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## The BOEING Company - More than Airplanes

-- by Carol j. Edholm, Sno-King Stamp Club

William Edward Boeing (October 1, 1881-September 28, 1956) grew up in Detroit, Michigan and later attended Yale's Scientific School. After graduating in 1904, he entered the lumber business and spent five years learning the logging industry in Grays Harbor, Washington. He arrived in Seattle in 1908 where he continued to manage his timber lands, establishing the Greenwood Timber Company. He became interested in the fledgling aviation industry as a hobby, took flying lessons under the tutelage of Glenn Martin in 1911, and purchased a Martin hydroplane. Boeing became convinced of the airplane's future as a means of transportation and became a pioneer in the design and manufacture of airplanes just before America's entry into World War I.

The pre-cursor to The Boeing Company started by Boeing was Heath's Shipyard in Seattle, Washington, which he bought March 10, 1910. This location became his first airplane factory with a first flight over Seattle. He built the Hanger in the Lake Union area in December 1915. Boeing began assembly of the first B&W Seaplane in the Lake Union boathouse in January 1916. On June 15, Bluebill B&W took its maiden flight; it was sold with another B&W to New Zealand in 1918. On July 15, Boeing incorporated Pacific Aero Products Company. He bought 998 of the 1,000 stocks issued and moved the operation to the shipyard that he bought in 1910. Many years later, this **Red Barn** building moved to Seattle's Museum of Flight. On May 9, 1917, Boeing changed the name of Pacific Aero Products to the Boeing Airplane Company. On July 17, 1917, the company's first two of the 50 Model C's flew to Florida for the Navy. This war contract with the U.S. Navy for 50 trainer airplanes, and a postwar order from the Army Air Services for 200 pursuit plans assured the future of his company.

The Boeing Airplane Company is the largest and most successful commercial aircraft manufacturer in the world. Expanding first into the production of military aircraft during WWI (1914-1918) and then into contracts for scheduled mail delivery and regular commercial passenger service, the Boeing empire eventually included all aspects of aviation, from technological development and aircraft production to international airline transportation systems.

In 1919, with Boeing at the controls\*\*, the first air mail between Vancouver BC and Seattle was flown—an event which led to the company becoming involved with the U.S. airmail contracts in later years.

**\*\*Historical note:** According to the Seattle newspapers of that day, [Eddie Hubbard](#) actually flew the first air mail route on March 3, 1919 carrying Boeing as a passenger.

By 1928, the Boeing Company had become one of the largest U.S. aircraft manufacturers, and was deeply involved with air transportation as well. The prestigious Guggenheim Medal was awarded to him in 1934 for his



**William Boeing, established and flew the first international mail route.** Photo courtesy of Aiolos Productions, Ltd

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pioneering and achievement in aircraft and air transportation. Under his direction, Boeing Air Transport became the first to fly passengers at night on regular schedules and long distances.

In 1934, forced by the Federal government to dissolve the interlocking partnerships between the manufacturing and transportation divisions, Boeing resigned from the industry he had pioneered and turned to other interests. He returned during World War II (1939-1945) to assist in fulfilling the vast military production requirements. Although he was active in the aviation scene for only 18 years, few men in history have contributed so much to a single industry.

After expanding to Kansas, Louisiana and 6 other US states, The Boeing Company eventually built the world's largest factory in Everett, Washington in 1966 to begin construction on the 747. Boeing started design and construction of water crafts in 1960's, starting with Hydrofoils.

At the same time Boeing was building up his airplane manufacturing company, he was also having a home built for him in The Highlands, a newly established exclusive gated residential community located on a wooded bluff overlooking Puget Sound immediately north of Seattle.

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## From the Editor's Desk...

It has been a busy few weeks with the local Evergreen Stamp Show on April 20 – 21, then flew to WESTPEX on April 25 – 28, and finally drove down to PIPEX for the May 3 - 5 event. We also met up with friends from Belgium in Clackamas and spent a couple of dinners together. Too short a visit this year.

This June issue encompasses many things that have happened the past couple of months, including, sadly, the loss of some of our region's top philatelists. There are photos from PIPEX 2024, the Federation General Meeting and Board Meeting, SOPEX post-show report, happenings with some of our Canadian clubs and other goodies. We are also trying to catch up on news from last year, such as Strait Stamp Society celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Read carefully or you may miss something!

Welcome new Canadian Board Member, Michael P. Anderson of Langley, BC. He is a member of FVPC and Peace Arch Stamp Club, collecting Kingdom period of Hawaii. We appreciate your willingness to serve the Federation for a one-year term. Welcome J Palmer of Spokane, WA, US Director; thank you for serving in a two-year capacity.

The *Federated Philatelist* is a forum for member clubs to keep each other informed of happenings – meetings, shows and special events with fantastic articles related to the Pacific Northwest and Western Canada. Each issue is emailed to all the club contacts and various individuals. If you have members who do not have email and wish to have their own copy, feel free to print a copy for them; you may also forward on to members or individuals who use email.

There's been a request to include the **Federation Member Club Service Awards** list, just like the other Federation awards. You will find it on Page 21.

Check out the **Club Activities** pages; some listings have been updated since the last issue. Be sure to send me your updated information as changes happen. In addition, add my email to your newsletter list, and I'll automatically have your updated club information and regular/show activities.

Reminder – I still need articles for the September and December issues as well as articles for next year's four issues. Since the Space Needle and I are both turning 62 this year, I'd like to see a Space Needle story in the September issue. Can anyone tackle this and send it my way? Otherwise, you will see articles on Peafowl, Siamese, Lippizans, Chocolate, Bhutan and India – my specialties.

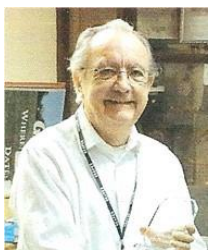
Do read the Federation Meeting Minutes. There is discussion on creating a speakers list for clubs to invite to their meetings (if they live close by) or to hear their presentations via Zoom. Such a speakers list is long overdue. Another service provided by your Federation!

Happy Stampin' and enjoy your summer!

