentations, auctions, mixtures, APS pick-books, etc. I hope to attend some of them this year.

With a new year comes new postage stamps from Canada Post and USPS. Pictures are scattered throughout the journal; I do not have issue dates for some of them. If anyone attends First Day Ceremonies, and you take your own covers, we'd love to have scans of your cover, photos and a story. Do brag a little.

Congratulations on Inland Empire Philatelic Society (Spokane) turning 90 years old! They were founded in 1935 and have sustained a long and interesting history, which we hope to publish in a future issue. If your club is entering a commemorative year, do let us know with a writeup of your history; photos are always helpful.

Congratulations to Vernon, B.C., 50th anniversary (coming up in September)!

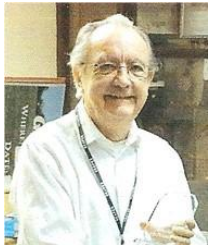
Please review the show schedule at the end of this journal. If you are not listed for 2025, please let me know as soon as you have your date(s) set. One of the purposes of the Federation and this journal is to keep all clubs up to date on stamp shows and other events dates.

This issue is packed with loads of information about our clubs and articles, including John Arn program and PIPEX exhibit entry forms (both NWFSC supported). Read carefully so you do not miss anything.

As I write this, I am enjoying 4 inches of snow in my front yard. Yay! What's winter without snow? The past few weeks, we have had low 20's at night and not much upward to 40°F during the day. Makes for icy roads. Great time to snuggle in with your stamps!

--- Carol J. Edholm

Executive Secretary's Notes



Philately moves on. Maybe it is time for reflection.

I remember going to shows in the 80s, especially PIPEX at many venues. Trying to build an exhibit from my collections (that is looking for new and significant material), I lamented my access to new material which was via mail-order dealers, PIPEX and local shows of which we had many. Exhibitors in other parts of the US had an advantage over me. I had just two big shows with lots of material for sale within 500 miles of Southern Oregon, except when I didn't -- when PIPEX wasn't in Oregon. Most of them had twice as many big shows to attend.

I remember one Midwestern dealer at PIPEX in Spokane lamenting few sales. He had material I wanted at high prices. On Sunday we talked. He said that it was clear that prices were lower in the Northwest, and he dropped his a little so that I could buy about six covers.

Now, there are still only two big shows within 500 miles -- and few local shows or bourses. But what has changed is that now I can buy new and significant material via the internet from sellers on six continents at prices often set by auction. There is absurdly priced material, yes, but I ignore it. I am equal now with exhibitors in other parts of the US. This positive change for me as a collector has resulted in many fewer local shows, fewer dealers and for me anyway fewer transactions with mail-order dealers.

I remember my first exhibits. They were weak efforts, weak in material and in completeness. I remember the exhibits at the AMERIPEX International in Chicago in 1986. Looking at exhibits in areas I collected, I knew more about the material than the exhibitors there did; well, actually, I knew more than what the exhibitors put on the page. What has changed are the judging guidelines which emphasize explaining the material and telling a story with it. Knowledge and explanation are now more important than \$ value.

I remember club meetings. There were more of us then and, seemingly, more volunteers for the little jobs of keeping the club and our local show running smoothly. I remember the programs. There were auctions, at the most two a year. There were presentations by club members. There were slide shows from APS with that obnoxious ping or thunk to change the slide.

Now, there are more auctions which includes material donated to the club by non-collectors who have collections from deceased family members. There are still show-and-tell presentations, but they are less frequent, maybe because we are more specialized and less curious about other collections. However, the member presentations are often more polished because they are electronically produced.

What does this indicate about the future of philately in the Northwest, and what does it suggest we do?

About shows, it suggests that PIPEX is still important. It suggests that a few local shows become regional events with exhibits entered from throughout the Federation. It suggests that other "shows" be one-day events which require less organization and time.

About material, it suggests we are in a good place, except for the loss of collectors. This lack of collectors we need to address. We need to share, to explain and to promote our collecting bug. Mainstream philately has widened to include picture postcards, poster stamps and historical paper. Fun collecting and free-style exhibiting are on the rise and they need to be encouraged.

About club meetings, it suggests we use technology to widen who can view the presentations. This can be accomplished with Zoom presentations. The dissemination of a list of programs and of presenters to all Federation clubs should be done at the Federation level. **We need a volunteer for this.**

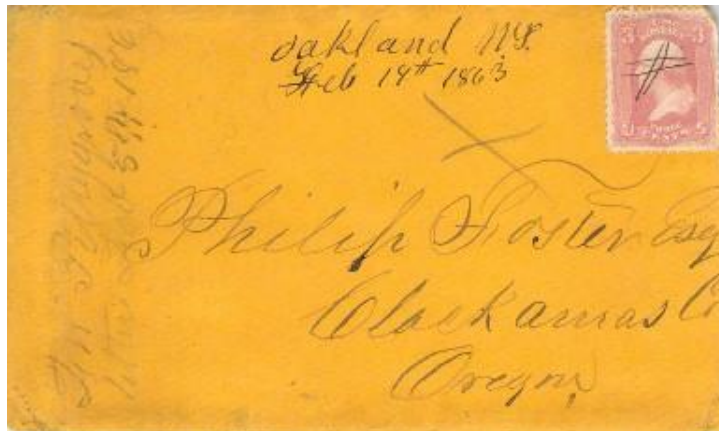
The current situation about club meetings and material also suggests that club auctions would have more benefit for each club and for philately if they could accept bidders beyond the local club members. This is an idea. The internet could be used for this. A Clubs' Auction Coordinator for the Federation would need to be found. If this suggestion intrigues anyone in the Federation, contact me or any other Federation volunteer listed on page 2 of this journal.

I hope many of you will come to PIPEX in Portland, May 2-4, 2025, and some of you will come to the Federation meetings or presentations. Philately remains important to us and to others. And above all, share your thoughts with us in letters to the editor. You influence the future direction of philately.

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for the Court House, they found that parcel of land was already allocated to schools.

One of the commissioners was a teetotaler, so no liquor could be sold in Oakland. An enterprising businessman set up a bar on a boat at the site of Shelton, and soon Shelton emerged as the largest town. When the county boundaries were redrawn, Shelton became the county seat of Mason County, and Sawamish County disappeared. The western part of Sawamish County was included in Grays Harbor County. Curiously, the book *The American Counties*, compiled by Nathan Joseph Kane, says that Mason County was established March 1, 1854, yet Mason County does not appear on the 1865 map. Kane treated the transition from Sawamish County to Mason County as a simple name change. The HistoryLink website also says it is a name change, effected by the Legislature in 1864. Yet on the 1865 map, it is Sawamish County, not Mason.



At the time this cover was mailed at Oakland on February 19, 1863, Oakland was considered the county seat of Sawamish County. The Oakland manuscript is the only postmark type known from Sawamish County. Courtesy of Tim Boardman.



Marie Joseph Angélique

SHOW ANNOUNCEMENT

The Pacific Northwest Postal History Society will host a sale at the Oregon Stamp Society

March 15, 2025
10:00am - 4:00pm
4828 NE 33rd Ave.
Portland, Oregon

Seven or eight members will be offering postal history for sale. The public is welcome.

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NORTHWEST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS PRESENTS
THE THIRTY-THIRD JOHN D. ARN PHILATELIC SYMPOSIUM
AT MOSES LAKE WASHINGTON

**** Saturday, March 29, 2025 ****

BEST WESTERN LAKE FRONT INN & CONFERENCE CENTER
MOSES LAKE, WASHINGTON

Fellow Collector,

The Moses Lake Philatelic Day was established in 1990 by John Arn of the Inland Empire Philatelic Society in Spokane. For over 30 years it has served as a popular gathering of philatelic minded people in the northwest. Good fellowship, and a time to renew friendships and meet collectors with similar interests. You may have heard that we lost Anne Harris this past year. Her presence and enthusiasm will certainly be missed. We have moved the date to March 29 this year to avoid a conflict with the Olympic Spring Roundup in April. I hope that means more people can participate.

Once again the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs is supporting the symposium by assisting with the cost of the venue. Information is also available on their website: www.nwfedstamps.org

We have found a great group of speakers for the symposium this year:

Joe Voice – Pasco, Washington
J W Palmer – Spokane, Washington
Raymond Villeneuve – Calgary, Alberta
Steven Stiff – Missoula, Montana

Sometimes we find ourselves with a little extra time between presentations. In those times we can invite participants to give a short “clothesline” presentation (5-10 minutes). If you are willing to do one of these, please indicate when you return your Registration Form.

As usual, we will have two auctions where participants enter the lots. See descriptions on the back of this page. There is a \$3.00 entry fee that covers all entered lots and NO commission on sales.

I sincerely hope you can help make it a successful event this year.

Jim Hirstein
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FRIDAY EVENING EVENTS (March 28)

There will be a Hospitality Room at the Best Western Lake Front Inn from 5:30 – 7:00. Wine and snacks will be available. **Cash donations to offset the cost are appreciated.**

Then we will gather about 7:00 at the Super China Buffet, 711 N. Stratford Rd. in Moses Lake, for a **no-host dinner**. Directions will be available in the Hospitality Room.

TWO AUCTIONS

AUCTION I – SILENT AUCTION. You may enter as many lots as you want here. Starting price should be around \$3.00. Bidding increments are not applicable. Lots are awarded to the highest bidder at the end of the designated time. **The Silent Auction will close during the break after the last talk.**

AUCTION II – REGULAR FLOOR BID AUCTION. Everyone is urged to enter at least three lots. Additional lots may be entered at the discretion of the auctioneer. Time constraints limit floor lots to not more than 150. Opening bid will be \$3.00 or the sellers stated minimum selling price. Bidding increments will be announced by the auctioneer. **Minimum price, if any, must be stated on the lot card.**

Precautions are taken to safeguard auction lots. Insurance is the responsibility of the seller. The Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs, Inland Empire Philatelic Society, the Inland Northwest Philatelic Day Committee, the Best Western Lake Front Inn & Conference Center, their agents, officers, employees, volunteer or paid assistants, or any other person authorized to perform any task in connection with these auctions shall NOT be liable for damage or loss or claim thereof of any kind for any reason whatsoever.

REQUEST OF ALL PARTICIPANTS;

1. Please enter material in both auctions.
2. Turn lots over to the Auction Managers during registration.
3. Very, very important! Please have lot identified by catalog reference: Scott, Brookman, or Other (show year of catalog). State the catalog value, use (used, mint, never hinged, etc.) and condition. Add any “unique” information. Complete data is essential for top price.
4. A non-refundable fee of \$3.00 will be collected regardless of the number of lots entered in either or both auctions. **Total auctions cost is \$3.00 to each participant entering lots.**

REGISTER EARLY – BY TUESDAY, MARCH 11 and you will receive an advance supply of auction lot cards that can be filled out before you arrive at Moses Lake.

LOT NUMBERS WILL BE ASSIGNED DURING AUCTION REGISTRATION ON SATURDAY MORNING.

