

# Stamp Chatter



SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB

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## CONGRATULATIONS KRISTIN

Special congratulations to **Kristin Patterson**, past Sequoia Stamp Club president and current PENPEX Chair, for her recent election as a 2011-2013 **APS Director at Large**. As one of four elected Directors at Large, Kristin received the top number of votes with a total of 2,888. A total of 4,488 ballots were cast.

As the only West coast candidate and one of the youngest, Kristin hopes to bring new ideas to the APS to make the organization vital for generations to come. She thanks everyone for their support and looks forward to serving on the APS board. She will keep everyone posted in future Chatter newsletters.

Director-at-Large			
Elected			
2888	Kristin Patterson	2252	Yamil H. Kouri
2691	Steve Zwillinger	2103	Dwayne Littauer
2661	Edgar J. Hicks	1544	Don David Price
2360	W. Danforth Walker	27	Others

“With nearly 35,000+ members in more than 110 countries, the APS is the largest, nonprofit society in the world for stamp collectors.

Whether you are a beginning collector or have years of philatelic experience, the American Philatelic Society offers you a number of services and educational opportunities to broaden your personal collection and enhance your special collecting interest?”

Kristin Patterson started collecting for the last ten years from old playing cards and developed an award winning stamp collection. She moved to the Bay Area and joined Sequoia Stamp Club, and has served as president.



## CHATTER NEWSLETTER

Other Feature Articles are: **President's Notes - The General Who Became President** and Introducing **'Phil A Telick'**  
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 From the Editor of the Chatter News

If anyone would like to write an article for this newsletter or submit or give ideas, please contact  
 Hank Washauer (Editor)



**UPCOMING SCHEDULE EVENTS DATES AT SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB MEETINGS**

On every Second & Fourth Tuesdays of each month meetings are held at Sequoia Stamp Club at the Community Activities Building, 1401 Roosevelt St. Redwood City, CA - Starts at 7:15 pm

July 12 - The Palestinian and Israel Conflict - Fritz Gelb

July 19 - Trends in Stamp Shows - Gil Goodrich

August 9 - Live Auction, Members Only

**August 16 - Our Annual Picnic (In back of Meeting Place) 5 to 8 PM**

August 23 - Swiss for Youth - Leroy Bertsch / Executive Board Meeting

September 13 - Swap Meet - Gil Goodrich

September 27 - PENPEX 1983 Before and Beyond - Hank Washauer



**SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB OFFICERS - 2011**

PRESIDENT - Jim Giacomazzi, VICE PRESIDENT - Hank Shoolman

SECRETARY - Tanja Ahrens, TREASURER - Richard Griffone

Appointed Officers and Standing Committee Chairmen

Director at Large: Ed Rodriguez and Hank Washauer

Librarian: LeRoy Harbaugh, Jr. - Sales Manager: Jim Mosso

Membership Chair : Hank Washauer - Program Chair: Ed Rodriguez

Auditor: Fritz Gelb - Youth/Beginners: Rich Coleman, Darlene Hickock

Live Auction: Steve Morger, Eduardo Martino, Jim Giacomazzi, Hank Shoolman, Wally Jolliff

Silent Auction: Richard Griffone, Steve Morger - Coffee Refreshments: Chris Thompson

Web master: Ed Bierman - Newsletter: Hank Washauer, Miriam Thurston, Jim Giacomazzi

Historian/Archives: Paul Swierstra - Public Relations: Jim Giacomazzi

Yearbook/Roster/Database: Hank Washauer - Nominating Committee: Hank Washauer

NorCal Council Rep: Hank Washauer - APS Representative: Jim Giacomazzi

PENPEX Coordination: Kristin Patterson - Sunshine: Joan Doherty, Darlene Hickock



Sequoia Stamp Club Executive Board Meetings will be held on the second meeting of the second month of the quarter at 6 pm, at the Community Activity Center, just prior to the regular meeting of that evening. These meetings are to be attended by all Officers and Board Members.