--- Carol j. Edholm



## Executive Secretary's Notes



Let me put out the call: **Please, clubs or individual members, give us feedback.**

Every now and then someone asks why their club should pay dues to the Federation? What does the Federation do for them? In return I ask what do the clubs want the Federation to do for them?

When I respond to those who ask what the Federation does for them, I first use as an example, the *Federated Philatelist*, our journal of news and articles. The journal is emailed to individuals in all clubs and the expectation is that someone in each local club will forward it to the rest of their membership.

In addition to our journal, the Federation encourages and supports the John Arn Symposium each spring in Moses Lake, Washington. There are speakers, two auctions and food. A fun time for all!

The Federation encourages and supports PIPEX, the -now only- WSP show in the Northwest, but most club members don't attend PIPEX because, I suspect, of the huge distance involved to get there. Seven 2023 member clubs are over 500 miles from Portland, OR, the site of PIPEX. Most are over 150, enough to make a round trip more than a day's effort.

The Federation holds a materials archive of club memorabilia in Spokane, WA. See Bill Ailes' report elsewhere in this issue about items recently received. Other clubs are encouraged to offer materials.

The Federation honors and respects collectors by publishing show palmares, by offering three awards for Northwest collectors and by listing closed albums of individual collectors.

The Federation has in its By-laws committees for Judging, Youth and Education. In the past these have been active in finding judges for local shows, in encouraging youth and new collectors, and in presenting programs on what philately is or on how to exhibit. These committees are inactive now not because we lack people with the expertise to do them but because the services have not been requested in over a decade.

In a new push of services, the Federation is offering to help communication among clubs. Now we want to facilitate contacts that will lead to speakers from one club

presenting at another via Zoom. The first of these Zoom programs hasn't happened yet; we wait for requests.

I do believe there are good reasons for the Federation to exist, but clubs cannot be just passive receivers of the journal. Besides the *Federated Philatelist*, which can be supported with news, articles and letters, all of the reasons to have the Federation are that it gives indirect help to the clubs and their members. These reasons require action from the local clubs to happen.

Philately has changed, and I believe the Federation can change as our member clubs direct us. I issue this call: **We accomplish more together. Help us to decide what. Roll up your sleeves with us.**

P.S. Membership in the Federation is cheap, somewhere between 50¢ and \$1 for each individual club member per year. Please get your dues in because we need to know your club exists.

Larry Crain, Executive Secretary; [larry.crain@gmail.com](mailto:larry.crain@gmail.com)

## Thunderbird Award

The Northwest Federation provides a ribbon to be awarded to a worthy exhibit at all shows held within the geographic area of the Federation. The purpose of this award is to encourage exhibiting, whether or not the exhibitor is a member of a Federation organization.

Exhibits that receive a Vermeil or higher award are not eligible, and the judges of the show have sole authority to award or not award the ribbon.

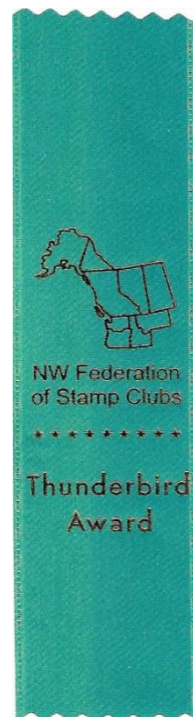
**Member clubs that hold shows with competitive exhibits can request the Thunderbird ribbon from the Executive Secretary.** Local and regional shows are authorized to present a single award and national shows may present two awards.

### Recent winners include:

**PIPEX 2024** – Donald Blais for *The Evolution of Bridges*

**SEAPEX 2021** -- Keith Edholm for *Camelidae: Past, Present and Future*

**2020** Jared Gazin, Portland  
Tim Bergquist, Salem, OR



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## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs  
PIPEX, Clackamas Room May 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eric Knapp.

Those attending: Board Members – Chair Eric Knapp, Executive Secretary Larry Crain, Treasurer Lisa Janz, Canada Director Michael Anderson, US Director Jim Hirstein. Also Webmaster George Struble.

Janz-Hirstein moved to approve the minutes at PIPEX 2023. Carried unopposed.

After discussion Janz-Anderson moved to buy a Zoom license to facilitate Zoom presentations among clubs and for the Board. Estimated cost is \$160. Carried unopposed. The Board agreed to hold a Zoom meeting on the first Tuesday of every even month, beginning in August.

Dues: The address to mail in dues will be put on the website. It was discussed setting up dues for a two-year basis but it was agreed to keep a one-year basis. Lisa will mail out all dues notices in the future. The dues notices will include the annual report form. Crain-Anderson moved to allow the Canadian dues to vary, but to be set by the exchange rate on November 1.

Anderson-Crain moved to authorize Lisa to explore banking online and consolidate the US and Canada accounts, and to check if signatories must be names or can they be positions on the Board.

Jim Hirstein reported on the John Arn Symposium. He said that in spite of raising fees, income was just about \$700 short of covering expenses because of the higher facility cost and lack of increased attendance. He will check into a different Saturday for the Symposium. Crain-Anderson moved to reimburse \$700. Carried 4-0, Hirstein abstained.

Without further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully  
submitted,

Larry Crain,  
Executive  
Secretary

Larry Crain  
Eric Knapp



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## Annual General Meeting Minutes

Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs  
PIPEX, Clackamas Room May 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairman of the Board of Directors, Eric Knapp.

Those attending: Michael Anderson - FVPC; Steve Brandt - OSS, PIPEX; Lawrence Clay - TCSC; Bud Conklin - Olympia; Larry Crain - SOPS, NWFSC; David Dobkin - COSC; Carol Edholm – SKSC, ESC; Roger Heath - StSS; Jim Hirstein - GCSC, NWFSC; Lisa Janz - SaSS, NWFSC; Lucien Klein - SaSS; Eric Knapp - APS, ACC, NWFSC; Mark Loomis - PIPEX; Larry Maddux - PNWPH; Cathie Osborne - StSS; Gerry Smith - OPS; George Struble - SaSS, NWFSC.

