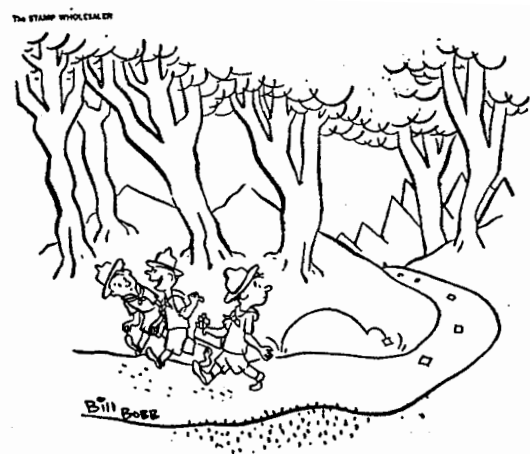


UnHinged...by Hugh More



"We won't get lost, Willie's marking the trail with some of his dad's old stamps!"



"We've been living up here since Hap's stamp collection has gotten so big!"

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From the President

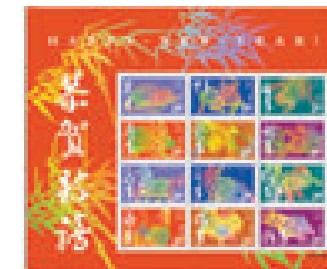
I hope all members of the Sequoia Stamp Club had a warm and wonderful Holiday Season with family and friends. As my term in office as the Club's President draws to a close, I'd like to thank all of you for making it an enjoyable experience. I want to give a special thanks to our Officers, Executive Board members, and Club Committee Chairs who made everything run smoothly and efficiently, with a big 'well-done' to Ernie Lee for stepping forward to handle the publishing of The Chatter. Under Kristin Patterson's leadership, and all of those who volunteered their time, you made it inevitable that PENPEX would have another successful show.

Looking forward to the New Year, I can only imagine the Club improving. As I said last year at this time: we still need more members stepping forward to put on a program, volunteer for committees, and get into leadership roles. To survive, all organizations require new and innovative ideas from its membership in order to stay alive and prosper.

To our newly elected Club President, best wishes and good luck during your tenure in office. I know the Club will be well served under your leadership.

Ed Rodriguez

Chinese Lunar New Year starts February 18, 2007. Do you know what animal year it is?



Upcoming Meetings

January 9, 2007
Past Presidents' Exhibits

January 23
Philatelic Literature
Ernie Lee

February 13
Live Auction

February 27
TBA - Ed Rodriguez

March 13
No Program Planned

March 27
No Program Planned

April 10
No Program Planned

April 24
No Program Planned

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Sequoia Stamp Club Holiday Party



Happy New Year to All

Once again we had another successful PENPEX show. Note everyone has a different definition of success so let me define mine.

Success for the PENPEX 2006 Chairperson (and Bourse and Facility Chair) was that:

1. All chair positions were filled by willing volunteers. The show has over 22 chair positions with anywhere from 1 to 12 volunteers working with the chair. Many of the volunteers have more than one role. Each chair works closely with at least 5 other groups. This makes for a lot of pieces that need to be coordinated and put in place.
2. All the dealers who committed to the show, paid in full, arrived to the show on time, and sold lots of stamps and philatelic material.
3. The Redwood City Community Center once again was a perfect venue with room for all our dealers, our auction, society meetings, and snack bar.
4. Speaking of auction, this year we had more lots than we could accept with a large number of lots selling to our show bidders.
5. The PENPEX show cachet sold like hotcakes. Miriam Thurston said, "Many people were curious about the photo stamps" which kept her busy the whole show.
6. And lastly we cannot forget the great weather.

A quote from one attendee who attended on Sunday, "PENPEX is one of the friendliest shows. The small venue gives a welcoming atmosphere." And an unexpected comment from PENPEX vice-chair Ernie Lee, "I cannot wait until next years' show so I can get a tuna sandwich from the snack bar. They were so good!" All around people enjoyed the show.

The end-of-the year PENPEX 2006 wrap-up meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2007 at 10:30 am sharp at Fresh Choice in Sequoia Station at the corner of El Camino Real and Jefferson. The meeting will run from 10:30 to 11 am where we will announce the results of the 2006 show and vote on 2007 officers. After that, PENPEX will pick up the all-you-can eat lunch or brunch if you missed breakfast. Please RSVP to Darlene Hickok, 650,-366-6132 by Wed. Jan. 10.

Thanks for everyone's support and look forward to next year.

Kristin Patterson
PENPEX Chairperson

The Caboose



PENPEX COMMITTEE

Chairperson	Kristin Patterson
Vice-Chairperson	Ernie Lee
Secretary	Darlene Hickok
Treasurer	Bill Dutcher
Sequoia Pres.	Ed Rodriguez
Peninsula Pres.	Paul Ortega
Program/Graphics	Ed Bierman
Mailing List	Paul Swierstra
Facility	Kristin Patterson
Setup	Eduardo Martino
Bourse	Kristin Patterson
Registration Desk	Ernie Lee
Youth Center	Darlene Hickok
Exhibits	Vesma Grinfelds
Frames	Fritz Gelb
Seminars	Ed Rodriguez
Cachet Program	Hank Washauer Miriam Thurston
Silent Auction	Jim Mosso
Snack Bar and Dealer Lunches	Jim Gaicomazzi
Banquet	Darlene Hickok
Security/Insurance	Bill Dutcher
Welcome Area	Ernie Lee

Sequoia Stamp Club Meeting Summaries - Continued

December 12, 2006
Redwood City Community Activities Building

Meeting called to order by President Ed Rodriguez at 8:00pm

Our guest tonight is Pat McLaughlin from Redwood City. Pat collects Colombian stamps. Welcome Pat!

