

Stamp Chatter

SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES - JUNE 20, 2010

by Ed Rodriguez

IN MEMORIAM: I find it very hard to have to write another column announcing the death of Club members. Unfortunately two other valued members of the Sequoia Stamp Club have passed away since my last article in the Chatter.

Don Freeman, an enthusiastic stamp collector died after a running battle with cancer.

He was a good friend to all, helping out wherever needed in the Sequoia Club and Penpex Show activities. His memorial service was held on April 3rd. He will be sorely missed. **Ed Morey** a longtime member of the Sequoia Club, and very close personal friend of mine who passed away in his sleep. It was a very sad April.

The only answer to having an active, vibrant and interesting club are the volunteers who pitch-in and make it a success. Despite the continued setbacks by the loss of Sequoia's members, substantial progress is being made by other members stepping forward to fill the gap.

Tanja Ahrens has stepped up to fill-in for Darlene Hickok as Sequoia Club Secretary. Darlene also handed over the reins of the Youth Committee in an orderly transition. The Committee appointed Richard Coleman as its Chairperson.

The Chatter format has changed and will be printed in black and white. Layout, artwork and production will be directed by Miriam Thurston and Hank Washauer.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE EVENTS DATES

JULY 13 - John Dusel, JULY 27 - Ed Rodriguez,

AUGUST 10 - Live Auction, AUGUST 12 - Picnic

AUGUST 24 - Executive Meeting & A Surprise by Ed Rodriguez

SEPTEMBER 14 - Swap Meet / Gil Goodrich, SEPTEMBER 28 - TBA

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SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB OFFICERS - 2010



PRESIDENT - Ed Rodriguez
VICE PRESIDENT - Jim Giacomazzi
SECRETARY - Darlene Hickok
Interim Secretary - Tanja Ahrens
TREASURER - Richard Griffone



CONDENSED MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS April, May & June 2010

April 13: Kristin Patterson donated her book "Westpex" The first 50 years" to the club and we had a major malfunction with the DVD player to give a presentation, so we had to get acquainted with each other and at each meetings we also have Silent Stamp Auctions. Attendance usually are 35 more or less.
April 27: Featured event that night was showing a movie of the "Nazi Scourge and it impact on philately.

May 11: Hank Washauer announced the membership list is up-to-date. Silent Auction Rules clarified: If bidding is going on when bell rings it continues until finished, Richard Coleman is interim Youth Chairman and Tanja Ahrens is interim Secretary. Also on May 11: Miriam gave a talk from her stamp collections on the "Shroud of Turin" showing interesting stamps she collected from her visit to Torino, Italy 2000 who had seen the actual Shroud Image of the Jesus of Nazarene.

May 25: A test given by John Dusef on philately listed interesting questions on the history and the technical names of certain stamps, etc.

June 8: The Loud Auction Sales was very successful there were many interesting lots sold. Jim Masso announced a warning and is encouraging to those who is to submit their stamp lots for the upcoming Perpex Show a popular and successful Silent Auction each year Show Date is Dec. 4 & 5, 2010.

June 27: Swap Meet always a success !

Sequoia Stamp Club is proud that is a full service stamp club providing:

Silent Auctions, Live Auctions, Programs, Swap Meets and we give away \$10 & \$5 prizes at each meetings.

Jim Masso brings many Circuit Stamp Books to every meeting for sale.

Leroy brings at each meetings TONS of Scott Catalogs, from A to Z to borrow and to check out. (read page 4)

Chris Thompson sets up Coffee, Tea & Cookies faithfully at every meeting.

"STAMPS - R - US" Youth Program

Chairperson - Darlene Hickok

Interim Chairperson - Richard Coleman

(For more info read "CABOOSE" "on page 5)



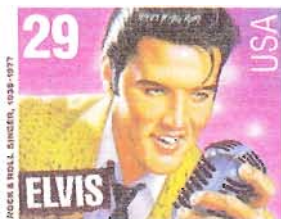
COME TO OUR ANNUAL SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB

"PICNIC" Tuesday, AUGUST 12

WILL BE HELD AT BACK OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER MEETING BUILDING
MAIN MENU A "BBQ FEAST" BRING A SIDE DISH and a Guest if you wish.

"UPCOMING LOCAL STAMP SHOWS"

ASDA SUMMER POSTAGE STAMP SHOW - JULY 9,10 & 11
CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL - 1177 Airport Blvd., Burlingame, CA



Elvis Presley by Marsha Brandsdorfer

Elvis Presley's personality, charm, talent, and good nature were so loved by his fans that he has been memorialized on postage stamps, souvenir sheets and special postal cancellation markings all over the world.