A moment of remembrance and silence for those lost: John Buckles – Olympia; Lyman Caswell – Puget Sound and Evergreen; Ruth Caswell – Puget Sound, Evergreen and SEAPEX; Michael Dixon – Oregon Stamp Society; Howard Ness – Inland Empire; Dickson Preston – Evergreen and SEAPEX; Mary Pyle – Eagle (ID) Stamp and Postcard Club; Glenn Thiesfield – dealer in Yakima; Valerie Thiesfield – Yakima; Tony Wawrukiewicz – Oregon Stamp Society and PIPEX; Ray White – Tri-Cities; Keith Yale – Garden City.

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting at PIPEX 2023 were read. Maddux-Smith moved to approve them as read. Carried.

Eric Knapp said the Federation survived the Covid pandemic, but to go forward it needs to increase collaboration among the areas and the clubs in the Federation.

Executive Secretary Larry Crain listed the accomplishments of the past year: The opening of the bank account in US as directed by the Board of Directors last year, the re-application and receiving of non-profit status for the Federation and the naming of a new editor for *The Federated Philatelist*.

Lawrence Clay reviewed the history of the Federation, including formation by Washington clubs and major events which included: 1) PIPEX shows which moved from city to city for many years, but was stopped with the creation of the exhibit Champion of Champions which required larger venues to meet WSP frame minimums and more dealers to meet the costs; 2) problems with border crossings for dealers which stopped Canadian shows and this resulted in settling in Portland; 3) agreement of a separate group (Portland Philatelic Exhibitors) to lease

the name PIPEX to maintain uninterrupted WSP status for the show; 4) holding 30 years ago a Moses Lake Philatelic Day which became the John Arn Symposium; and 5) re-occurring problems finding an editor for *The Federated Philatelist*.

Membership of the Federation: Anchorage PS – AK, Alaska CC – AK, Collectors Club of Seattle – WA, Eagle Stamp & Postcard Club – ID, Edmonton SC – AL, Evergreen SC – WA, Gastineau PS – AK, Greater Eugene SS – OR, Inland Empire PS – WA, Lynn Valley SC – BC, Northwest Philatelic Library – OR, Pacific Northwest Postal History – OR, Olympia PS – WA, Oregon SS – OR, Peace Arch SC – BC, Portland Philatelic Exhibitions – OR, Salem SS – OR, Snohomish/Greater Eastside SC – WA, Southern Oregon PS – OR, Strait Stamp Society – WA, Tri-Cities SC – WA, Umpqua Valley SC – OR, USS Puget Sound Ch #74 – WA.

#### Reports:

**Website.** New Webmaster George Struble reported that to get the site up he had to learn a different organization, that of files rather than templates which was used before.

**Historian:** Bill Ailes' report was not available at the meeting but is attached at the end.

**John Arn Symposium.** Jim Hirstein reported that the 32<sup>nd</sup> John Arn Symposium had 23 attendees, four main presentations, two short ones, two auctions and good times.

**Nominations:** There are two: J Palmer of the Inland Empire PS for US Director and Eric Knapp of the Anchorage PS and Alaska Collectors' Club for Chair of Board of Directors.

**Judging, Youth and Education** committees are currently vacant.

**Publications.** *The Federated Philatelist* Editor Carol Edholm said the journal is now up and running. She asked for article submissions, especially about the Northwest as that is not her collecting expertise.

Financial Statement for the prior Fiscal Year: Lisa Janz presented a Treasurer's report – also included at the end. She explained visiting or calling frequently the Oregon Department of Justice and the IRS to get the Federation a 501(c)3 non-profit status. First the Federation needed to be listed as a charitable organization by the state before the IRS would act. Currently, she has a letter saying the paperwork has been approved and the official letter will follow. A month later, it has still not been received. This hassle followed several meetings with the Oregon Department of Justice and Chase Bank to list the Federation with the state before the bank account could be transferred from Canada. Klein-Brandt moved to

approve the Treasurer's report. Carried without opposition. Lisa received a round of applause for her persistence and diligence.

Old Business: Larry Crain explained the four Federation Awards: Thunderbird ribbon, Federation Meritorious Achievement Award, Northwest Distinguished Philatelist Award and Member Service Award. He pointed out that few have been awarded recently. He referred to a list in the PIPEX program and to the April 2024 issue, #241, of *The Federated Philatelist* for the criteria. He hopes clubs will nominate one member for the Member Service Award every few years.

Budget: The By-Laws call for an agenda item to be presented of the Board of Directors' approved budget for the following fiscal year. Since the Board of Directors meets following this meeting, there is no budget yet approved. It was pointed out that income and expenses have remained steady and a budget would reflect the current Treasurer's report.

Referrals from Executive Secretary for advice: a. By-Law revisions to clean up items such as the budget from above or specific dates which are now unreasonable because of internet communication. These have been lived with but not strictly followed in the past. No action was taken. b. Formation of a Zoom Speakers Bureau to coordinate speakers from one club to present at another club. Examples of such presentations are two to be presented Sunday in the Clackamas meeting room. No volunteer was received to pursue. c. Is there a need for a regular Federation Forum publication monthly or so to email a list of shows and bourses? No decision made.

New Business: None.

Elections: With two open Canadian Board positions, Michael Anderson was nominated for the one-year term. No other nominations were received for any position. The candidates to be voted on are Eric Knapp for Chair of Board of Directors (3-year term), J Palmer for US Director (2-year term) and Michael Anderson for Canada Director (1-year term). Brandt-Hirstein moved to have the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for the three nominees. Carried, unopposed.

Without further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Crain, Executive Secretary



## Historian Report

In the last year, we received two donations to the history archives:

Lawrence Clay from the Tri-Cities Stamp Club donated archives from the Yakima Stamp Club. The items included club newsletters, menus and programs from the club's Christmas parties, and covers designed by Dorothy Henderson that were designed for the Yakima County Fair.

Mark Metkin of Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, donated archives from both the Boise, ID, and Palouse (Pullman/Moscow) Stamp Clubs. The Boise archives were from 1975 – 1979 and included promotional material and programs from the BOIDA PEX stamp show, an exhibit award and club newsletters. These archives are very special to me; I was a member of the Boise Stamp Club during this time. It was when I was a beginning stamp collector and brought back some good memories. The Palouse archives were from 1979-1982 and contained club newsletters.