The meeting dates for 2011 are: Feb. 22, May 24, **Aug. 23**, and Nov. 22

**CONDENSED MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS** April, May, June 2011 Attendance is 45 more or less.

APR 12: Introduced the newly elective club officers. Jim Giacomazzi read from Linn's newsletter and gave a comparison to a Canadian Stamp Club with our Sequoia Stamp Club.

APR 26 :A great presentation by Hank Shoolman on the Pitcairn Island.

MAY 10: David Abrahams of Livermore presented a program on Great Britain's Penny Blacks

MAY 24: Member profile last names L to Z was given. Interesting summaries what members collect and how they got started. Ron Biell of San Jose gave a program on Imperial Stamps of China.

JUN 14: There was a live auction featuring the late Don Freeman's collection.

JUN 28: Jim Giacomazzi developed a philatelic quiz for the members.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Jim Giacomazzi - July 12, 2011

In March, my wife Cathy and I had the pleasure of accompanying a local choir and orchestra group, Viva la Musica, on their trip to perform Mozart's Requiem in Prague and Dresden. It was a wonderful excursion, especially in Prague where we had the opportunity to visit sites such as the Prague Castle, Charles Bridge, the Old-New Synagogue, Wenceslas Square, the National Museum, and a sobering visit to the Terezin Memorial. However, as I try to do on most vacations, I managed to fit in some philatelic activities as well by visiting the main post office, a stamp dealer, and the postal museum.



On Saturday morning we visited the main post office, which was located just off Wenceslas Square. Upon entering you take a ticket, and wait for your number to be called. It was all business, and since the clerk spoke no English it was impossible to do more than purchase some stamps for the post cards that we wanted to send to friends back home. I am sure that during the week, service would be much better as a philatelic window would be available.

After lunch we visited the postal museum. The postal museum was founded in 1918 as the first museum established in the newly independent Czechoslovakia. Since 1988 it has been located in Vavra House, a former home of the Prague millers. As we were the only visitors to the museum at the time, we were given a very personalized tour of the building by the friendly staff, which we greatly enjoyed in spite of the language barrier. A visit to the museum is much enhanced by the beautiful murals from the year 1847 by the famous Czech painter Josef Navratil. On the first floor is a vast international collection of stamps arranged in vertical pullout drawers. The museum also features temporary exhibits about the history of the Czech postal service and stamp design. Visitors have at their disposal a library and reading room with literature from the field of postal history and philately. At the gift shop we were able to purchase postal items and souvenirs.



Walking back to our hotel from the museum, we spotted a sign that read "Filatelie Penkava", which turned out to be a pleasant little stamp shop with a friendly owner. After perusing his display case, I found an interesting item that I purchased as a souvenir of our philatelic adventure. It is a cover with a Brno postmark from May 8, 1966, and a marking that reads "PIGEONGRAM". The shop owner told us that it was created by the "Klub Filatelistu" of Brno and traveled by carrier pigeon. I will have to do some diligent research to see if his story holds up. I am hoping that along with my wonderful memories and photos of our trip to Prague, I also now have a new item for my exhibit on unique ways of transporting the mail.

# The General Who Became President

By Marsha Brandsdorfer

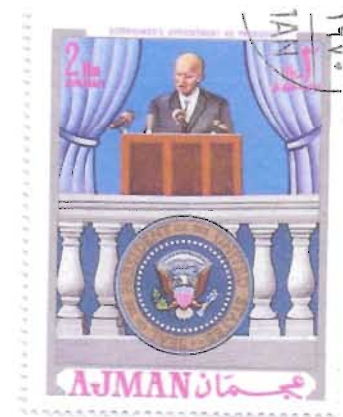
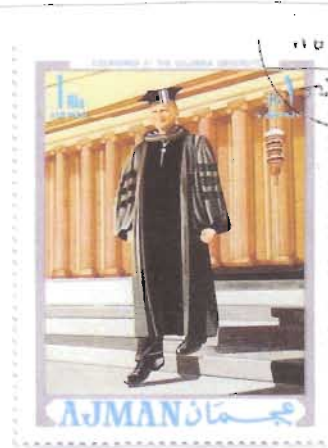
As a young boy growing up in Abilene, Kansas, Dwight Eisenhower ("Ike") played football and baseball and it was in playing these sports that he learned about leadership. He went to West Point where he played sports until he badly damaged his knee. He met "Maime" at his first assignment at Fort Sam Houston in Texas and they married in 1916. They lost their first son Icky to Scarlet Fever when he was just three years old. Their second son John was born on August 3, 1922.