MOTELS

The Best Western Lake Front Inn & Conference Center is holding a block of rooms at the group rate of \$119.99 per night (plus taxes) for single non-lake view rooms, and \$129.99 (plus taxes) for a double queen, for Friday and Saturday nights. This rate includes a Breakfast Buffet both Saturday and Sunday morning. Call the Lake Front Inn 509-number directly, the Best Western 800-number and website will not have the special rates.

Be sure to identify you are with the “stamps group.” This is the phrase for the reduced rate.

NOTE: The special rates are applicable until March 19, 2025. After that, rates go to \$159.99 for a single and \$165.99 for a double, plus taxes (and depending on availability).

Best Western Lake Front Inn & Conference Center

1-509-765-9211

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Motel 6	1-509-766-0260
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***** **REGISTRATION FORM** *****

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**REGISTER EARLY – IF RECEIVED BY TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025,
I WILL SEND YOU AUCTION TICKETS TO PREPARE IN ADVANCE
Late registrants on March 28-29 will require a \$5.00 surcharge to any meal fee.**

Participation Ticket (Registration & Lunch only)	\$55.00	Build Your Own Sandwich		
Fellowship Ticket (Registration & Dinner only)	\$65.00	Buffet with Chicken		
Fellowship "Plus" Ticket (Reg., Lunch & Dinner)	\$85.00			
Extra Lunch Ticket	\$30.00			
Extra Dinner Ticket	\$40.00			
TOTAL ENCLOSED				
(Check or Money Order Only) Payable to James Hirstein				

I/we plan to attend the Friday night dinner: _____ (No Host – Pay at the Door)

I would like to give a clothesline presentation _____

JOHN D. ARN PHILATELIC SYMPOSIUM – PROGRAM
MOSES LAKE, WASHINGTON
Saturday, March 29, 2025

- 8:00 A.M. **Philatelic Day Registration – Log in Auction Lots – Renew and Make New Acquaintances – Coffee, Rolls, etc.**
- 8:50 A.M. **Welcome / Announcements**
- 9:00 A.M. **Joe Voice – *Greenland Letters without Greenland Stamps***
- 10:00 A.M. **Clothesline Presentations**
- 10:15 A.M. **BREAK – Finish Entering Auction Lots and Auction Lot Viewing**
- 11:00 A.M. **Raymond Villeneuve – *Canada-U.S. Special Delivery Service 1898-1939***
- 12:30 P.M. **LUNCH**
- 1:30 P.M. **Steve Stiff – *The Universal Postal Union Congresses: Who? What? When? Why? Where? (with some stamps)***
- 2:30 P.M. **J W Palmer – *War Act of 1898: The Small Change Tax, Dollar Values***
- 3:30 P.M. **BREAK – Silent Auction Closes 15 minutes after the last talk**
- 3:45 P.M. **Registrant’s Participation – Clothesline Items or One-Page Showings**
- 4:15 P.M. **LIVE AUCTION BEGINS**
- 5:30 P.M. **LIVE AUCTION ENDS – We will try to settle the auctions before dinner**
- 6:00 P.M. **DINNER – (We often sit and visit after the dinner)**

MEET THE SPEAKERS 2025

Note: Biographies are provided by the speakers.

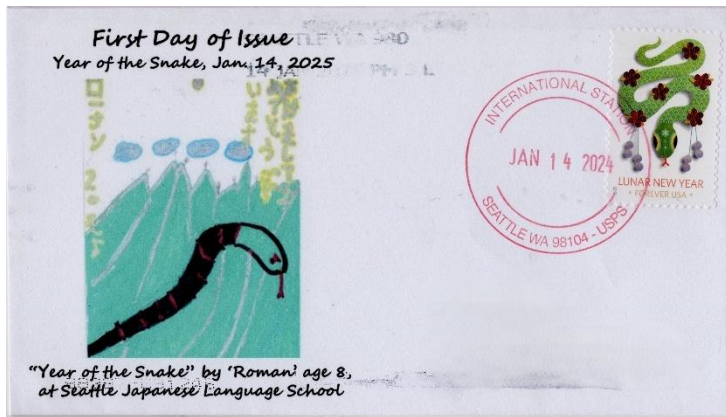
Joe Voice – Pasco, WA: I have been collecting and researching stamps since about 1996. I started collecting to relieve stresses caused at the day job, working with a stamp dealer at a brick-and-mortar shop in Kennewick that knew how to get a potential collector hooked. That dealer allowed me to take recently acquired collections home to pick through charging just 10 cents for each stamp. Through looking at stamps and catalogs into early morning hours, I got to know a lot about worldwide stamps, narrowing my interests at that time to Greenland, Iceland and Bicycle stamps. I have continued adding to my collection of Greenland postal history. Other current collecting interests include AMG Germany, covers from the 2-cent US Airmail rate period, CAM-5/CAM-32 and the Varney Airgram. Now I enjoy research much more than collecting, leading into philatelic exhibiting starting in 2021. I've written technical articles that have been published in the journal of the Allied Military Government Collectors Club, resulting from research conducted for my US Navy patrol aircraft exhibit that correct and expand upon previously published information that is being incorporated into the latest revision of the Trans-Oceanic Record Flights section of the American Air Mail Catalogue currently in preparation by the American Air Mail Society. I also have a three-frame exhibit on the Varney Airgram that includes a design type catalog developed through my research for the Willamette Valley Exhibition and PIPEX; it also won a Gold Medal and the Marcus White Award for the best postal stationary exhibit at SEAPEX.

Raymond Villeneuve – Calgary, AB: Attending CAPEX 1987 with my youngest son got me started in philately. As an elementary school teacher, I soon found that stamps could be a useful tool with my students. I ran a school stamp club for about 10 years and organized youth club activities in local stamp clubs. Personal collecting interests started with thematics: OLYMPICS - stamps, covers, postmarks and poster stamps from pre-1956 countries where Olympic Games were held; UNESCO and its worldwide mission; Japanese New Year stamps and card traditions. I also got involved in postal history, first with my home county of Russell in Eastern Ontario and then with various auxiliary cancels and postmarks. For almost 15 years, I have been collecting Canadian Special Delivery covers and studying its service along with its forms, labels and postmarks. I have exhibited on Canada and U.S. Special Delivery service as well. Member and officer of stamp clubs in Ottawa, Calgary, BNAPS and a contributor to BNA Topics, Maple Leaf Journal, PHSC Journal and the Calgary Philatelist. Served on the organizing committees for OROPEX and BNAPEX.

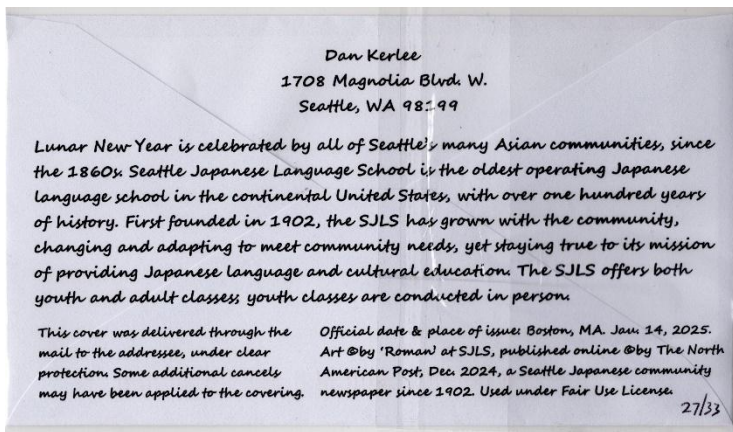
J W Palmer – Spokane, WA: I have been collecting for 60 years and have never stopped. Started collecting when I was a child with my Aunt who came over every weekend on Sunday and we worked for 3 or 4 hours mounting stamps. My collecting was in US, Canada and United Nations in singles and plate blocks. In 1984 had a break in and lost my first volumes of US and Canada so decided I needed something new to collect. I bought a lot of proprietary and documentary battleships to try something new. Well it turned into a now lifelong collecting specialty of "The War Act of 1898" and everything concerning it. I also collect many other countries and have documents from all the tax periods. Have a few topical areas that have grown over the years. I have been involved in various positions from 1989 to 2011 for PIPEX and our local shows in Spokane. Volunteered at AIRPEX in Mesa for 10 years mounting exhibits and so forth. Have won a Grand and two Reserve Grands. Have been a board member of the Inland Empire Philatelic Society for 34 years and the President for over 20 years. Member of ARA, APS, AAPE, BCPSG, IEPS.

Steve Stiff – Missoula, MT: My interest in stamp collecting began in 1960 at the tender age of 7, when my cousin introduced me to the 7¢ red and the 7¢ blue US airmail stamps. Her father worked a plastics manufacturing firm and he shared a wide variety of US and foreign stamps from the mail he received. Needless to say, I was hooked, but life intervened. After many years, and a few fits and spurts, my granddaughter Izzy instigated my return to philately (with a nod to Mike Zak, her substitute teacher). Izzy excitedly showed me stamps Mike had awarded her for participation in class, and she told me about a stamp club in Missoula. That was seven years ago...My stamp collecting is currently focused on pre-1940 issues from the US, Great Britain, France and Canada. I also have an interest in early Hungary, Czechoslovakia and other European countries. I became interested in the Universal Postal Union when I purchased an album page with ten 1894 regular issue stamps; I wanted the damaged \$2 James Madison as a filler for my collection. Upon receiving the stamps, I discovered that what I thought were cancellations turned out to be overprints: UNIVERSAL POSTAL CONGRESS. Serious research directed me to the Specimen Stamps section of the Scott Specialized Catalogue of US Stamps and Covers. Further research showed that these stamps are part of a package of postal items gifted to the attendees of the 1897 Washington, DC, Universal Postal Congress of the UPU. That discovery prompted me to explore the 1897 UPU Congress and, by extension, the Universal Postal Union (UPU) and why it was created. And, of course, the international postal items issued to commemorate the UPU.

Kerlee Corner...Lunar Year of the Snake by
Dan Kerlee, Evergreen Stamp Club



"Year of the Snake" by 'Roman' age 8, at Seattle Japanese Language School



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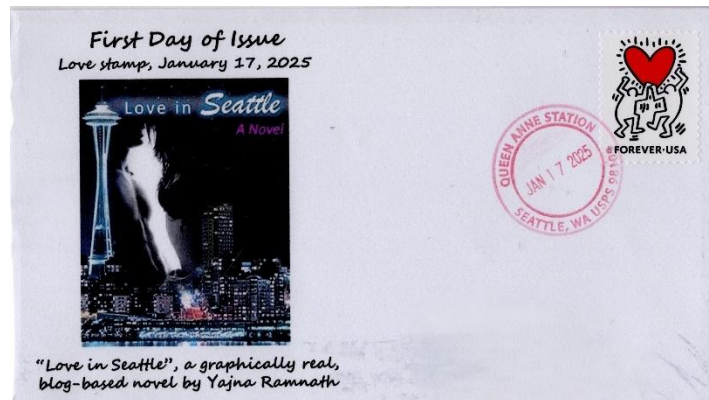
Lunar New Year is celebrated by all of Seattle's many Asian communities, since the 1860s. Seattle Japanese Language School is the oldest operating Japanese language school in the continental United States, with over one hundred years of history. First founded in 1902, the SJLS has grown with the community, changing and adapting to meet community needs, yet staying true to its mission of providing Japanese language and cultural education. The SJLS offers both youth and adult classes; youth classes are conducted in person.