If anyone or any club has anything they would like to donate to the archives, please contact me at [billbiles1@comcast.net](mailto:billbiles1@comcast.net).

The Facebook page is doing well. We have had some members share posts about upcoming stamp shows and news from stamp collecting. I would like to encourage any one of our clubs to post information about upcoming club events or shows. If you do post anything to the page, I will receive an email to review the information prior to it being posted to our Facebook page. We had some problems with some spammers posting ads for discount postage in the last year. Since I'm now able to review posts, we have not had this problem. I look forward to your posts. Please contact me if I can provide any information.

Thanks, have a great show.

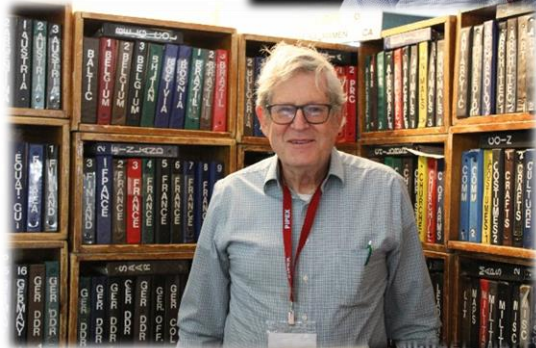
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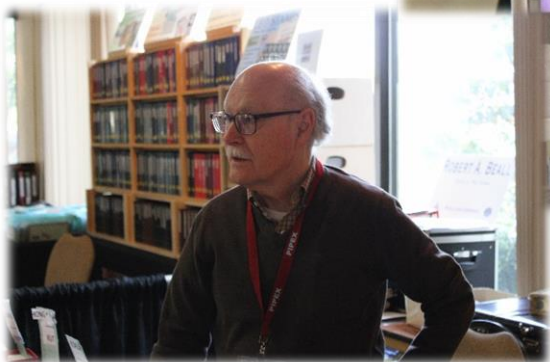
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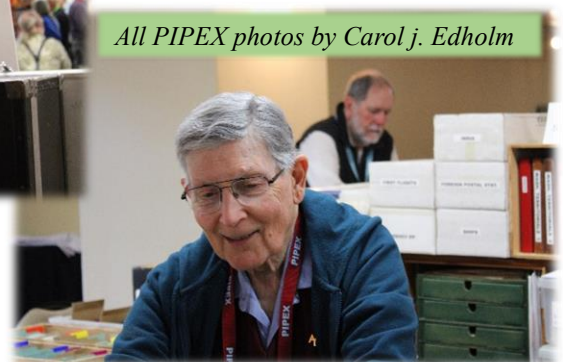
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*All PIPEX photos by Carol j. Edholm*



<b>Income</b>	US	Canada	
2024 Dues	\$390.25	\$94.50	
Interest Inc	0.48	0.12	
PIPEX Licence Fee	\$1,250.00		
Gifts	0		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,640.73</b>	<b>\$94.62</b>	<b>Total in US \$ with exchange rate</b>
			<b>\$1,709.84</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Business Services	\$14.70		
Fees and Charges	\$43.08	\$27.00	
Moses Lake	\$700.00		
NWF Awards	\$0.00	\$0	
RPSC		\$49.50	
Treasurer Expenses	\$49.57	\$79.16	
Website		\$233.21	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$807.35</b>	<b>388.87</b>	<b>Total in US\$ with exchange rate</b>
			<b>\$1,091.77</b>
<b>Bank Accounts</b>			
BofA Bus Checking	\$10,439.07		
BofA Investment Acct	\$5,008.79		
GIC Acct		\$4,338.06	
Royal Checking		\$1,188.62	
<b>Total Banking</b>	<b>\$15,447.86</b>	<b>\$5,526.68</b>	<b>Total in US\$ with exchange rate</b>
			<b>\$19,425.18</b>



*Caroline & Stephen Brandt,  
Long-time, faithful Volunteers*



Charles H. Bebb designed his 19,000 square foot residence, which Boeing named Aldarra. Boeing moved in as a bachelor in 1914, but married Bertha Potter Paschall in 1921. Bertha had two young sons from a previous marriage, and the couple completed their family with their own son, William Boeing, Jr. Situated at the edge of a bluff overlooking Puget Sound, the impressive Mediterranean Revival residence has restrained detailing, a white stucco façade and red tile roof. The home was Boeing's principal residence until 1954 when he moved to his country estate near Fall City, just two years before his death. Boeing donated his home to Children's Orthopedic Hospital, which benefited from the sale of the estate to private owners. The William E. Boeing House is located on Huckleberry Lane in The Highlands, Washington. It is a private residence and not open to the public.



***Boeing House. Photo courtesy of Washington Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation***

Remember when the Boeing Company supported their employees' hobby clubs? And then they didn't.

Boeing Employees Stamp Club held two shows a year, spring and summer. How many of you regularly bought and savored their interesting and gorgeous show covers? I sure did! Maybe it was due to my older brother leaving the Air Force after almost a decade and going to work for Boeing in early 1987 (he more recently retired). He worked for Boeing during the Gulf War and did contract work in Saudi Arabia during that time. My brother and his wife also spent time in France where he did more contract work for Boeing; he sent covers to me from the air shows in France where Boeing participated. He also gave me Flight Covers when a new plane went up. The last plane up was the 747-8 (we think). I don't think I will see a Flight Cover for the new 777-9 that is in the works – my sister in law will be retired by then IF Boeing will produce a Flight Cover. These covers were only available to the employees who worked on that plane's line.

But then, it could also simply be I am interested in the coves as the Boeing Everett plant is only 20 minutes from our home.

The Boeing Employee Stamp Club came into existence in 1955. They started doing show covers in 1976. In 2006, Boeing started pulling their financial and other support from all their employee clubs. In order to survive, the clubs had to find new ways of support, create new charters and form under different names; thus, Evergreen Stamp Club was born. Evergreen still has the Boeing show covers; the full list of what is available is on Page 21, or you can use the QR code below to order the covers you are missing from your collection. Cover you want not listed? Then it is no longer available.