Old Business: No old business

New Business: Jim Sauer wanted to commend Jim Giacomazzi and his wife on an excellent job in the snack bar. Everyone that was at the show agreed.

Larry Christiansen said that record time was made on setting up and tearing down. Great job Eduardo Martino and crew.

Hank Washauer said it was great to see a lot of new members at the show. PENPEX is good for the club

and the club is good for PENPEX.

Jim Mosso said that the silent auction had a better quality of stamps this year which made for success.

Miriam Thurston announced that she has cache's for sale. She also stated that next year we should have more postcards available to send out to friends, neighbors, etc.

Ed Rodriguez told us that about 2 pounds of stamps were boxed up and given to Lucille Packard Hospital.

Raffle Drawing: 1st Drawing was won by Jim Giacomazzi. 2nd Drawing was won by Marsha Brandsdorfer

Christmas party started! HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm
35 Members in attendance and 1 guest

All
Mixed
Up

Can you identify
what countries are in
this picture?



Sequoia Stamp Club Meeting Summaries

November 14, 2006
Redwood City Community Activities Building

Meeting called to order by President Ed Rodriguez at 8:00pm

Our guest tonight is Marsha Brandsdorfer from Mountain View. Marsha collects maps on stamps. Welcome Marsha!

Old Business: None

Nomincation of Officers: Hank Washauer announced the nomination of officers as follows:
President - Jim Giacomazzi
Vice President - Ed Rodriguez
Treasurer - Richard Griffone
Secretary - Darlene Hickok

New Business: Hank Washauer talked about the Jenny that was mailed with a ballot and also passed around an article he had about Penpex.

Ed Rodriguez announced that the Sequoia Exec Board meeting is at 7:00 pm before our next meeting on November 28th. The meeting will be held in Room 1 and all officers should be in attendance.

LeRoy Bertsch was voted in unanimously as our newest member. Welcome to the club LeRoy.

Jim Sauer talked about renewal to Linn's. If you have a subscription and want to save on renewal, see him about it.

Ernie Lee says he needs help at PENPEX at the welcoming table. He is passing around a signup sheet.

Ernie Lee passed around the new Chatter. Niiiiice Ernie.

Larry Christiansen reminded us that he will be presenting "Covers and the Stories They Tell" at the next meeting. Don't miss it.

A few members talked about their visit to SUNPEX.

Fritz Gelb told us that the frames for PENPEX must arrive here Friday morning and will be placed in the hallway.

Raffle Drawing: 1st Drawing was won by Ed Jesswani
2nd Drawing was won by Darlene Hickok

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm
33 Members in attendance and 1 guest

November 28, 2006
Redwood City Community Activities Building

Meeting called to order by President Ed Rodriguez at 8:00pm

Larry Christiansen introduced our guests tonight as Mike McGee from South San Francisco and Ann Gazebeek from Los Altos. Welcome to both of you.

Report from Executive Board Meeting was given by President Ed Rodriguez

Treasurer, Richard Griffone, gave financial Report

Election of Officers: Hank Washauer announced that all the officers did a great job last year and this years slate is:
President - Jim Giacomazzi
Vice President - Ed Rodriguez
Treasurer - Richard Griffone
Secretary - Darlene Hickok
Club members voted all officers in unanimously

Old Business: Bill Dutcher said that at the last meeting during the quiz that the answer to the first question was incorrect and should have been Virginia and not Washington.

Ernie Lee is still looking for volunteers for PENPEX
Jim Mosso also is in need of assistance in the auction area. He also announced that he is missing 2 catalogs from an old set they are selling in the auction, so please look around for them.

Jim Giacomazzi and Darlene Hickok both said they also need help in their areas.

Bill Dutcher read a letter from a person in Sri Lanka that would like stamps for kids. He will send them a box.

New Business: Ed Rodriguez said that Leroy Harbaugh has been nominated for a life member award. We now bring it before the club membership for a vote and he was voted for the award unanimously. Congratulations Leroy!

Raffle Drawing: 1st Drawing was won by Don Freeman, 2nd Drawing was won by Miriam Thurston

Larry Christiansen started his presentation on "Covers and the Stories They Tell". Great presentation Larry!

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm
34 Members in attendance and 2 guests

PENPEX

December 2 and 3, 2006

Album Pages



Clockwise on this page:

1. "E" Exhibits - Non-competitive.
2. Smile, you're on Candid Camera!
3. Yum...The Tuna Salad Sandwiches!
4. PENPEX Awards Banquet.
5. Miriam preparing cachets.



Clockwise on this page:

1. WOW...look at all those binders!
2. A winning exhibit.
3. Lots of entries to see.
4. Action at the dealer tables.
5. Hmm...do you have this stamp?