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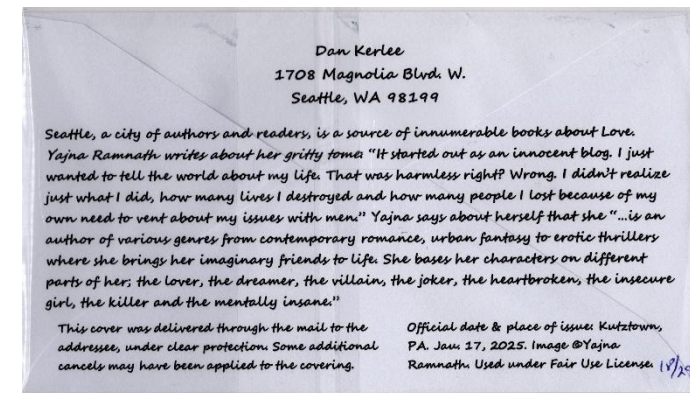
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...and Love in Seattle!



"Love in Seattle", a graphically real, blog-based novel by Yajna Ramnath



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Seattle, a city of authors and readers, is a source of innumerable books about Love. Yajna Ramnath writes about her gritty tome "It started out as an innocent blog. I just wanted to tell the world about my life. That was harmless right? Wrong. I didn't realize just what I did, how many lives I destroyed and how many people I lost because of my own need to vent about my issues with men." Yajna says about herself that she "...is an author of various genres from contemporary romance, urban fantasy to erotic thrillers where she brings her imaginary friends to life. She bases her characters on different parts of her; the lover, the dreamer, the villain, the joker, the heartbroken, the insecure girl, the killer and the mentally insane."

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An Invitation to Join...

The Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs has some 35 member clubs and philatelic organizations in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington as well as British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan in Canada, and its territories. With the exception of a short period of inactivity during WWII, the organization has served as a common cause meeting ground for organized philatelic interests within these states and provinces. The Federation supports PIPEX (Pacific International Philatelic Exposition), an annual APS World Series of Philately (WSP) show, and the John D. Arn Symposium.

The Federation is the only organization of its type with cross border membership and WSP exhibition sponsorship. It continues its member organization communications with *The Federated Philatelist* newsletter. The annual Federation meeting takes place at the club hosted site of the annual PIPEX show.

Please visit the NWFSC's website. On this site, we have listed information of interest to collectors in the Pacific Northwest. The website has recently seen a facelift and continues to be updated on a regular basis. www.nwfedstamps.org



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Letters to the Editor Welcome...

Send your comments, questions, feedback, stamp club news, articles (no article is too small) to:

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EDMONTON STAMP CLUB
2025 SPRING NATIONAL STAMP SHOW



March 29-30, 2025

Saturday 10-5pm, Sunday 10-4pm

Central Lions Recreational Centre
113 St & 111 Ave

- Stamp Dealers from across Western Canada
- Competitive Exhibits, Stamp Circuit Books,
 - Door Prizes, Junior Table
 - Food Bank Donations Box
 - *Free Stamp Evaluations*
- For further information: www.edmontonstampclub.ca

This year's show theme:

80th anniversary of the End of World War II and Canada's Role

The Edmonton Stamp Club is Chapter 6 of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and a Chapter of the American Philatelic Society. The winner of the Grand Prize at the Edmonton Spring National qualifies for entry into the APS Champion of Champions competition.



Photo provided by The Alberta Aircraft Museum

Alaska's Postally Served Locations Without a Local Post Office

by Jim Zuelow

The Alaskan Philatelist, 2nd Quarter 2024

The cover pictured in this article with a return address of Waterfall, Alaska, and a Ketchikan 1941 cancel is an example of one of Alaska's many partially postally served locations that did not or doesn't have a local post office. Some such locations were served for many years while others were very short-lived. These covers differ from those carried by express companies or by helpful private individuals such as those who brought letters to Dyea, Alaska, to be stamped and mailed from prospectors and others before interior post offices were opened by the U.S. and Canada during the Klondike Gold Rush. The Alaska Railroad also similarly served (serves?) some locations without post offices.



Waterfall, Alaska, a postally served but no post office community in 1941.

Covers like the one from Waterfall are different because the successful bidders for U.S. Alaska mail carrier contracts were sometimes required to provide pick-up and delivery services at qualified locations along the route that did not have their own post office. The exact arrangements had to be worked out to the satisfaction of the nearest postmaster and the residents of the location to be so served and at no additional cost to the government.

Waterfall, which is now a popular sport fishing resort, in 1941 was a cannery site served by Alaska Route #78073 (or an associated route) that served Ketchikan to Wrangell and Ketchikan to Hydaburg. Section 33 of the July 13, 1937, *Advertisement Inviting Proposals for Carrying the Mails of the United States on Steamboat or Other Power-Boat Routes and the Star Routes in the Territory of Alaska* for the period from July 1, 1938, through June 30, 1942, required the successful carrier to "...deliver mail into all boxes and hang small bags or satchels containing mail on

cranes or posts that may be erected along the route, and to collect mail from boxes or satchels..." with the items to be deposited at the next post office. U.S. stamps had to be applied before the mail was picked up.

There were many similarly served locations in Alaska during the 1938-42 period. The following is a partial listing of locations served, a close-by post office and the route that served the site.

- 1) Apex El Nido, Hoonah, 78078
- 2) Gold Cord, Wasilla, 78110
- 3) Granite Mine, Valdez, 78080
- 4) Herenden Bay, Sand Point, 78087
- 5) Iditarod Landing, Flat, 78093
- 6) Iliamna Landing, Iliamna, 78083
- 7) Joe De Louis, Tanana, 78141
- 8) Nuka Bay, Seward, 78082
- 9) Pleasant Camp, Haines, 78101
- 10) Riddiford, Moose Pass, 78105

Check and Google uncommon Alaska return addresses! Many of the sites are not in Orth's Dictionary of Alaska Place names.

Keep on sending those wonderful articles on Alaska, Washington, Oregon and western Canadian postal history!

I do not have anything regarding Montana or Idaho philatelic history. Have something? Send it to me! We have 4 issues each year to fill.

If you do not study Federation territory postal history, feel free to send in an article anyway – we love to see articles of other countries' postal history!

Be sure to send scans with your articles.

Did you know the Federation is on Facebook? If you have a personal Facebook page, be sure to **Join** the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs facebook page so you know what is going on. Bill Ailes is the moderator; he and others do an excellent job of showcasing western US history. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/836770459670958>

Canada New Issues

Canada Post Announces 2025 Stamp Topics

1/16/2025

Canada Post continues to share the stories of people and places that are meaningful to Canadians

OTTAWA – Canada Post announced today its 2025 stamp lineup, which includes influential figures and key milestones that have shaped Canadian history and culture. Here are some highlights of the 2025 program:

- As part of a longstanding tradition of commemorating former Canadian prime ministers, Canada Post will pay tribute to the late Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, who served as the 18th prime minister of Canada from 1984 to 1993.
- Commemorating places and events that set the stage for the evolution of 2SLGBTQIA+ rights, ahead of Pride Season in Canada.
- The Black History Month stamp remembers Marie Joseph Angélique, an enslaved Black woman charged with arson in Montréal in 1734.
- The second issue in a series showcasing Canadian graphic novelists and the fourth issue celebrating Indigenous leaders.
- Shining a light on the dark history of civilian internment in Canada.
- New stamps explore the importance of biodiversity with fascinating fungi.

The list also features still to be announced stamps recognizing cultural icons and other topics from these anticipated annual stamp series:

- A fundraising stamp for the Canada Post Community Foundation, supporting children and youth across Canada.
- The annual flower series will focus on peonies, perennial showstoppers known as the king of flowers.
- Raising awareness about truth and reconciliation through new stamps to be issued around the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, September 30, 2025.
- The Remembrance Day issue honours Canadian war heroes who broke down barriers to serve their country.
- Eid, Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas stamps will mark these special occasions.

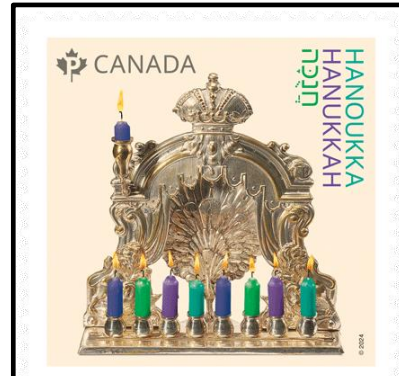
Canada Post takes pride in telling Canada's stories through its iconic national stamp program. The independent Stamp Advisory Committee recommends the subjects for the annual program. Members rely on

thoughtful input from groups and individuals to choose subjects that capture the country's rich history and culture and reflect the shared values of Canadians.

<https://stamps.org/news/c/news/cat/new-world-issues/post/canada-post-announces-2025-stamp-topics>

Canada Post Strike!

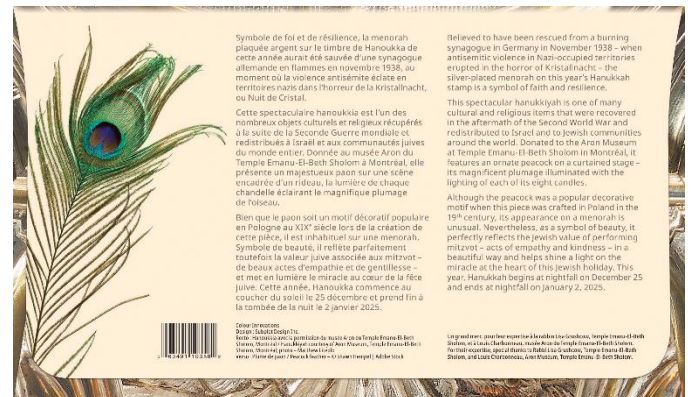
I was unaware that Canada Post was on strike until I tried to order this Hanukkah booklet and FDC (due to the peacock emblem in the bottom center of the menorah). Canada Post went on strike November 15, 2024. This stamp came out November 14.



Hanukkah with Peacock emblem in back

According to Canada Post, they restarted operations on December 17, 2024. They still did not accept international mail as they needed time to work through the backlog of mail and

parcels. I was finally able to ship a package to Canada on January 6, 2025; it was delivered to the Ontario home on January 23. I was able to order my booklets (which arrived in a timely fashion), but could not order the OFDC due to "low availability." Huge bummer!