***William E. Boeing  
Aircraft Manufacturer  
Founder of Boeing  
Airplane Company***



Scan this QR code to go directly to the Boeing Show Covers website to order.





## Congratulations to the Strait Stamp Society

on 50 years, celebrated last August 5, 2023. Cathie Osborne, the sole remaining charter member of the Strait Stamp Society has kept the history of the Society over the years. In celebration of the club's 50 years, each issue of the *Strait Stamp Talk* newsletter in 2023 featured stories and photos that reflected moments and memories, friendships and fun, laughter and learning through the years.

### A bit of their history:

In October 1973, when *Linn's Stamp News* was over 80 pages every week and *Scott* catalogue was a single volume, three stamp collectors were introduced to each other on the Seattle-Winslow ferry. They had been with a church group traveling to a convention in the city, and when friends realized the newcomer collected, they put her together with the "old white guys".

Lloyd Stipe, Elmer Dunn and Cathie Osborne got to talking and wondered if there were any more collectors in the area. Consensus was to put an ad in the local *Port Angeles Daily News* inviting collectors to meet and then see what happens.

Six people showed up: Lloyd, Elmer, Cathie, Shep Sheppard, Mary Tate and one other. These collectors became Charter members who founded the Strait Stamp Society, a small club on Washington's Olympic Peninsula.

Lloyd, Elmer and Mary all collected US stamps, Shep liked Clallam/Jefferson County postal history, and Cathie was already into Bells. Their first meeting was at Elmer's house in December 1973. Soon after, they moved to a small Sunday School room at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Cedar (now a transit center). That sufficed for most of the 70's.

In 1974, the club read about the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs, and a pregnant Cathie went to their meeting in Tumwater at PIPEX that year, riding the Greyhound bus

down with her younger sister. The Executive of the Federation, Peter Steernburg, was encouraging and eager to have a new club in the area. So they applied and were accepted in 1977. (The Strait Stamp Society had to develop a Constitution as one of the requirements; that took some time.)

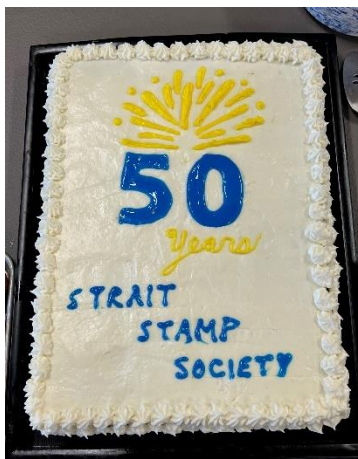
Strait Stamp Society membership grew, and in the early 1980's, their meetings were moved to the community building at what is now the Pebble Bay Apartments; one of their members lived there. Dick Romane was President for several years until he moved away. Cathie couldn't always attend the meetings because of two preschoolers by then (and two older kids, but not old enough to babysit), so meeting notices went out monthly by postal card.

During those years, the club had two or three "shows" which were more like displays at the old Sequim Post Office building which was then the Sequim Museum at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Cedar. Attendance at meetings has always been between 12 and 20 through the years, but they have always had enthusiastic members willing to share their hobby!

Also during the early 1980's, Cathie and Lloyd went to some Victoria, BC, shows, the first being in a social hall belonging to Christ Church Cathedral. So we knew they were there and began to meet a few of the members.

In 1986, PIPEX was in Victoria. Cathie, Rick and two older kids went over for the weekend; Cathie to the show, Rick to "do the town". On Saturday after the show, they rented a car and drove to Butchart Gardens to see the lights. It was June 14 with a long evening. And it had been and was a windy day.

While waiting for darkness, they were on benches watching a comedy show in the plaza area when a strong gust of wind went through. Rick, who had worked in the woods, heard the branch of a maple behind



Cake made by member Vera Felts



and above them crack, he looked up and said, “Here it comes.” Before they could move, it hit him. He had covered Cathie with his body and the kids were able to move out, but he had a broken shoulder blade, five broken ribs, eggshell fractures to his face, 38 stitches in his scalp, concussion and all his teeth were loose. His face had hit the back of Cathie’s head.

All this to say: The Chairman of PIPEX was Don Shorting, an MD. Rick was in the hospital two weeks in Victoria, and Don visited him and made sure that one of the better neurologists also checked on him. Through this, a philatelic friendship was formed.

Soon, Strait Stamp Society moved into the library’s meeting room in Sequim. Membership held steady and they acquired a newsletter edited by Tom Reed, a retired *Post Intelligencer* reporter. They even had some younger members, Lisa Foster (currently of Spanaway, Washington) being one of them.

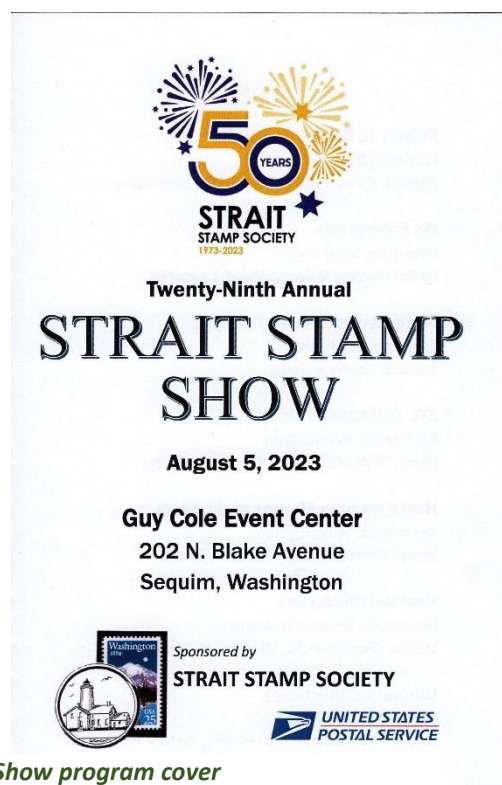
Through this time, Don Shorting kept saying that we should try a show – and by the way, the Victoria clubs had a number of six-page frames they needed to pass on because they had purchased 16-page frames. In the early 1990’s, the club agreed to pay \$5 a six-page frame, and the seeds for their first actual grown-up show were sown!