He continued his military career and became quite popular during WWII for his leadership and good decision-making. When the war was over, Eisenhower was urged by his friends to run for the Presidency. He was reluctant to do so, and took a job as President of Columbia University.

Then on June 25, 1950, the North Koreans invaded South Korea and President Truman sent in the military to help defend South Korea. Truman offered Eisenhower the position to command the NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization)'s military operations, and live and work at NATO's headquarters in Paris. Eisenhower took the job. However, still friends and politicians continued to urge him to run for President. They said that Americans needed his strong leadership. Finally he agreed that he would run and chose Richard Nixon as his running mate. Dwight Eisenhower became the 34<sup>th</sup> President of the United States.

Six months later, Eisenhower pulled American US troopers out of Korea. In the 1950s, tensions were high regarding nuclear war. Eisenhower flew to Geneva to discuss an open air policy with Russian leaders to make it impossible for either party to proceed with an undetected nuclear attack. The Russians were not agreeable. However, a new respect was obtained at the Geneva Summit and it was a strong achievement for the Cold War between the two countries.

During his second term in office, Eisenhower continued to concentrate on keeping peaceful relations with all countries, including all of Europe. John F. Kennedy followed Eisenhower and became the next President of the United States in January 1961. After the Presidency, Eisenhower wrote his memoirs. Eisenhower died on March 28, 1969. Eisenhower would go home again, to be buried in Abilene, Kansas.





# THE *Caboose*



PENPEX is on its way - 6 months and counting. Letters have gone out to our dealers and the banquet is set for Harry's Hofbrau. We also have the exhibit entry form on the website, [www.penpex.org](http://www.penpex.org). A new category that consist of 1 page has been created that is open only to Sequoia Stamp Club members. Each member can enter up to 4 individual entries. Get started now on your 1-page exhibits.

Also Sequoia members can sell their philatelic material at PENPEX's silent auction. Jim Mosso is now accepting material and has entry forms. Talk to him at a Sequoia Stamp Club meeting.

PENPEX is looking for someone to manage the snack bar. It will come stocked with food; we just need someone to run it for 5 hours on Saturday and/or 4 hours on Sunday. We all know that the way to a philatelist's heart is through their stomach. So if you like making people happy, this post is for you.

If you have any questions or suggestions, contact PENPEX chairperson Kristin Patterson at 408-267-6643 or [penpexredwoodcity@yahoo.com](mailto:penpexredwoodcity@yahoo.com).

## STAMPS R US NEWS

Richard Coleman, Acting Youth Chairman,

Darlene Hickok, Youth Chairperson

Committee Members: Hank Shoolman, Gil Goodrich, LeRoy Bertisch, Richard Coleman & Darlene Hickok.



## SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB YOUTH GROUP

Hi Kids, it's SUMMER !

A time to have fun collecting stamps looking for your favorite subjects on stamps from all over the world.

Here are some samples...




HAVE FUN SPENDING TIME at the LIBRARY LOOKING THROUGH the SCOTT'S STAMP CATALOGS FROM A to Z WORLD WIDE, LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL STAMP and WRITE DOWN the SCOTT NUMBERS and FIND THAT STAMP at UPCOMING STAMP SHOWS in the BAY AREA.