Tlikikila River

by Robert Martin

reprinted Stamp Collecting for Kids

January 2022 issue

Do you know anything about the Tlikakila River? I must admit, that when this stamp was issued by the USPS in 2019, I had never heard of this river. I did not know where it originated, ended, how long it is, what state it is located in, or even how to pronounce it. So, a look into Wikipedia says this:

The Tlikakila River (in the Dena'ina Athabascan "tiq'a Qilanhtnu", literally "salmon-are-there river") is a stream 51 miles (82 km) long in the U.S. state of Alaska. The river, lying entirely within Lake Clark National Park, flows southwest from Summit Lake in the Chigmit Mountains of the Aleutian Range to Lake Clark.

The Tlikakila is one of three national "wild rivers" in Lake Clark National Park. The other two are the Mulchatna and the Chilikadrotna, all added in 1980 to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.



Was that helpful? Somewhat, but as is often the case, a whole bunch of other questions resulted, such as:

1. Who speaks the Dena'ina Athabascan language and what letters does it use?
2. Where is Lake Clark National Park, and when did this become a National Park?
3. What and where are the Chigmit Mountains?
4. What is the Aleutian Range?
5. What and where are the Mulchatna and Chilikadrotna Rivers?
6. Finally, how are all these unusual names pronounced?

Dena'ina is one of the Dene (Na-Dene) languages. The Kenia, who often now refer to themselves as Kenaitze, use



a dialect that is one of five Dena'ina dialects and is spoken by the Kahtnuht'ana, or "People of the Kenai River" who occupy the eastern heartland of the Outer Inlet. The Dena'ina language has 41 letters or letter combinations, including letters that have a "hat". Here is a list of the Dena'ina letters:

' a b ch ch' d dl dz e f g gg gh h h' i j k' l l m n q' r s sh t' tl' ts' u v w x y y' z zh

The alphabet also has a letter known as the "barrel L" which is the letter L with a line drawn through it. There are fewer than 100 living people (some say about 50 people) who use this language as their first language, making it an endangered indigenous language. The policy of the Alaska Territorial Schools (Alaska was a U.S. Territory from 1912 to 1959) to extinguish the indigenous languages is one of the main reasons the Dena'ina language is very rarely spoken.

As an interesting aside, Alaska was purchased from Russia on April 9, 1867 for \$7 million, which was a very large sum at the time. The U.S. Secretary of State who negotiated the purchase was William H. Seward, and for many years the purchase was derogatorily called "Seward's Folly." Alaska was originally called the "Department of Alaska" (1868 to 1884), then the "Division of Alaska" (1864 to 1912) and then became "Territory of Alaska" until it became the 49th state of the United States on January 3, 1959. It remained the newest state for just 7 months when on August 21, 1959, Hawaii became the 50th state.

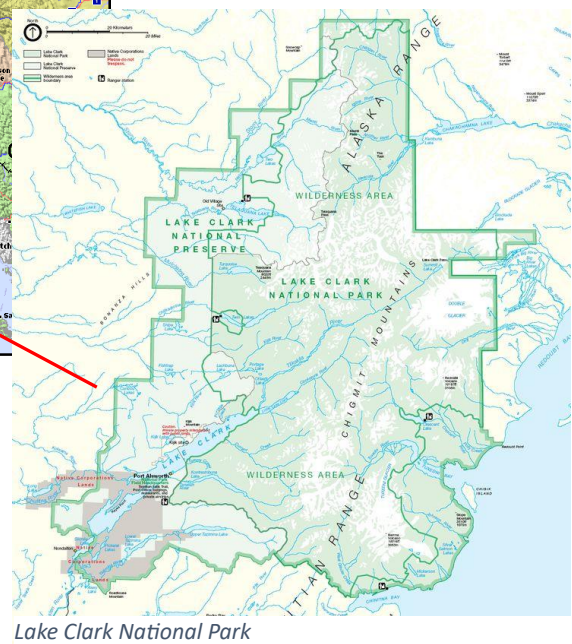
The Aleutian Range is a major mountain range located in southwest Alaska. It extends from Chakachamna Lake (80 miles/130km southwest of Anchorage) to Unimak Island, which is at the tip of the Alaskan Peninsula. It includes all of the mountains of the Peninsula. The Aleutian Range is special because of its large number of active volcanoes, which are also part of the larger

Aleutian Arc. The mainland part of the range is about 600 miles (1000km) long. The Aleutian Islands are (geographically) a partially submerged western extension of the range that stretches for another 1,000 miles (1,600km). However the official designation “Aleutian Range” includes only the mainland peaks and the peaks on Unimak Island. The range is almost entirely roadless wilderness. Katmai National Park and Preserve, a large national park within the range, must be reached by boat or plane.



where the passenger is a partner in ensuring a safe flight. Passengers should take an active role to ensure everyone’s safety by getting familiar with the details of their trip. As a passenger, you should be willing to ask questions in a polite way if you feel uncomfortable about something or have additional questions. This idea can be intimidating, but if you are uncomfortable about something, there is probably a reason. It is important to act on those feelings and voice any concerns. The pilot may have a simple answer that restores your comfort level. Asking questions may be all it takes to refocus on safety and avoid a mishap with the flight.

All this is the result of questions raised by one little stamp! The answers to the remaining questions you are challenged to find by your own research!

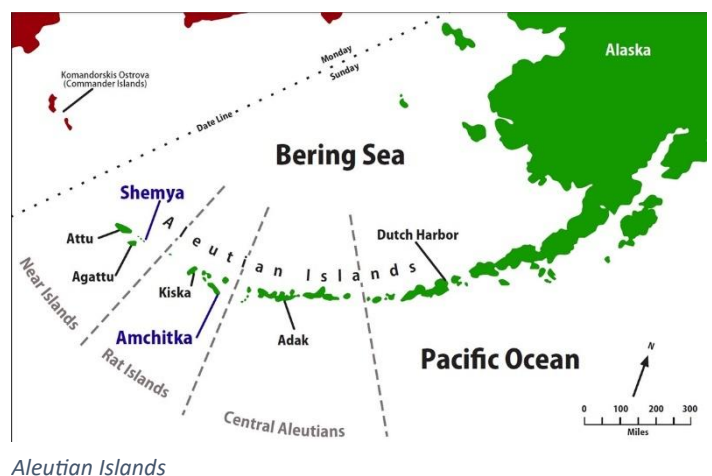


The core of the Aleutian Range can be divided into three mountain groups. Listed from southwest to northeast, they are:

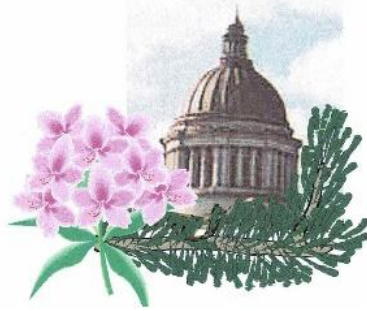
1. Mountains of the Alaska Peninsula and Unimak Island
2. Chigmit Mountains
3. Neacola Mountains

Lake Clark National Park became a national park in Alaska in 1982. Because the park is not on the road system, it is primarily accessed by small airplane. The park reminds all visitors that small air travel in Alaska involves the passenger in a greater capacity than normally on commercial flights. Here is what the park says:

Lake Clark is rugged and remote. Planning ahead for flexibility and inclement weather is vital to a successful trip. Give yourself a few extra days on each side of your travel in the likely event of weather delays. In Alaska, we talk about the “circle of safety”



Sources: <https://qenaga.org/learning/alphabet>



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Post Office Box 1554
Olympia, Washington 98507



Invites you to attend the Spring

ROUNDUP STAMP AND COIN SHOW

Free Admission

The Olympia Philatelic Society will hold it's Spring, 2025 Roundup Stamp and Coin Show

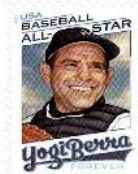
9:30 - 4:00 on

Saturday, April 5, 2025 at the

Columbian Hall, 6794 Martin Way E, Lacey, WA

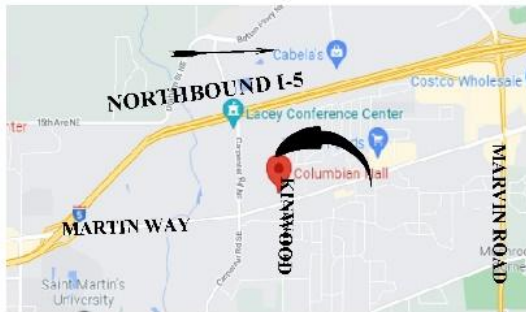


There will be free stamps for the kids, stamp and postal history exhibits, and Northwest stamp and coin dealers. Curious visitors are welcome. If you have come into a collection, and want to know more about it, one of our members will be knowledgeable in the subject, or one of the dealers can examine and appraise it for you.



Stamp Collecting Merit Badge Workshop

To be held in conjunction with the Olympia Roundup Stamp Show. Learn about the fun and educational hobby of Stamp Collecting and earn the Stamp Collecting Merit to Badge (with some prerequisite work). The workshop will be conducted by an experienced, registered Merit Badge Counselor. Free stamps and supplies will be donated to help each Scout with their collection. Space is limited, so please register early. Email for questions and registration information: rbcrooks@comcast.net. Please follow all the required Scouting Youth Protection guidelines (parent/guardian/leader copied on all email correspondence)



CANADIAN DIRECTOR VACANCY

The Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs traditionally has two **Canadian Directors** on its Board. *One two-year term is currently vacant.*

Please contact the Executive Secretary larry.crain@gmail.com if you are interested in serving.

Still need to order those missing Boeing show and flight covers, but haven't had a chance to do so?

Scan this QR code to go directly to the website.