Cathie bought and read books on how to do a show, and the process began – publicity, show cancel, venue, exhibits, dealers, more publicity...And people volunteered their time and enthusiasm to put the first one together in 1994. Their cancel that year was the town logo (which has been replaced in the name of whatever it is that insists new is better).



Artists were sought out for cachet art for our covers and soon Tim Quinn, local political cartoonist, was doing the cancel designs. He got the hang of the required dimensions and rules and was a delight to work with.

From the first, the club offered rides to Victorians who wanted to come to the show. In the late 1980’s or early 1990’s, the governments of both countries got snippy



*Show program cover*

about dealers crossing the border, making so many requirements that they couldn’t afford to go either way (VERY sad!). So the Victorians who wanted to shop with US dealers came across the Strait to get their “fix”!

So many good years! Club members have always been so generous and enthusiastic. The late Sequim postmaster, Gregoy Emerick, has made many contributions to our club. The club has tried to keep “boring” business out of their meetings and emphasize stamps and fellowship. Life is too short to waste on reading minutes and hearing treasurer’s reports!

**Happy 50<sup>th</sup>  
Strait Stamp  
Society!**



*Wes Falor, President & Cathie Osborne, Secretary/Treasurer/ShowPerson*

*Many Thanks to Cathie Osborne and Judy Newblom for background information and photos for this article! Cathie created the anniversary logo on Page 10.*



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## CATHIE'S COLUMN

by Cathie Osborne

(Reprinted from *Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs BULLETIN*, March 1981)

I'm getting used to people being speechless when I say I collect stamps. Telling people what I do for fun seems to be one of the best ways to smother a conversation. But occasionally, I receive a response I'm not expecting. The normal rejoinder is something like, "I did, too, when I was a kid," or "So does my \_\_\_\_\_ (grandfather, son, great-aunt)." This time the unexpected way, "My uncle is on a stamp." When I didn't really recognize the layman's description of the stamp, we got out Scott and looked it up. It was U.S. #935, a blue stamp picturing sailors; and sure enough, there was Uncle Bill in the back row, with a big grin on his face. For a few moments we shared this exciting coincidence: that I should collect stamps and they should know someone on one. Have promised to find a first day cover the next time I go to a show. Perhaps that will whet the appetite of someone in their family for more stamp fare.



I guess I shouldn't complain about lack of enthusiasm when I expose my hobby to the uninitiated. My remarks when presented with other peoples' hobbies are not very intelligent, either. I mean, what do you say to someone who collects matchbook covers, or who ties knots in string, or who grows plants whose names I couldn't pronounce even if I could remember them? I even have problems when introduced to someone whose stamp collecting interests are different than mine. Can't you just imagine?

"I collect one each of all the new stamps at the post office, as an investment for my grandchildren."

"That's nice. You know the chances of their bringing a profit are pretty well nil?"

No, I think it is safer if I stick to the inane. And perhaps I should be glad my friends do, too!

One of the joys of my college years was the way bits and pieces of information gathered and stored over the years finally fell into place. After years of accumulating facts, I was finally able to link them together to make an orderly unit. Literature started to fit in with economics, music with history, religion with art, each another facet of the

whole. This was especially exciting to me. I can remember leaving lectures smiling, because of a new piece that fit.

This joy has been rediscovered since I began collecting stamps as an adult. Stamps encompass the whole of history, literature, art and daily life, and I'm constantly running into a stamp that relates to or expands other areas of my life. My research into my topic often brings a connection between two isolated particulars and opens up a new way of seeing. These new vistas are as exciting and breathtaking and soul-satisfying to me as hiking in the mountains, rounding a bend and suddenly being confronted with a view that fills the whole realm of vision. Stamp vistas just a minute away from my kitchen!

An example: The Fort Ticonderoga of many boring history classes was once named Fort Carillon – a fun fact discovered on vacation for my "bells on stamps" collection. And the Australian stamp showing a pack horse wearing a bell is fleshed out by the books of an author I discovered for my "fun" reading – Arthur Upton.

The appeal of stamps is the appeal of knowledge in place.

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## CATHIE'S COLUMN

by Cathie Osborne

(Written in 1978 for *The Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs*)

Being the only partner collecting stamps in a marriage is often not easy. And if you are the wife, very likely your philatelic activities are severely restricted, either by children, lack of finances or guilt. (After all, what woman prefers an evening at the stamp club to sewing a fine seam?)

However, when husbands were distributed, I got first prize. My husband's patience and vicarious enthusiasm (whether simulated or not) for my hobby is really remarkable. He actually listens when I share with him some new tidbit of information; and he even gets mildly excited when I make a "find". Two or three times a year he will transport me to the nearest shows, and babysit while I look, listen and absorb all I can in one afternoon.

The depth of his regard for me has shown the last two years by his taking me, sans children, to three-day shows in Portland. This year, at PIPEX, we covered the exhibits shoulder to shoulder; and while I attended the judges' critique, he searched in dealers' boxes for my collecting interests. I now report a few observations of a non-collecting spouse.

Rick enjoyed the exhibits and learned from them. Especially fascinating to him were the exhibits of DPO's of Oregon. His job takes him all through the state, and he is a history buff. However, he noticed a lack of precision in some of the maps drawn to locate post offices. Exhibitors note: Most non-collectors who visit a stamp show have their own area of expertise. Woe to your exhibit in their eyes should you boo-boo in their field.

Another area Rick made a comment on was the area included in "presentation" by the judges. He noticed misspellings, missing or incorrect punctuation, erasures, strike-overs, different styles and ages of pages in the same exhibit. Too much material on a page, with too much trying for clever symmetry also drew a negative comment from him. (Does he sound like the schoolteacher he is?) For the hand-lettered pages, he noted that the printing styles used should be consistent.