YOU CAN ENTER YOUR EDUCATIONAL STAMP INTEREST COLLECTION TO EXHIBIT ON SINGLE PAGE AT THE

PENPEX SHOW on DEC 3 & 4 2011  
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES BUILDING  
ROOSEVELT ST , REDWOOD CITY





Philatelic Resources	Rev. 4-02-2011; doc 595					
Western Philatelic Library	1500 Partridge Ave., Bldg 6, Ste 6, Sunnyvale, CA 94087	408-733-0336				w.fwpl.org
APS Estate Advisory Service	100 Match Factory Pl., Bellefonte, PA 16823	814-933-3800				w.stamps.org
Linn's Stamp News	PO Box 29, Sidney, OH 45365	937-498-0801				w.linns.com
Amos Advantage (Scott Pub)	PO Box 828, Sidney, OH 45365	1-800-572-6885				w.amosadvantage.com
Belmont Stamp Club	meets 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon, 10:00am, Sr Ctr, 20 Twin Pines Lane, Belmont, CA	Rich Coleman, 650-341-7978				no website
East Bay Collectors Club	1375 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek, CA	Randy Tuuri, 510-653-3471				no website
Foster City Traders	meets 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat, 1:00pm, FC Rec Dept, 2 <sup>nd</sup> flr Library Bldg, Foster City, CA	Gil Goodrich, 650-941-4616				no website
Fremont Stamp Club	meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 7:00pm, 3375 Country Club Dr., Fremont, CA	Jim Sauer, 408-445-2694				w.fremontstampclub.com
Menlo Park Stamps Club	meets 1 <sup>st</sup> Wed, 9:15am, Little House, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park, CA	Val Martinovich, 650-329-8068				no website
Sacramento Philatelic Soc.	meets Wed, 7:00pm,	Bill Oliver, 916-371-6136				w.sacramentophilatelicsociety.org
Sunnyvale Stamp Club	meets 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues, 6:45pm at Western Philatelic Library	Lois B., 408-739-5958				w.fwpl.org/sss
San Jose Stamp Club	meets 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed, 7:00pm, 790 Ironwood, San Jose, CA	Jim Sauer, 408-445-2694				w.filatelificiesta.org
Sequoia Stamp Club	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues, 7pm, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA	Jim G., 650-365-2956				w.penpex.org
Jan, 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend	Sacramento Stamp Faire, Knights/Col Hall, 5961 Newman Ct., Sact, CA	Chris Clemens, 707-322-8483				stampshows@hotmail.com
Jan, 2 <sup>nd</sup> weekend	San Jose Stamp Faire, Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expwy, San Jose, CA	Chris Clemens, 707-322-8483				stampshows@hotmail.com
Mar, 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend	NovaPex, Redding, CA	Kurt Schau, 707-778-6454				w.harmerschau.com
Apr, 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend	Easter Seal Soc, 3205 Hurley Way, Sacramento, CA	Katie P., 916-359-3720				no website
Apr, last weekend	WestPex, SFO Marriott, 1800 Old Bayshore Hwy, Burlingame, CA	Chris Clemens, 707-322-8483				w.westpex.org
