

Sequoia Stamp Club Chatter/PENPEX Caboose
On Line addition

July/August/September 2009

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Programs by Ed Rodriguez

July 14 Miriam Thurston will give a program called "Art with Stamps"

July 28 We are visited by our newest Life Member Vesma Grinfelds who tell us about the technique of exhibiting

Aug 11 A Live Auction conducted the stellar Auctioneer Jim Giacomazzi

Aug 18 Club picnic held in the beautiful area outside our club meeting room

Aug 25 Hank Washauer will give a program called "Cabbages and Kings and All Sorts of Things"
Executive Meeting

Sep 8 A quiz by the Quizmaster Jim Mosso

Sep 22 Ed Bierman will present a program called "How to Date Postcards"

Condensed Minutes

Jun 9 The Treasurer and Circuit Book Manager were out of the country to France (There will be no investigation). Gilbert Grable was voted in as a new member. It was announced there would be a reception for our Charter Member Bill Moll at the Village Church in Woodside from 1 to 5 PM. Darlene Hickok wants stamps with American Flags for the Youth on or off cover. Drawing 1st Richard Coleman 2nd Bill Dutcher Attendance 36 Approx.

June 23 Swap Meeting organized by Gil Goodrich. There was no formal meeting drawing 1st Jim Mosso 2nd Richard Griffone Attendance 36 Approx.

Notes to You by Hank Washauer President

Marsha Brandsdorfer has moved to Austin Texas she will remain in the club and still write her great article as soon as she is organized. We will all miss her as she was a great asset to the club.

Bill Moll our Charter member from 62 years ago will have a reception at the Woodside Village Church, 3154 Woodside Road, Woodside CA, on July 12 from 1PM to 5PM, drop in and say hello.

Our newsletter was awarded a Vermeil in the newsletter contest, a word of explanation the contest was judged exhibit style, Gold, Vermeil, Silver etc., not 1st, 2nd or 3rd, See reverse Get Your items ready for the Silent Auction at PENPEX see Jim Mosso for details.

Get a four page exhibit ready for PENPEX.

Our Pizza Bash will be held at Mountain Mike's, 120 El Camino Real, Redwood City CA on October 20 for members.

Support our Youth/Beginners by making a volunteer donation to help support this activity Don't forget PENPEX December 5 & 6

Sequoia Stamp Club Organized September 30, 1947

Our 62nd Year



THE AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

June 19, 2009

Mr. William E. Dutcher
Sequoia Stamp Club
1842 Los Altos Dr.
San Mateo, CA 94402-3642

Dear Mr. Dutcher:

Ernie Lee, editor of *Stamp Chatter*, has been awarded a Vermeil in the 2008 APS Chapter Newsletter Competition. Competition Manager Jane King Fohn and all the members of the APS Chapter Activities Committee have asked that we extend their congratulations!

The judges for this year's contest were Timothy Bartshe of Golden, Colorado, Douglas Kelsey, Tucson, Arizona, and Stephen Schumann, Hayward, California.

I would appreciate it if you would present the enclosed award certificate, signed by the President and Secretary of the American Philatelic Society, at an upcoming meeting of your club.

I hope that your club's participation in the APS Chapter Newsletter Competition proved rewarding and beneficial, and that you will continue to enjoy the benefits of Chapter membership.

Sincerely,

Ken Martin
Interim Executive Director

KPM/jj

Enclosure

2008 APS CHAPTER
NEWSLETTER COMPETITION

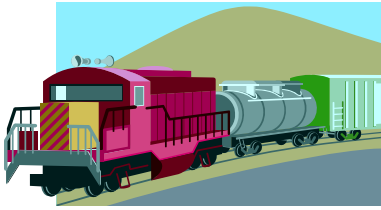
Vermell
Multi-Page
presented to

Sequoia Stamp Club
Stamp Chatter
Ernie Lee, Editor



Wade E. Saadi
Wade E. Saadi, President

Wayne L. Youngblood
Wayne L. Youngblood, Secretary



The Caboose

Dear PENPEX volunteers and attendees,

On Thursday, June 18, PENPEX 2009 held its first all committee meeting. As always it was well attended and everything appears to be on track for a successful Dec. 5 and 6 stamp show. I will give a short summary here. The minutes to the meeting are open to the public, so if anyone is interested in reading them, please contact the PENPEX Secretary, Jim Giacomazzi.

First, it was announced that Peninsula Philatelic Club has closed shop. It appears that their membership has declined to only two local members. We are sorry to see them go as they were an original founding club and have been active participants in PENPEX.