After the awards were attached to the exhibits, both Rick and I enjoyed going back and seeing if our choices agreed with those of the judges. But one comment Rick made over breakfast the next morning struck me as a delightful idea. Rick would like to cast a vote for his favorite exhibit. Wouldn't a Popular Award be a drawing card? More collectors and non-collectors alike would look at exhibits if their vote counted. And you couldn't help but have people learning things, which in turn would help the hobby (more educated collectors, right?). Collectors like me would invite their spouses and friends to come along and "at least, vote"! More people at the show would mean more people with the dealers, even if they hadn't meant to buy.

Well, we settled that issue over breakfast.

PIPEX '78 was a delightful experience for me, probably because Rick enjoyed himself as much as he did (he was able to watch a Sonics game uninterrupted by children and found some good sales at Lloyd Center while I immersed myself in meetings and seminars and cover boxes.) Already, we're saving so we can go again next year!

~ Cathie Osborne



Be sure to read an article about Strait Stamp Society's 50<sup>th</sup> in the *Sequim Gazette*:

<https://www.sequimgazette.com/life/sequim-stamp-club-to-celebrate-50-years-with-show/>

## The Federation's Website

by George Struble

The Federation's website, *NWFedStamps.org*, is back in business! No Zippywow features to admire, but up-to-date information.

In particular, it contains names and email addresses of the Federation's officers, information about clubs in the Federation and stamp shows in our region. Also, the current issue of *The Federated Philatelist*.

My thanks to Bill Seymour for helping me find the archive of websites and gain developer access to the site. My webmaster skills are limited!

I will soon expand the coverage to include back issues of *The Federated Philatelist*.

But the website is seriously lacking in some aspects. I have listed the clubs whose dues are paid and *reports are filed* with Lisa, our Treasurer. There are many clubs that have not yet paid their 2024 dues nor filed their reports. I am loath to include those clubs with obsolete information. So I strongly request you other clubs to pay your dues for 2024 – the dues are low! – and send in your annual report. Hint: The report form can be printed from the **Clubs** section on the website!

The listing of clubs now includes meeting time and place to encourage you, when you feel adventurous, to go visit another nearby club. And if the meeting times of *your* club are not listed on the website, please send them to me at [gstruble@williamette.edu](mailto:gstruble@williamette.edu).

Speaking of visiting other clubs, it is possible to visit club meetings by Zoom from the comfort of your own home. This capability is in place for every meeting (except December) for the Salem Club. We can include visitation invitations on our website: please tell me of other clubs that can offer this capability.

The website also lists stamp shows for which I have the information; either from personal knowledge or from ads in *The Federated Philatelist*. Please send me information on other stamp shows; I will be delighted to include it!

I am open to offers of other content for our website.

And I am open to offers to take over as Webmaster. We can't count on me at age 91 to carry on for a long period!

But I am pleased to fulfill this role now. The Federation can be a significant part of our philatelic lives, and I like to help make good things happen!



*Larry Crain, NWFSC Executive Director*



*Federation General Meeting*

*Show floor*



## 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 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](http://www.nwfedstamps.org)



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## PIPEX 2024 PALMARES

WSP Show – May 3-5, 2024

### Grand/Tony Wawrukiewicz Award

Hugh Lawrence - Postal Rates during the Gold Yuan Era  
Reserve Grand Award

Alfredo Frohlich - United States of Colombia 1868-1881  
Single Frame Grand Award

Louis Fiset - 1871 Commune of Paris Prisoners' Mail

### MULTI-FRAME EXHIBITS

#### Large Gold

Hugh Lawrence - Postal Rates during the Gold Yuan Era  
(94 pts)

Alfredo Frohlich - United States of Colombia 1868-  
1881 (92 pts)

George Struble - SCADTA Mail to and from  
Switzerland (90 pts)

Michael Dixon - Napoleon Bonaparte: From Waterloo to  
Hotel des Invalides (90 pts)

David Spivack - The Overprinted Great Britain ½d  
Jubilee Used in Bechuanaland Protectorate, 1887-1902  
(90 pts)  
Gold

Roger Heath - 100 Years of Refused Markings on Swiss  
Mail (89 pts)

David Spivack - The Great Britain Unappropriated Dies  
Appropriated for Use in British Bechuanaland and  
Bechuanaland Protectorate from 1884 through 1918 (88  
pts)

George Struble - Getting Swiss Airmail off the Ground  
(88 pts)

Louis Fiset - Japanese American Soldiers in World War  
II (88 pts)

David Jay - Rail and Ship Marks of the St. Petersburg  
City Post, 1870-1916 (86 pts)

John M. Hotchner – United States Auxiliary Markings,  
1900-1950, Documenting Delay of, or inability to  
Deliver the Mail (86 pts)

James A. Buckner - Czechoslovakia's Newspaper  
Stamps 1918-1939 (85 pts)  
Large Vermeil

Eric Knapp - Alaska at War (84 pts)

Alan Hanzl - The Partitioning of Czechoslovakia (1938-  
1939) (83 pts)

Jason Yang - Handling Undeliverable Mail to Killed and  
Missing Soldiers in the German  
Feldpost System, 1939-1945 (83 pts)

Ulf J. Lindahl - Project 19 Most Secret – APO 617 in  
Eritrea (83 pts)

Christopher Dahle - Philately of Rhodesia and  
Nyasaland – 1954-1964 (83 pts)

Hal Leland - The One Cent Issue of 1869: The Making  
and Use of a Classic U.S. Stamp (82 pts)

Ralph Nafziger - Auxiliary Markings on U.S. First Day  
Covers (81 pts)

#### Vermeil

Norma Nielson - Fabergé's Imperial Easter Eggs:  
Exquisite Extravagance (78 pts)

#### Large Silver

Donald Blais - The Evolution of Bridges (73 pts)  
Silver Bronze

Steve Staton - Las Vegas Performers and Artists on  
Picture Postcards (61 pts)

### SINGLE FRAME EXHIBITS

#### Large Gold

Louis Fiset - 1871 Commune of Paris Prisoners' Mail  
(90 pts)  
Gold

Hugh Lawrence - The Non-Denominated Domestic Air  
Letter Sheets of China (1948-1956) (89 pts)