All covers can be viewed on our website <https://evergreen-stamp-club-formerly-boeing-stamp-club.square.site/>



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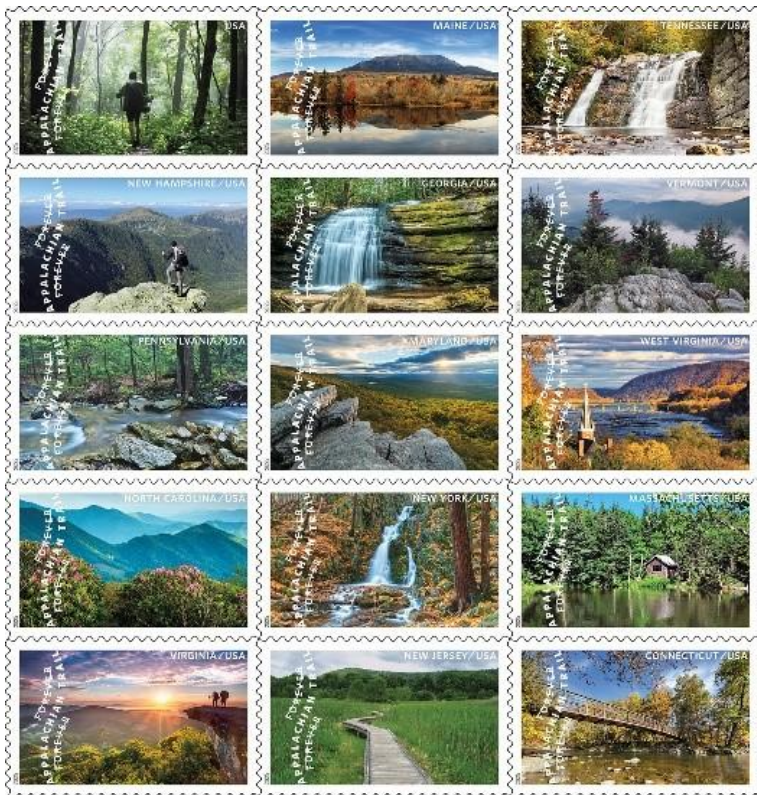


Stamp, Postcard & Paper 2025 Shows

Kent Commons Community Center
525 4th Avenue N
Kent, Washington 98032

Spring Show
April 12–13, 2025
Sat: 10am–5pm
Sun: 10am–4pm

Summer Show
July 19–20, 2025
Sat: 10am–5pm
Sun: 10am–4pm



Appalachian National Scenic Trail, First Day Ceremony February 28



1794 Compass Rose
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Love 2025

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Okanagan Stamp Clubs Meeting Schedule 2025

Date Host Location

Jan 25 Penticton - meet in Summerland, St. Stephens Anglican Church
March 22 Kelowna - meet in Kelowna, Mission Creek Alliance Church
May 24 Penticton Summerland, St. Stephens Anglican Church
Sept 20 Vernon The People Place; also Vernon's 50th anniversary celebration
Nov 22 Kelowna Kelowna, Mission Creek Alliance Church

Kelowna Stamp Club

Seniors Citizens Association Branch 17
1353 Richter Street (Corner of Richter & Fuller); Kelowna
Second Wednesday of every month, except July and August
Time: 7 PM to 9 PM
Contact: Ed at stampshop101@gmail.com

Penticton Stamp Club

Seniors Drop-In Centre Society
2965 South Main Street; Penticton
First Sunday of every month, except June, July and August
Time: 2 PM to 4 PM
Contact: Steve at sstevesters@gmail.com

Vernon Stamp Club

The People Place
3402 27th Avenue; Vernon
Third Saturday of every month, except August
Time: 12:30 PM to 3 PM
Contact: Michael at mfitt@telus.net

CLOSED ALBUMS

Len Lukens. December 2024. 50-year member of the Southern Oregon Philatelic Society and a member of the Oregon Stamp Society. Len was an early exhibitor, a regional judge and a promoter of philately. He collected Jackson, Josephine and Wallowa Counties in Oregon, air mail especially Pan Am TransPacific flights and Cyprus among others. He had served in several positions in SOPS, including president and show chairman. He was for many years the historian of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs.

William (Bill) Geijsbeek. April 7, 1938 - January 17, 2025. Former NWFSC Executive Secretary (November 1998 – May 2011) and President of Evergreen Stamp Club (formerly Boeing Employees Stamp Club) 2007 - 2019. One of the leading experts on US Postal Stationary on the west coast (if not further). A master at story-telling regarding his adventures in getting postal stationary first day cancels. ~ Carol j Edholm, Lisa Foster, other Federation members.

Peter Goeldner. Eric Knapp, *Anchorage Philatelic Society, Alaska*

An 1877 Swiss Postal Card to the Isle of Mull, Scotland

by Roger Heath, Strait Stamp Society

This uprated Swiss postal card originated in Interlaken 1 September 1877 and was sent to Miss H.M. Chamberlain, c/o Mrs. Guthrie, Duart, Isle of Mull, N(orth) B(ritain), England (Figure 1). Trying to research the names on this card would be a serious challenge without using the diverse and divergent references available on the internet. Maiden names and married names often make it impossible to identify individuals, but this address was unique. The fact that Duart turned out to be a castle on an isolated headland overlooking the Sound of Mull whetted my interest; its history leading me to the Guthries.

Mrs. Anne Beresford Guthrie (b.1815) and her unmarried sister Harriet Mary Chamberlain (b.1816) were both born in Rio de Janeiro to Sir Henry Chamberlain, Consul General and charge d’Affaires to Brazil. The family returned to England and Chamberlain died in 1829. Anne married Mr. Arbuthnot Charles Guthrie in 1860; Harriet remained unmarried, and it is probable she frequently visited Duart.

The “H.S.C.” (Figure 2), who sent the card to Miss Chamberlain, was Houston Stewart Chamberlain, a nephew studying in France and Switzerland, where he came under the influence of a Prussian tutor. Chamberlain later wrote many political philosophy books which became a reference for the German anti-semitism movement in the early 20th century. He married the granddaughter of Franz Liszt, who was also the step-daughter of the composer Richard Wagner.

In 1367, a Maclean married a MacDonald, and the combined family lands formed a single estate on which Duart Castle was built. Alterations were made during the



Fig. 3. Duart House

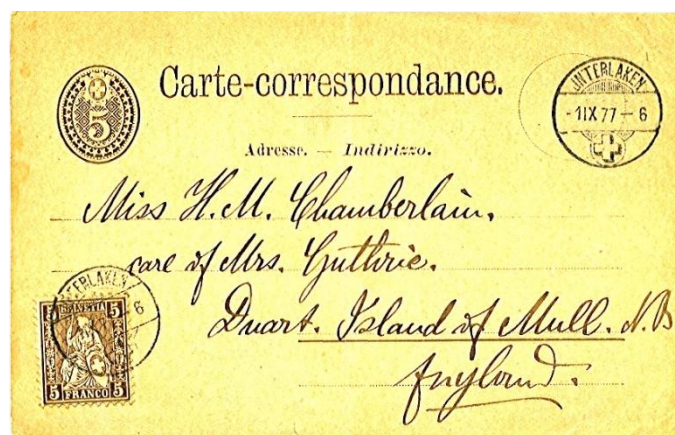


Fig. 1. Postal card to Duart

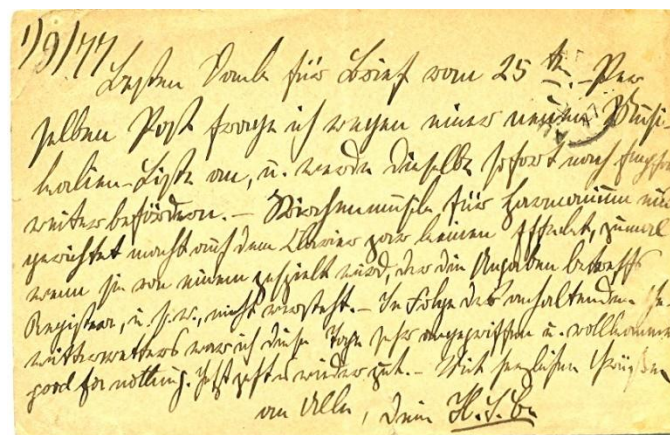


Fig. 2. Reverse of the card.

16th and 17th centuries, but it deteriorated to ruins by the early 19th century. At some point in the 18th century, the ancestral household moved to a newly built Georgian home at Torosay, two and a half miles away on the same estate.

Torosay Castle was demolished in 1858 and rebuilt as a country home by owner John Campbell. The grander, new residence was named Duart House (Figure 3). Financial losses suffered during the American Civil War forced Campbell to sell the property in 1865, allowing Mr. Guthrie and his wife, Anne, to purchase the estate. It was their home until Guthrie died in 1897. Later, Duart House was to be renamed Torosay Castle.

Unfortunately for Anne Guthrie, the law did not allow a wife to inherit her husband’s real estate holdings, forcing ownership of her home to go to the next legitimate male heir. As no children had issued from the marriage of the Guthries, the estate went to a distant nephew. It is reported that Anne stripped the house of all art, furnishings and household items, taking them to London where she established a new residence. The new owner discovered a

completely bare house when he came to inspect his inheritance!

Interestingly enough, this is not the end of the Duart story. The punch line came 111 years later in 2008 when the current owner, Chris James, the fifth laird of Torosay Castle (*Figure 4*), was preparing the property for sale. During the cleanup, he hired a locksmith to make a key to open a locked cabinet which was part of a huge built-in dining room sideboard. Inside he found a “treasure of alcoholic delights.” The supreme find was a bottle of 1893 Veuve Clicquot champagne in perfect condition. The darkness of the cabinet had preserved both the paper label and the appearance of the contents. This bottle was returned to the vineyard and is now on display in Reims, France. Since there is only one remaining bottle of this vintage, it is the most exclusive champagne in the world and considered priceless!

Unusual postal history destinations can lead to remarkable stories. Look at some of your cards and covers, use the internet, especially Google Maps, and see what *you* discover.



Fig. 4. Chris James with the prize bottle.

Evergreen Stamp Club Holiday Party (Kent, Washington)

On December 18, 2024, the Evergreen Stamp Club held their holiday party with a turkey and ham dinner catered by Cave Man Kitchen. Attendees brought desserts and beverages of choice. Entertainment included a white elephant gift exchange which was fun for all.



Quite the Feast!



Bill Geijsbeek, former NWFSC Executive Secretary, opening his white elephant gift

Photo credit to Lisa Foster

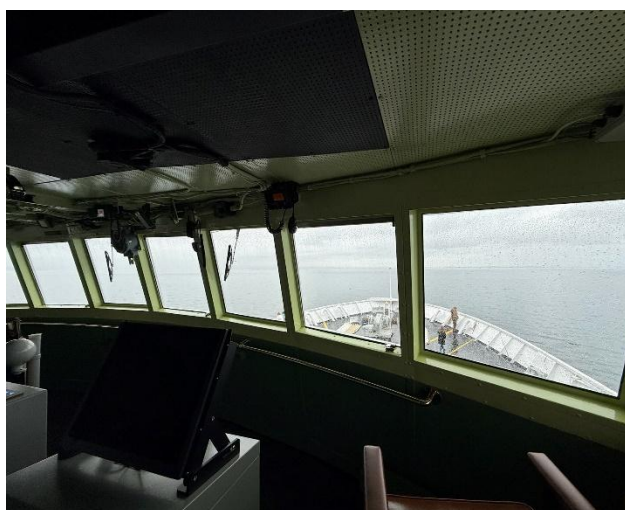
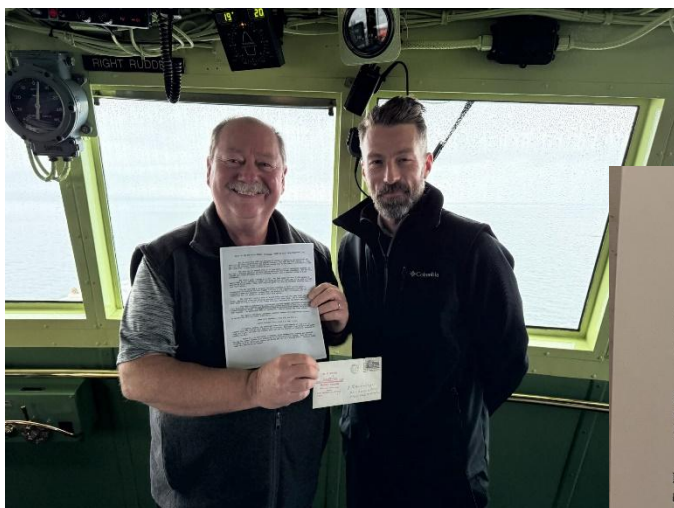
MV COHO

by Phil Castell, Strait Stamp Society
Sequim, Washington

On December 29th, 2024, I rode the MV Coho on the 65th anniversary of its inaugural run from Port Angeles, Washington, to Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

I presented an original cover and insert to the purser Nathan and that earned me an invite to meet Captain Ben on the Bridge.