Jun, 2 <sup>nd</sup> weekend	Sacramento Stamp Faire, Knights/Col Hall, 5961 Newman Ct., Sact, CA	Chris Clemens, 707-322-8483				stampshows@hotmail.com
Jul, 2 <sup>nd</sup> weekend	ASDA show, SFO Crowne Plaza, 1177 Airport Blvd., Burlingame, CA	Jim Savarese, 718-224-2500				w.asda.org
Sep, 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend	Great America Stamp, Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expwy, San Jose, CA	Chris Clemens, 707-322-8483				stampshows@hotmail.com
Oct, 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend	WinePex, Marin Ctr, 10 Avenue of Flags, San Rafael, CA	Kurt Schau, 707-778-6454				w.harmerschau.com
Oct, 3 <sup>rd</sup> weekend	East Bay Collectors Club, 1375 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek, CA	Randy Tuuri, 510-653-3471				no website
Nov, 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend	SacaPex, Scottish Rite Temple, 6151 'H' St., Sacramento, CA	Jim Stewart, 916-686-3246				w.sacramentophilatelicsociety.org
Nov, 2 <sup>nd</sup> weekend	Filatelic Fiesta, Sta Clara County Fairgrounds, Tully Rd., San Jose, CA	Steve Schuman, 510-785-4794				w.filatelificiesta.org
Nov, 3 <sup>rd</sup> weekend	Collectibles Expo, Santa Clara Conv Ctr, 5001 Gr Amer Pkwy, Sta Clara	805-962-9939				w.wexposunlimited.com
Dec, 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend	 PENPEX Comm Ctr, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA	Kristin Patterson, 408-267-6643				w.penpex.org
A&D Stamps	2541 Venado Camino, Walnut Creek, CA 94958	Jim Dempsey, 925-935-8212				no website
Asia Philatelics	PO Box 730993, San Jose, CA 95173	Richard Clever, 408-238-0893				w.asiaphilatelics.com
Camino/Mr. Z's Stamps-Coins	1301 Broadway, Burlingame, CA 94010	Pam Vogt, 650-344-3401				no website
Ed Dimmick Stamps	785/E2 Oak Grove Rd., #110, Concord, CA 94518	Ed Dimmick, 925-938-4116				no website
Fireside Stamps	454 El Camino, Sunnyvale, CA 94087	Mike Campbell, 408-720-9779				no website
Harmer Schau Auctions	1333 No. McDowell Rd., Ste B, Petaluma, CA 94954	Kurt Schau, 707-778-6454				w.harmerschau.com
JHM Stamps	1330--2 <sup>nd</sup> St., Napa, CA 94559	Jean Meehan, 707-226-7511				no website
Jim Taaf Stamps	PO Box 19549, Sacramento, CA 95819	Jim Taaf, 916-454-9007				no website
Liberty Stamps	6541 Crystal Blvd., El Dorado, CA 95623	Paul Kodelja, 530-626-3564				no website
Pacific Stamps	966 Grant Ave., Ste 3, Novato, CA 94945	Bob Caughie, 415-898-2585				no website
Stamp Man	5130 Madison Ave., at Auburn, Antique Mall, Sacramento, CA	Vince Izdepski, 916-779-6252				no web; cell: 916-204-3211
Treasure Island Stamps/Coins	3703 El Camino, Palo Alto, CA 94306	Rudy Schroeter, 650-855-9905				w.ticoins.com
Wulff's Stamps	2222 Watt Av., Ste D-8, Sacramento, CA 95866	John Wulff, 916-489-0656				w.wulffstamps.com