Second, there are always things that need to be done before the show but not on a specific date. For example, assist the Sequoia youth group in preparing for their activities during the show; put postage and labels on postcards; put together a 4-page fun exhibit; make plans to attend the Awards Banquet on Saturday, Dec. 5; and lastly but most importantly, tell others about the upcoming show

At the May 26 Sequoia meeting, short presentations by club members were given describing their 4-page fun exhibits that had been assembled for previous PENPEX shows. As mentioned in the Sequoia President's letter at the upcoming July 28 meeting, there will be a presentation by Vesma Grinfelds, PENPEX Exhibit Chair, on the topic of exhibiting. I hope everyone will attend and consider entering a 4-page exhibit. The title of your exhibit must start with the letter "C." That means it could be The China Clipper, Cute Dogs, Cancells from England, or be even more creative.

As a reminder, the Awards Banquet on Saturday, December 5, will be held at Paul's at the Villa just up the street on El Camino Real in San Mateo and tickets will go on sale in October. The \$20 per person ticket price includes coffee, tea, soda; soup or salad; entrée; dessert; tax; and tip. At the Banquet, the exhibit award levels will be announced for the first time and the winners of the special awards. Hope to see everyone there.

Lastly, new ideas are always welcomed. Please call me 408-267-6643, email me at penpexredwoodcity@yahoo.com, or as a last resort just talk to me at a Sequoia meeting.

Position Leaders	Officers
Chair	Kristin Patterson
Vice Chair	Ernie Lee
Secretary	Jim Giacomazzi
Treasurer	Bill Dutcher
Sequoia President	Hank Washauer
Dealers	Kristin Patterson
Program/Graphics	Ed Bierman
Welcome Area/Reg. Desk	Ernie Lee
Youth Center & Mailing List	Darlene Hickok
Exhibits	Vesma Grinfelds
Awards	Paul Ortega
Awards Banquet	John Dusel
Judges	Vesma Grinfelds
Setup and Takedown	Eduardo Martino
Frames	Eduardo Martino
Silent Auction	Jim Mosso
Facility	Kristin Patterson
Cachet/Cancells	Miriam Thurston
Cachet Program	Hank Washauer
Snack Bar	Leroy Bertsch and John Dusel
Seminars	Ed Rodriguez
Public Relations/ Publicity	Jim Giacomazzi

Kristin Patterson, PENPEX Chairperson

John Van Alstyne

Born on December 26, 1940 in Sacramento, CA, passed away June 23, 2009 at the age of 68. He manned Sherry Straley's booth at PENPEX and will be greatly missed.

STAMPS R US NEWS

The Youth Committee will be gathering in August to assemble the Third Quarter mailing to our youth/beginning adult members.

The silent auction held at the swap meet for all youth donations that were presented to us over the last few months was a sell-out. On behalf of myself, and the entire youth committee we would like to thank all of you that supported the youth auction and sales. The proceeds will definitely help our budget so we can keep moving forward. A special "thank you" goes out to Jim Giacomazzi who worked tirelessly to get the auction items ready and on the table, to Richard Griffone for taking in the proceeds from the sales and to committee member, John Dusel for managing the youth table.

We now have a "Youth Pledge Card" that anyone can use to submit any amount of money to help fund our youth program. We are very excited with the success of the donations that have been submitted so far to help with the youth budget. Without these donations it will be very difficult to plan projects, fund mailings and recruit new members. Thank you to all who opened their wallets during this poor economy to help this important endeavor. Donations, of course, will have to be a continuing effort for Sequoia Stamp Club to have a successful youth/beginner program.

Remember that I am always open to suggestions and I am sure I can speak for any of the youth committee members that they can be approached with ideas as well!

Darlene Hickok, Youth Chairperson. Committee Members: Joan Doherty, John Inglis, John Dusel, LeRoy Bertsch and Richard Coleman

Factoids

Strange Choices by the Postal Service

The Seabiscuit stamped envelope was cancelled in Kansas City MO

Why not San Bruno CA location of Tanforan Race Track now torn down

Why not San Mateo CA location of Bay Meadows Race Track now torn down

That's where Seabiscuit ran his greatest races except maybe Santa Anita or even

Against War Admiral in a match race on the east coast

The Bob Hope stamp was cancelled in San Diego CA

Why not Hollywood or Palm Springs or Cleveland OH

The Gary Cooper stamp is going to be cancelled in Los Angeles

Why not Hollywood where he gained his fame

The Gulf Coast Lighthouses will be cancelled in Biloxi MS

Hooray

The United States Supreme Court Justices will be cancelled in Washington DC

Hooray the second time

The Hawaii Statehood will be cancelled in Honolulu HI

Hooray the third time