A great experience I shall never forget.



FACTS ON THE NEW MOTOR VESSEL "COHO" OWNED BY BLACK BALL TRANSPORT, INC.

The 341-foot-long COHO was designed by Philip F. Spaulding and Associates and built by the Puget Sound Bridge and Drydock Company. The keel was laid January 12, 1959, the ship was launched on May 25 and she was turned over to her owners on December 23, 1959. Her total cost is over three million dollars.

The ship has an overall beam of 72' and draws 12'6" at calculated capacity load. She has a cruising speed of 16 knots and is driven by two 8-foot propellers. Her two main engines are Cooper-Bessemer direct-reversing diesels with a combined rating of 4,160 horsepower.

The COHO's gross tonnage is 5,360. Her fuel tanks can hold 70,900 gallons of heavy fuel, 11,600 gallons of diesel and 3,000 gallons of clean lube oil as well as 23,200 gallons of fresh water. This tank capacity gives the ship an estimated cruising range of over 7,000 miles.

The car deck has a vertical overhead clearance of 14'6" and has space to accommodate 76 standard 24-foot freight trailers or 108 long-wheelbase automobiles. Passengers have two spacious lounges with low windows for full visibility, and the restaurant will be opened at an early date this spring.

The ship will carry a crew of around twenty men who will have their own dining rooms, recreation rooms and sleeping quarters on the upper deck. Due to rotation of the crew there will be a total of some forty full-time employees on the ship's payroll.

The ship is designed for roll-on and roll-off freight operations between Seattle, Port Townsend, Port Angeles and Victoria with service provided to and from beyond and inland points by truck. Passenger service will be provided only between Victoria and Port Angeles. No passengers will be carried to, from or between any other points.

Her spring and winter passenger schedule between Port Angeles and Victoria is as follows with two round trips daily:

Leave Port Angeles---7:00 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Leave Victoria-----9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Effective January 13, Greyhound buses will leave Seattle at 7:45 a.m. to connect with the COHO at Port Angeles for Victoria. Passengers from Victoria may leave there at 9 a.m. via COHO and connect with the bus for Seattle at 12:45 p.m. arriving in Seattle at 4:15.

There will be additional crossings daily between Port Angeles and Victoria during the summer months with schedules to be announced this spring. Fare for the crossing will be \$2.00 per person and \$6.00 per car on a one-way basis. Special group rates are available on request.

In 1959, the price of vehicle and 2 passengers was \$10 and now 65 years later it is \$99, almost a 10-fold increase. By reference, US postage was 4¢ and it is now 73¢, an 18-fold increase.

PROSPECTUS - PIPEX 2025

An American Philatelic Society World Series of Philately (WSP) Event
May 2 through May 4, 2025

Monarch Hotel, 12566 SE 93rd Ave, Clackamas, OR 97015
Sponsored by: THE NORTHWEST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

ALL exhibits will be mounted physically in frames at the show and will be judged in the frames. Exhibitors are encouraged *also* to submit their exhibits virtually, to be posted on the PIPEX website.

Important Dates	
Feb.18, 2025	Deadline for convening societies' exhibit application preference
March 18, 2025	Deadline for exhibit applications and for updated title/synopses pages
April 16, 2025	Deadline for receipt of virtual copies of exhibits
April 29, 2025	Deadline for receiving shipped exhibits
May 1, 2025	Personal delivery of exhibits

A. Exhibitors:

- a) Any collector, regardless of residence or club affiliation, is eligible to enter a competitive exhibit by conforming to the requirements of this prospectus. An exhibit that has won the APS Champion of Champions award is not eligible for competition. Exhibits winning PIPEX Grand awards are not eligible for competition for two years after their award. An exhibit winning a grand award in a WSP show in the current exhibiting year is not eligible for competition.
- b) All competitive exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.

B. Exhibit Classes:

- a) GENERAL CLASS is open to any competitive exhibit except those eligible for either the youth or one-frame class.
- b) ONE FRAME CLASS
- c) YOUTH CLASS is open to exhibitors who will be age 21 or younger on January 1, 2024. Entry applications for this class must include a statement, endorsed by an adult, that the entry is the property of, and was prepared by, the entrant. Youth exhibitors: please also see the Youth section of the PIPEX website.
- d) NON-COMPETITIVE CLASS

Exhibits in any of the classes above may be in any of a variety of subclasses, viz. Advertising, Patriotic and Event Cover; Aerophilately; Astrophilately; Cinderella; Display; Experimental; First Day Cover; Maximaphily; Picture Postcard; Postal History; Postal Stationery; Revenue; Thematic; Topical; Traditional.

C. Entry:

- a) An individual exhibitor may submit up to two multi-frame exhibits and up to two single-frame exhibits.
- b) All exhibits must be entered by Class on the official entry form provided by the PIPEX Exhibit Committee. The correct fees must accompany the entry form.
- c) Single-frame exhibits will be accepted in priority sequence:
 - 1) One exhibit each by members of convening societies, youth (up to six youth exhibits), and first-time exhibitors in any WSP show.
 - 2) One exhibit each by residents of the area served by the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs
 - 3) One exhibit each by any other exhibitors
 - 4) Second exhibit by exhibitors, following the same priorities as in categories (1) to (3) above
 - 5) Entries will be accepted up to March 18, 2025, or until all available space has been filled if that event should occur earlier.
- d) Receipt of entries will be promptly acknowledged. A defined number of frames are reserved for the convening organizations until February 18, 2025.
- e) Signing the official entry form denotes acceptance by the exhibitor of all requirements set out in this prospectus.

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- f) Each exhibit entry must include (1) the Entry Form, (2) the title page, (3) a one- or two-page synopsis, and (4) the required fee. Mail payment to Norma Nielson, 1561 Braeman Village, Eugene, OR 97405. Title pages and synopses may also be mailed to the same address, but the PIPEX Committee *prefers* to receive them by email to nnielson@ucalgary.ca, in Word, PDF, or rtf format attachments to an email message. Entry forms may be either mailed or emailed.

Entries submitted without the title page and synopsis will not be accepted. Revised title pages and/or synopses may be forwarded by March 18, 2025, to the mail or email address just given.

D. Frames and Pages:

- a) Exhibits will be displayed in frames that hold 16 pages, maximum 8.5 inches by 11 inches or A4 in size, in 4 horizontal rows of 4 pages each. Wider pages are acceptable if they fit in a row of a frame.
- b) Pages must be numbered consecutively on the back, bear the exhibitor's name on the back (not the front), and be enclosed in transparent sheet protectors.
- c) Each GENERAL CLASS exhibit is limited to a maximum of ten (10) frames. Each YOUTH CLASS exhibit is one frame, except that experienced youth exhibitors may apply for up to five frames.

E. Exhibit Fees:

- a) The entry fee for adult exhibits is \$50.00; in addition, the frame fee is \$10.00 per frame. Thus, single frame exhibits must pay fees of \$60 each, a four-frame exhibit \$90, and a ten-frame exhibit \$150. The fee includes mounting a virtual copy on the PIPEX website if provided by the exhibitor.
- b) Youth Class – \$5.00 per frame

Note: If the exhibit is to be returned to the exhibitor by the PIPEX Exhibit Committee after the show, the full amount of return postage plus insurance must be remitted with the entry application. Excess amounts over \$1.00 will be refunded.

F. Delivery:

- a) Exhibitors can deliver their exhibits in person or via an agent. Otherwise, exhibits should be sent via USPS mail or express carrier such as FEDEX. Other material should not be enclosed in the same package as the exhibit.
- b) Mailed exhibits must be shipped prepaid to be received by the PIPEX Exhibit Committee no later than April 29, 2025. Exhibits delivered by an exhibitor or an agent may be handed to the PIPEX Exhibit Committee between the hours of 3:00 and 6:00 p.m., May 1, 2024 at the Monarch hotel, 7900 NE 82nd Avenue, Clackamas, OR.
- c) If the exhibit is to be shipped, it should be sent to:
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| 1955 Salem-Dallas Hwy NW | than the address for exhibit entry forms |
| Salem OR 97304 | |
| Attn: George Struble | |
- d) An exhibitor who indicates on the exhibit entry form an intent to send the exhibit *also* virtually, s/he will be sent instructions for electronic delivery.

G. Exhibition Hours/Exhibit Return:

- a) The exhibition will open at 10:00 a.m. on May 2 and will close at 4:00 p.m. on May 4.
- b) Exhibitors or their agents, on providing proof of identity, may obtain their exhibit from the PIPEX Exhibit Committee immediately after the close of the exhibition.
- c) **No exhibit or part thereof may be mounted, dismantled, or removed during official show hours. Those with tight airline schedules will be allowed access to takedown at 3:30 p.m. Otherwise please do not exhibit if you will need to take your exhibit down before 4:00 p.m. on May 4, 2025.**

H. Insurance:

- a) Exhibit owners must provide their own insurance.
- b) All reasonable precautions will be taken for safeguarding the exhibits while they are in the possession of the PIPEX Committee. The exhibit area and bourse will have 24-hour security guards.

- c) The exhibitor agrees that no responsibility of any kind or character will attach to the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs nor to any officers or members of the same, nor to the PIPEX Committee or to any of its members, nor to the Portland Philatelic Exhibitions, nor to Monarch Hotel or its employees, for any loss or damage to any exhibit or material submitted in competition or non-competition, from any cause whatsoever.

I. Judging:

- a) A panel of APS accredited judges will make decisions by deliberation and consultation among themselves; their decisions will be final. Judges will receive the exhibit title and synopsis pages to assist in their preparation; some materials may be made available on the PIPEX website unless the exhibitor indicates on the Entry Form that s/he wishes to opt out.
- b) Judging will be in accordance with the *APS Manual of Philatelic Judging and Exhibiting, Seventh Edition (October 2019)*. It is strongly recommended that exhibitors study this latest edition, available on the APS web site (https://stamps.org/Portals/0/Judging-Manual_1.pdf).

J. Awards:

- a) For the GENERAL CLASS the PIPEX Exhibit Committee will place at the disposition of the judges, PIPEX large gold, gold, large vermeil, vermeil, large silver, silver, silver-bronze and bronze medals plus ribbons, certificates of award, certificates of appreciation and other awards, including the Grand and Reserve Grand award.
- b) For the SINGLE FRAME CLASS, judging will be based on the same eight levels of awards, with a Grand award for the best single frame exhibit.
- c) All awards will be granted in accordance with merits of the exhibit.
- d) The winner of the multi-frame PIPEX Grand Award will be eligible for, and is expected to enter, the APS Champion of Champions competition at the APS Great American Stamp Show, August 14-17, 2025, in Schaumburg, IL. The winner of the single-frame grand award will be eligible for, and expected to enter, the corresponding Single Frame Champion of Champions competition at Chicagopex to be held November 21-23, 2025.