Elvis Aaron Presley was born on January 8, 1935 in Tulepo, Mississippi. He had an older twin brother, Jessie Garon, who was stillborn and buried without a headstone in a pauper's grave in Priceville Cemetery. His family later moved to Memphis, Tennessee when he was thirteen. Elvis loved listening to music, mostly blues and western music, and taught himself how to play the guitar. Elvis' career began when Sam Phillips saw an opportunity of bringing blues music to a wider audience. Mr. Phillips felt that the talented Elvis could help him do this, so he signed him with his company, Sun Records. Later he signed with RCA. He was one of the originators of Rock & Roll. "Heartbreak Hotel" became his original hit single in 1956.

When Elvis became a rich, famous performer, he never lost connection to his humble poor beginnings. He never felt he was better than anyone else. He enjoyed sharing his fortune and generously bought others gifts, clothes, and vehicles. However, many people took advantage of Elvis' good nature, including people who worked for him and those that he trusted.

Rarely would Elvis open up to reporters since he wanted respect for his privacy. Yet, Elvis felt trapped. He was so famous that he could not go outside without crowds of people flocking to him. He could not travel, other than on his performance tours with tight security. He could not go to a museum, a library, or a bookstore without fans storming for his attention and autograph. He did enjoy reading so he had to have others shop for him for books, as well as for food and necessities. His wife Priscilla Presley was not happy being trapped in Elvis' prison, so she divorced him on October 9, 1973. Elvis respected her wishes but was quite hurt. He adored their daughter Lisa Marie. He worried for Lisa Marie's safety and was fearful of kidnappers. He enjoyed his time spent with Lisa Marie and there was never any question that he loved her.

Elvis' health started depreciating in his later years. He gained an enormous amount of weight, which also affected his good looks, and he suffered from high blood pressure, liver damage and an enlarged colon. He was addicted to various doctor prescribed drugs which may have caused or made these conditions worse. Despite his poor



health, Elvis always looked to the future. He looked forward to latest concert and told his assistant, Billy Smith, "This is gonna be my best tour ever." But then, tragedy struck on August 16, 1977, when Elvis was found unconscious by his girlfriend Ginger Alden, on his bathroom floor. Elvis was 42 years old when he died. When he died, he was nearly broke because of his divorce, his extravagant spending and from others taking advantage of his kindness. But still he was mourned and beloved by his fans, and has sold and continues to sell to this day, millions of recordings.



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- 1947 The United States Commemorative Stamps of the 20th Cent(Vol1&2)L Brookman
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- 1973 Encyclopedia of of Canada Part II Robson Lowe
- 1977 Linn's World Stamp Almanac
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- 1992 Scott Catalogue, United States First Day Covers
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- 1999 Interim Report of the North Carolina Postal History Commision
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The Caboose

Dear PENPEX volunteers and attendees,

On Thursday, June 10, PENPEX 2010 will hold its first all committee meeting. The meeting is open to all and will start at 6:45 p.m. in the RC Community Activity Building, Room 5. Since the January PENPEX election, there have been many changes in the officers. First, with the unfortunate and unexpected passing of Ernie Lee, the position of VC became open. Secretary Jim Giacomazzi offered to take the position if a capable secretary could be found. Darlene Hickok, who had served as PENPEX secretary in 2007, was gracious enough to return. Also, Treasurer Steve Morger volunteered to step down and allow Eduardo Martino, who has more computer experience, to take the treasurer position. PENPEX is in good hands.

Many thanks go to the officers for filling their respective positions. I am fortunate to be able to work with this group, but the show could only be done without the help of the additional 15 to 20 Sequoia members who chair important position or support others. These people typically volunteer for multiple tasks before, during, and after the show.

PENPEX is looking for someone to coordinate the welcome/registration area. Please contact me to find out more about this position. 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. 4, and lastly but most importantly, tell others about the upcoming Dec. 4 & 5 show!

Lastly, new show ideas are always welcomed. Feel free to call me at 408-267-6643, email me at penpexredwoodcity@yahoo.com, or talk to me at a Sequoia meeting.

Kristin Patterson
PENPEX Chairperson



Position Leaders	Officers
Chair	Kristin Patterson
Vice Chair	Jim Giacomazzi
Secretary	Darlene Hickok
Treasurer	Eduardo Martino
Sequoia President	Ed Rodriguez
Dealers	Kristin Patterson
Program/Graphics	Ed Bierman
Welcome/Registration Area	open
Youth Center and 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/Cancels	Miriam Thurston
Photographs	Hank Washauer
Snack Bar	Leroy Bertsch and John Dusel
Seminars	Ed Rodriguez
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