INTRODUCING A CARTOON CHARACTER

**'Phil A. Telick'**

Created by Artist, **MIRIAM S. THURSTON** (C) 2011

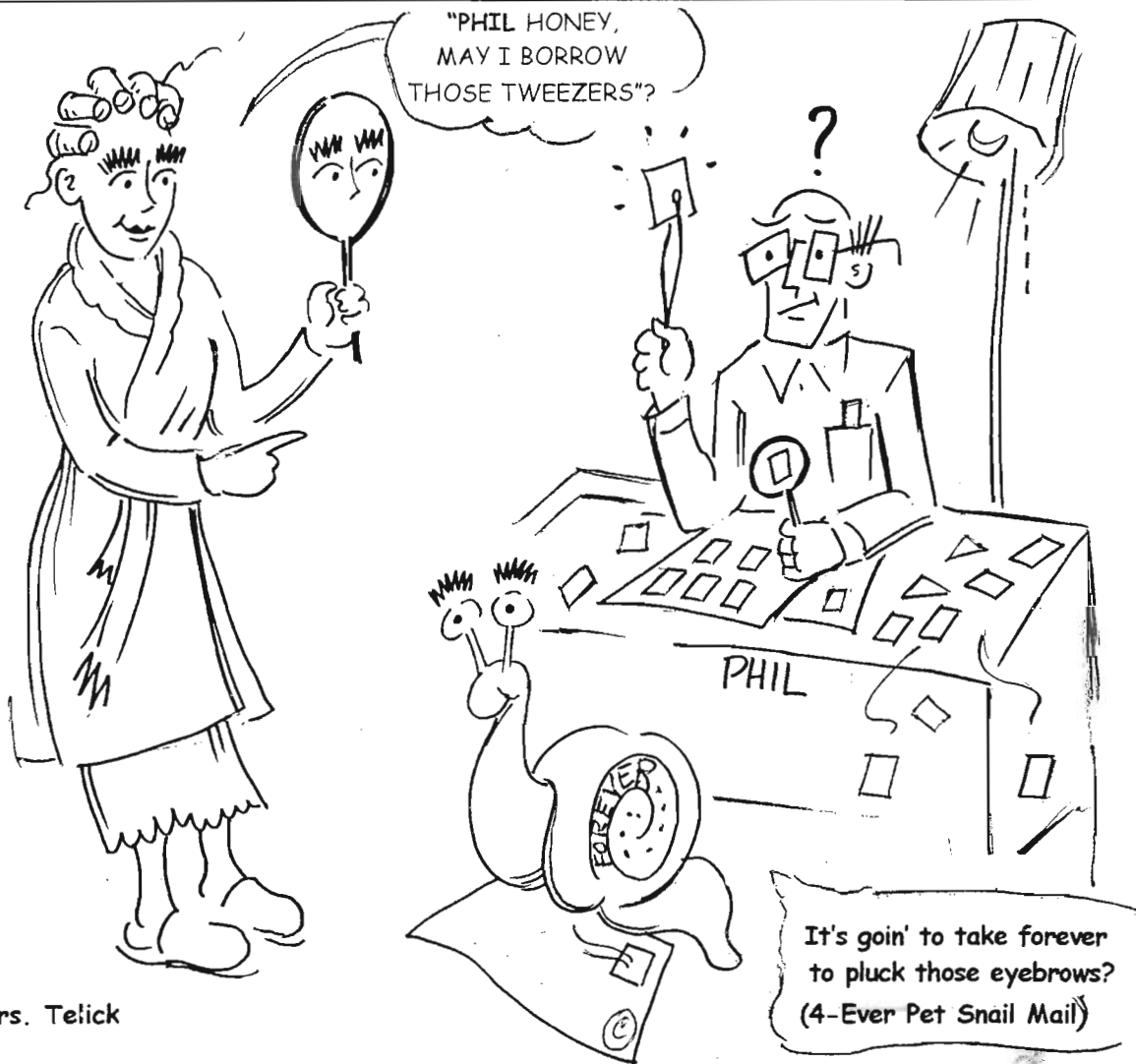
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To be featured in the **CHATTER Newsletter**

**Phil** IS OUR NEW STAMP CLUB MEMBER

THIS CHARACTER **Phil** CAN PLAY DIFFERENT ROLES AS THE STAMP CLUB PRESIDENT, STAMP COLLECTOR, CLUB MEMBER, POST MASTER, MAILMAN, EXHIBITOR, JUDGE OR A STAMP DEALER.

**'Mr. Telick** LOVES **Philately**' AND HIS PET SNAIL **4- EVER**



Mrs. Telick

**F Y I:** TWEEZERS HAVE A SHARP EDGE FOR USE IN PLUCKING EYEBROWS OR TO REMOVE SPLINTERS AND THEY COULD BE HAZARDOUS TO THE RARE DELICATE STAMP WHEN USED, A STAMP COLLECTOR DO NOT USE TWEEZERS, THEY USE 'TONGS' THE REASON IS THAT TONGS HAVE A ROUNDED SHAPE EDGE PURPOSE FOR HOLDING STAMPS AND AS NOT TO CREASE OR TOUCH THE RARE PRECIOUS STAMPS WITH FINGERS !





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