K. Ruling Authority:

Any and all questions that may arise concerning the exhibition which are not provided for by the requirements of this prospectus will be decided by the PIPEX Host Committee in its sole and absolute discretion.

Questions:

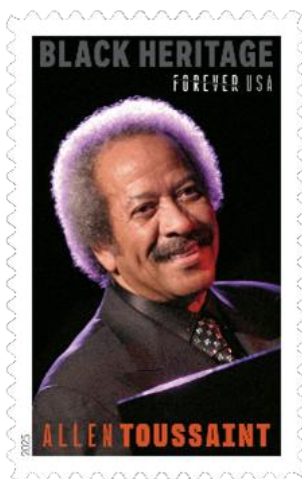
Send all correspondence to: Dr. Norma Nielson
 PIPEX Exhibits Chair
 1561 Braeman Village
 Eugene, OR 97405
 nnielson@ucalgary.ca

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Postal Code/Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

The PIPEX 2025 show program will indicate the name and province/state/country of exhibitors unless anonymity is requested. Pseudonyms, including "Anonymous", will be accepted.
Pseudonym if desired: _____

List club and society affiliations:
Hawaiian Philatelic Society _____ Northwest Postal History Society _____

Have you ever shown an exhibit at any WSP Stamp Show? Yes _____ No _____

For this exhibit: Class _____ No. of frames _____

Entry fee \$60.00 for adult 1-frame exhibit (enclosed)	\$
Entry fee \$50.00 + \$10.00 per frame for 2+ frames (enclosed)	\$
Entry fee \$5.00 per frame for youth exhibits	\$
Return Postage (if applicable)	\$
Award Banquet tickets: _____ check here if you wish to be contacted when banquet details are finalized.	

Total (enclosed) _____ \$

Title of exhibit: _____

Exhibit description for show program (Maximum of 25 words): _____

Important reminder: One copy of the title page and a one- or two-page synopsis must be submitted with this entry (preferably by email to nnielson@ucalgary.ca). Revisions to the title page and/or synopsis may be submitted up to March 18, 2025.

Delivery Options for physical exhibits:

_____ I will personally deliver my exhibit to the Monarch Hotel, 12566 SE 93rd Ave, Clackamas, OR 97015, between the hours of 3:00 and 6:00 p.m. on May 1, 2025.

_____ My exhibit will be delivered by my agent (_____) to the same place and time as stated above.

_____ My exhibit will be delivered commercially, via _____, by April 29, 2025, to

Capital Manor
1955 Salem-Dallas Hwy NW
Salem OR 97304
Attn: George Struble

Note: this is a different address from that for other correspondence

Delivery of virtual exhibits:

_____ I intend to submit this exhibit virtually for posting on the PIPEX website. This is encouraged but optional; fees are not affected. Instructions will be provided.

Return Options:

_____ I will personally pick up my exhibit following the close of the PIPEX Show on May 4, 2025, after 3:00 p.m., at the Monarch Hotel.

_____ My agent _____, will pick up my exhibit following the close of the PIPEX Show on May 4, 2025, after 3:00 p.m., at the Monarch Hotel.

_____ Please ship my exhibit to me via _____. \$ _____ is enclosed to cover return shipment.

Exhibit entry forms and payments for entry fees, shipping and the awards banquet shall be made payable to **PIPEX 2025** and shall be sent to **Norma Nielson, 1561 Braeman Village, Eugene, OR 97405**. All payments shall be made in US funds; payments from outside the U.S. can be made by PayPal.

I have read and agree to the PIPEX exhibit rules and understand that I am responsible for insuring my own exhibit. I will not hold the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs, the PIPEX Host Committee, their officers, members, or employees, Portland Philatelic Exhibitions, or the Monarch Hotel or its employees, liable for any loss or damage to my exhibit.

I agree that the decision of the judges shall be final.

(Signature of Exhibitor)

Youth Class Only:

Exhibitor's Birth date: _____ (Month/Date/Year)

Adult Endorsement: "This entry is the property of and was prepared by the youth entrant named herein".

(Signature of Adult Sponsor)

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Nominations are Open

for the three Federation awards which, when awarded, are given at PIPEX.

- 1) Each member organization can nominate yearly one, maybe more, member for the **Club Member Service** award. This award may be received by an individual only once. All nominees will be announced at the PIPEX meeting and a certificate prepared for them.
- 2) Each member organization can nominate one individual for the **Meritorious Achievement** Award. The award can be won only once. The winner(s) will be recognized at the PIPEX banquet.
- 3) Each member organization can nominate one individual for the **Northwest Distinguished Philatelist** Award. The award can be won only once. The winner(s) will be recognized at the PIPEX banquet.

Nominations

Nominations can be made by any member organization or by a Board member and should be submitted in a letter directed to the Executive Secretary [larry.crain@gmail.com or PO Box 4395, Medford, OR 97501]. In the nominating letter, include the nominee's achievements and qualifications in less than 350 words or 35-50 for the Club Member Service award. These nominations should be received by April 1 (technically the by-laws say earlier but this was before electronic communication).

Any resident of the Northwest Federation area is eligible for the Meritorious Achievement Award and the Northwest Distinguished Philatelist Award. The Distinguished Philatelist nominee need not be a member of a Federation organization.

The Executive Secretary will gather all nominations and forward them to the Board members for a **yah** or **nay** vote. A 2/3 vote is needed to receive the award. There is no

requirement of the number awarded yearly. The Club Member Service Award does not need a vote of the Board.

Criteria

The achievement criteria for the Member Service Award shall be the rendering outstanding and distinguished local service by:

- 1) Having promoted and furthered the goals of philately in general.
- 2) Having provided distinguished service, primarily to a member organization or group of member organizations. This award will be based on a combination of length of leadership, quality of leadership, and achievements.

The achievement criteria for the Northwest Distinguished Philatelist Award shall be having rendered outstanding and distinguished service to philately in general in one or more of the following areas:

- 1) Published research and study in some aspect of philately.
- 2) Assembling a world-class collection.
- 3) Significant furthering of philately on a national scale.

The achievement criteria for the Federation Meritorious Achievement Award shall be:

- 1) Having rendered outstanding and distinguished service directly to the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs and its member organizations.
- 2) Having promoted and furthered the goals of the Federation as stated in the Constitution.
- 3) Having provided direct, significant contributions to the Federation as an organization in administration, leadership, and support.

You can see previous winners below.

Federation Award Listings

-- *Compiled by Jack R. Congrove, Northwest Federation (2019) and updated by Carol J. Edholm (2024)*

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-)
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 (Jerry) D. Johnson; Kennewick, WA
2019: Lisa D. Foster; Kent, WA
2019: Roger A. Heath; Port Townsend, WA
2020: no award - covid
2021: no award - covid
2022: Bill Seymour; The Dalles, OR
2023: no award
2024: no award

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
2019: no award
2020: no award - covid
2021: no award - covid
2022: no award
2023: no award
2024: no award

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 the 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: Erval 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. Richar Robinson; Salem, OR
1979: no award
1980: Peter Steernberg; Vancouver, BC
1981: Louise P. Cochran, Tacoma, WA
1982: Florence H. Waldron; Portland, OR
1983: Ingeburg L. Fisher; Spokane, WA
1984: no award
1985: D. 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
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

CLUB ACTIVITIES



The **Alaska Collectors' Club** has been a Federation member since 2016. Publish quarterly journal, *The Alaskan Philatelist*. Annual dues \$15 for US members and \$20 for members from elsewhere. Contact Eric Knapp eknapp@gci.net. www.alaskaphilatellic.org



The **American Air Mail Society – Northwest Chapter** has been a Federation member since 1983. Publish quarterly newsletter *Air Mail Northwest*. No website. Dues \$__ per year for print and \$__ for electronic distribution.



The **Anchorage Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 1963. Publish quarterly newsletter, *The Anchorage Philatelist*. Meet second and fourth Wednesday at Turnagain United Methodist Church. Dues \$10 per year, \$15 for families and \$2 for youth. www.anchoragephilatellic.org



The **British Columbia Philatelic Society** is a Charter member of the Federation that joined in 1936. Meet Wednesdays at 7:30 pm church hall of South Burnaby United Church in Burnaby. Third Wednesday usually monthly auction. Dues \$20 per year for individuals, \$30 for families and \$7.50 for students younger than 18. www.bcphilatellic.org.



The **British North America Philatelic Society** (Pacific Northwest Regional Group) joined the Federation in 1998. Publish *West Coast Express*. Hold regional group meeting at VANPEX. In our area, are the Calgary, Edmonton and Pacific Northwest Chapters. PNW Chapter publishes the *British Columbia Postal History Newsletter*. Dues \$30USD/\$35CDA for all. <http://www.bnaps.org/regional/pnwr/RG-pnwr.php>.

Calgary Philatelic Society has been a Federation members since _____. Meet first Wednesday (except July & August) at 7:00 pm with auction, then presentation. Annual dues \$25 (plus \$10 administration fee for new members). www.calgaryphilatellicsociety.com.

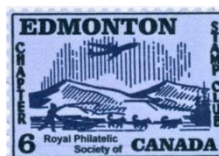


The **Central Oregon Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2016. Meet first Saturday at 10:00 am at Zion Lutheran. They accept donations in lieu of dues. Contact info@centraloregonstampclub.org. www.centraloregonstampclub.org



The **Collectors Club of Seattle** has been a Federation member since 1954. Do not have a website or newsletter. Dues \$__. Contact hstamps1@frontier.com.

The **Eagle Stamp and Postcard Club** has been a Federation member since 2015. Do not publish newsletter. Hold auctions four times per year. Meet first Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Eagle Methodist Church. No dues listed. <http://www.eaglestampandpostcardclub.com/>.



The **Edmonton Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2009. Publish monthly newsletter, *Bulletin*. Each edition is full of interesting news and articles. Meet second and fourth Mondays at 6:00 pm at St. Joseph Catholic High School. Dues \$30 per year for individuals, \$40 for families. One-time \$8 fee for name tag. www.edmontonstampclub.com.



The **Evergreen Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 1976. Publish monthly newsletter. Meet third Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Kent Commons Rec Center. The club is preparing for their show in mid-April. Dues \$20 per year. <http://stamps.org/Evergreen-Stamp-Club>.

The **Fraser Valley Philatelic Club** has been a Federation member since 2017. Do not publish newsletter. Subject to school availability, meet third Tuesday of September and second Tuesday every other month (except July and August) at 6:00 pm at the W. J. Mouat School in Abbotsford. Annual dues \$__. <http://stampclub.ca/fraservalley/>.

The **Garden City Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 1999. Do not publish newsletter. Meet first Wednesday and third Monday at 7:00 pm at Atonement Lutheran Church in Missoula. Annual dues \$10. <http://gardencitystampclub.com/>.

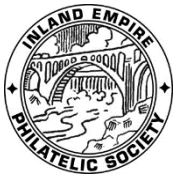
The **Gastineau Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 1974. Do not publish newsletter. Meet third Thursday at 6:00 pm at 360 Egan Drive, Juneau.



The **Greater Eastside Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 2013. Publish *GESS Newsletter* via e-mail only. Do not have website. Meet first and third Thursday at 7:00 pm at 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. Meet second and fourth Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Saint Jude's Catholic Church. Dues \$15 and \$5 for youth. <http://greater.eugenestampclub.weebly.com/>.



The **Inland Empire Philatelic Society** is a Founding member of the Federation that joined in 1935. Publish monthly newsletter, *The Lilac Hinge*. Meet second (mixture/board meeting @ 5:00pm) and fourth (regular meeting/program/ auction @ 6:30pm) Tuesdays (except July and December), Spokane Valley Eagles Hall, 16801 East Sprague Avenue; Spokane Valley, WA. July picnic and December holiday dinner. Dues \$10 per year for individuals, \$15 for families and \$5 for youth under 18. www.ieps-stamps.com.

The **Linn County Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 2012. Do not publish newsletter, nor have website. Meet second Thursday at 7:00 pm at The Villas. Contact George Larson: larsonglf@mindspring.com.

The **Lynden Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2017. Do not publish newsletter, nor have website. Meet last Tuesday at 6:00 pm at Lynden City Hall conference room. Dues \$___ per year. Contact Dave Burger: dave@thegreenbarn.com.

The **Lynn Valley Stamp Club** joined the Federation in 2018. Do not publish newsletter, nor have website. Meet second and fourth Wednesday 1:00 to 3:30 pm at Molly Nye House in North Vancouver, BC. Dues \$___ per year. Contact Neil Worley: sandnworley@shaw.ca.

Northwest Philatelic Library. Open second and fourth Saturday at OSS Clubhouse. <https://nwpl.org/>.

The **Okanagan Mainline Philatelic Association** has been a Federation member since 1996. Publish *OMPA News*. Meet five times a year in January, March, May, September and November. They are members clubs in Kelowna (Seniors Citizens Association Branch 17, 2nd Wednesday at 7-9pm), Penticton (Seniors Drop-in Centre Society, first Sunday at 2-4pm) and Vernon (The People Place, 3rd Saturday at 1-3pm). Dues \$12.00 per year; \$15.00 for family. <https://www.okanaganstampclubs.ca/>

The **Olympia Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 2012. Publish electronic newsletter. Meet second and fourth Monday at 6:00 pm at Tumwater Mobile Estates Clubhouse. Dues \$12 for individuals, \$15 for families and Free for youth per year. <http://olympiaphilatelic.society.org/>.

The **Olympic Philatelic Society** has been a Federation member since 1953. Do not publish newsletter, nor have website. Meet fourth Tuesday at 6:30 pm at DK Enterprises store, 10 NE Silve Pine Drive; Bremerton, WA. Contact stamps@dickkeiser.com.



The **Oregon Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 1937. Publish monthly newsletter, *The Album Page*. Meet second (2:00 pm) and fourth (8:00 pm) Tuesday at their clubhouse. Dues \$28 per year for regular members, \$26 for associate members who reside outside the area, and \$26 for youth. <https://oregonstampsociety.com/>

The **Pacific Northwest Postal History Society** has been a Federation member since 2001. Meet annually at PIPEX. Publish quarterly journal, *The Oregon Country*. Each issue has articles with historical images and nice illustrations of NW postal historical material. Dues \$20 per year. www.pnwphs.org.



The **Peace Arch Stamp Club** was first a Federation member in 2014. Do not publish newsletter. Meet first Wednesday (except July and August) at 5:00 pm at Surrey Come Share Seniors Centre. Dues \$20 per year. www.peacearchstampclub.com/.

Portland Philatelic Exhibitions. <https://www.pipexstampshow.org/>

The **Puget Sound Collectors' Club** has been a Federation member since 2017. Do not publish newsletter, nor have 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 meconopst@earthlink.net.

The **Regina Philatelic Club** has been a member of the Federation since 2017. Publish quarterly newsletter, *Regina Philatelic Quarterly*. Meet first and third Wednesday from September through May at 7:30 pm at Access Communications Cooperative, second floor boardroom, 2250 Park Street, Regina, SK. Dues \$20 per year. <https://regina stampclub.ca/>



The **Salem Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 1948. Publish monthly newsletter, *Willamette Stamp & Tongs*. Meet third Wednesday at 7:30 pm at Scottish Rite Center (with Zoom option). Dues \$10 per year for individuals, \$15 for couples. www.salemstampsociety.org.



The **Sno-King Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 1963. Publish monthly newsletter, *Sno-King Stamp Club Philatelic News*. Meet second Wednesday at Snohomish County PUD in Everett. Edmonds meetings on hold until further notice. Dues \$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. Publish monthly newsletter. Meet first and third Thursdays (except December) at 7:00 pm at First Methodist Church, 607 West Main; Medford. Club is preparing for their annual show in early June. Dues \$15 per year. <https://classic.stamps.org/SOPS>



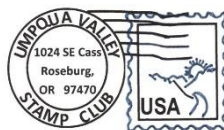
The **Strait Stamp Society** has been a Federation member since 1977. Publish bi-monthly newsletter, *Strait Stamp Talk*. Meet first Thursday at 6:00 pm at Sequim Bible Church. Also hold informal mid-month morning meeting at local Burger King. This year, members at the monthly meetings are sharing philatelic items starting with a number; April is #4. No dues, but accept donations. www.straitstamp.org.

The **Tacoma Stamp Club** is a founding member of the Federation. Publish quarterly newsletter, *Tacoma Philatelist*. Meet first Wednesday at 6:00 pm at Bay

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Terrace Community Center in Tacoma. Dues \$15 per year. Contact sharwilkey@gmail.com.

The **Tri-Cities Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 1966. Publish monthly newsletter, *The Triangle*. Meet fourth Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Royal Colombian Retirement Inn activities room in Kennewick. Dues \$__ per year for adults, \$__ for students. Website:



The **Umpqua Valley Stamp Club** has been a Federation member since 2018. Publish monthly newsletter, *Umpqua Valley Stamper*. Do not have website. Meet third Monday, except June and December, at 7:15 pm in St. George Episcopal Parish Hall in Roseburg. Dues \$15 per year. Contact adams@mcsi.net.



USS Puget Sound Chapter 74 of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society has been a Federation member since 1978. Do not have chapter newsletter, but the Society publishes the monthly *USCS Log*. Annual dues \$19 for US, \$58 international and \$19 electronic delivery. www.uscs.org.



The **Victoria Stamp Club/Vancouver Inland Philatelic Society** is a Charter member of the Federation that joined in 1936 and has been a continuous member since then. Publish monthly newsletter, *The Guideline*. Philatelic library for members. Meetings include a small auction. Meet second and/or third Friday at 7:00 pm at St. Peter's Anglican Church Hall (second) or Windsor Park Pavilion (third). Dues \$__. Website: www.vicstamps.com



The **Washington State Philatelic Society** is a Founding member of the Federation that joined in 1935. Do not publish newsletter, nor have website. Meet second and fourth Thursday at 7:00 pm at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Seattle.



The **Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs** publishes this quarterly journal. Holds a Board meeting at PIPEX each year in May.

[Ed. Note: If you would like to have news about your club activities and upcoming plans publishes in future columns, please email details to me @ peafowlphilatelics@gmail.com.]

UPCOMING STAMP SHOWS / BOURSES 2025

Show Dates			Major events in bold / <i>PNW events in Italic</i>	Revised: 17 January 2025	
FRI	SAT	SUN	SHOW NAME	LOCATION	TYPE
	25 Jan	26 Jan	Greater Eastside Show	Redmond, WA	Bourse
		9 Feb	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
	15 Feb	16 Feb	Regina, Saskatchewan Stamp Show, Regina Senior Citizens Centre (always 3 rd weekend)	Regina, SK	Show
21 Feb	22 Feb	23 Feb	APEX, 100 th anniversary Serum Run	Anchorage, AK	Show
	22 Feb		Vancouver Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
	1 Mar		Sno-King Stamp Club Show	Kenmore, WA	Bourse
	15 Mar		Eugene Stamp Show	Eugene, OR	Bourse
	15 Mar		PNWPHS at Oregon Stamp Society clubhouse	Portland, OR	Bourse
		16 Mar	Salem Stamp Show	Salem, OR	Bourse
	29 Mar	30 Mar	Edmonton Spring National Stamp Show	Edmonton, BC	Show
	29 Mar		John D. Arn Philatelic Symposium	Moses Lake, WA	Event
	5 Apr		Olympia Philatelic Society Spring Roundup	Lacey, WA	Bourse
	12 Apr	13 Apr	Evergreen Stamp Club Spring Show; Kent Commons (a week earlier due to Easter being our usual weekend)	Kent, WA	Bourse
25 Apr	26 Apr	27 Apr	WESTPEX (WSP)	Burlingame CA	Show
2 May	3 May	4 May	PIPEX (WSP)	Clackamas, OR	Show
		4 May	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
	10 May		Garden City Stamp Club Wallace Weekend event	Missoula, MT	Event
	10 May		Vancouver Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
6 Jun	7 Jun		SOPEX (Southern Oregon Philatelic Exhibition)	Medford, OR	Show
	19 Jul	20 Jul	Evergreen Stamp Club Summer Show; Kent Commons	2025 Kent, WA	Bourse
	9 Aug		Strait Stamp Show	Sequim, WA	Show
12 Sept	13 Sept		SEAPEX	Tukwila, WA	Bourse
	13 Sept		Vancouver Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
		14 Sept	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
19 Sept	20 Sept		Antique Paper Roundup; Lloyd Center (Thursday-Saturday)	Portland, OR	Bourse
19 Sept	20 Sept	21 Sept	BNAPEX (76th annual BNAPS Convention)	Vernon, BC	Show
		21 Sept	STAMPEX	Salem, OR	Bourse
	4 Oct		Eugene Stamp Show	Eugene, OR	Bourse
		5 Oct	Salem Stamp Show	Salem, OR	Bourse
			Central Oregon Stamp Show	Redmond, OR	Bourse
			VANPEX	Burnaby, BC	Show
			CALTAPEX; Kerby Centre Gymnasium	Calgary, AB	Show
			Olympia Philatelic Society Fall Roundup	Lacey, WA	Bourse
		16 Nov	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
	22 Nov		Vancouver Stamp Fair; Holiday Inn Express	Vancouver, BC	Bourse
			NSNS Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse

- Second Saturday each month Rose City Stamp Fair. OSS Clubhouse; Portland, OR; Bourse
- Fourth Saturday each month Collector's Corner. OSS Clubhouse; Portland, OR; Bourse

Secret Message from Page 27: "Someone, somewhere, wants a letter from you." (British Post Office slogan)