Emory Earl Toops - The Insurrectionist Issues of Laos,  
1961 and 1974 (88 pts)

#### Large Vermeil

Lloyd Ferrell - The U.S. Battleship Oregon (1893-1919)  
(84 pts)

Louis Fiset - U.S. Internment of Latin America  
Deportees (1942-1946) (83 pts)

Dann Mayo - LATI Mail to the United States (83 pts)

Carol J. Edholm - Cacao: The Path to Chocolate (82 pts)  
Donna Trathen - Canada's First RCMP Stamp (1935)

#### (80 pts)

#### Vermeil

Roger Santala - Jaakarit: The 27th Royal Prussian Jager  
Battalion (79 pts)

#### Bronze

Tim Bergquist - The 13-cent U.S. Commemorative  
Stamps (57 pts)

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#### Large Vermeil

Mikayla A. Kaloustian - African Elephants: An Animal  
That Never Forgets

#### Vermeil

Yumiko Ramirez - Mexico through the Eyes of Lance  
Wyman

### SPECIAL AWARDS

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors

#### Gold Awards of Honor

Yumiko Ramirez - Mexico through the Eyes of Lance  
Wyman

Mikayla A. Kaloustian - African Elephants: An Animal  
That Never Forgets

#### Award of Excellence - Treatment

David Spivack - The Overprinted Great Britain ½d  
Jubilee Used in Bechuanaland Protectorate, 1887-1902

Jean Benninghoff Encouragement Award  
 Donald Blais - The Evolution of Bridges  
 Youth Grand Award  
 Mikayla A. Kaloustian - African Elephants: An Animal  
 That Never Forgets  
 First Time Exhibitor Award  
 David Jay - Rail and Ship Marks of the St. Petersburg  
 City Post, 1870-1916  
 American Philatelic Congress – Award  
 Michael Dixon - Napoleon Bonaparte: From Waterloo to  
 Hotel des Invalides  
 American Philatelic Society  
 Award of Excellence, pre-1900  
 Alfredo Frohlich - United States of Colombia 1868-1881  
 Award of Excellence, 1900-1940  
 George Struble - SCADTA Mail to and from  
 Switzerland  
 Award of Excellence, 1940-1980  
 Hugh Lawrence - Postal Rates during the Gold Yuan Era  
 Research Award  
 Hugh Lawrence - Postal Rates during the Gold Yuan Era  
 American Topical Association  
 1st Award  
 Michael Dixon - Napoleon Bonaparte: From Waterloo to  
 Hotel des Invalides  
 One-frame Merit Award  
 Carol J. Edholm - Cacao: The Path to Chocolate  
 Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs - Thunderbird  
 Award  
 Donald Blais - The Evolution of Bridges  
 United States Stamp Society – Statute of Freedom  
 Award  
 John M. Hotchner - 20th century U.S. Auxiliary  
 Markings Documenting Delay of, or Inability to Deliver,  
 the Mail. The First 50 Years (1900-1950)

Upper Bongoland Collector's Club - Larry Spray  
 Encouragement Award  
 Steve Staton - Las Vegas Performers and Artists on  
 Picture Postcards  
 Women Exhibitors - Sterling Achievement Award  
 Steve Staton - Las Vegas Performers and Artists on  
 Picture Postcards

CONVENING SOCIETY AWARDS  
 Society for Czechoslovak Philately – Alfons Mucha  
 Medal  
 James A. Buckner - Czechoslovakia's Newspaper  
 Stamps 1918-1939  
 Military Postal History Society - Theo Van Dam Award  
 Louis Fiset - Japanese American Soldiers in World War  
 II

PIPEX AWARDS  
 People's Choice Award  
 Carol J. Edholm - Cacao: The Path to Chocolate  
 Best Club Exhibit  
 Oregon Stamp Society  
 George Struble Innovation Award  
 Yumiko Ramirez - Mexico through the Eyes of Lance  
 Wyman

PIPEX 2024 Jury Members  
 Ken Nilsestuen, Chief Judge Akron, Ohio  
 Frederick Lawrence Gilbert, Arizona  
 Colin Fraser Woodstock, New York  
 Jan Hofmeyr Cadboro Bay, British Columbia  
 Michael Bloom Portland, Oregon

## SOPEX 2024 (Southern Oregon Philatelic Exhibition); Medford, Oregon



*Non-Competitive Exhibits had a half-page sheet where viewers could attach colored stickers (from the hospitality area) to place on the sheet to express a "like" for the exhibit in that frame. The 12-page frames used the space for the first page as the place for the "like" sheet on the outside of the frame. The 16-page frames used an appropriate space anywhere.*



## SOPEX 2024

June 7 – 8, 2024



At frames club president Ed Park and Peggy Heyward. 75% of the club membership attended the first day (Friday) or helped set up the day before.

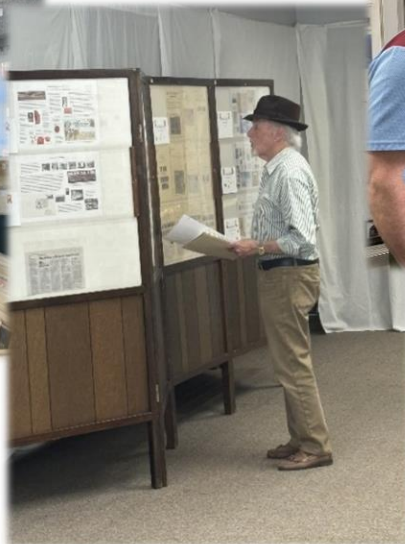


Dealer area, left Bob Burger and Mark Baker. Seven dealers, 3 from Oregon, 3 from California and 1 from Washington.



Foreground dealer Niko Courtelis of Uptown Stamps, background exhibits

Judge Jim Busse  
Redmond, Oregon



## SOPEX Awards

In addition to the 12 attractive non-competitive (fun) exhibits, there were 11 exhibits judged at SOPEX 2024 by outstandingly thorough Judges Jim Busse and Ralph Nafziger.

Larry Maddux won the Grand and a Gold for his *Use of Postage Stamps in the United States 1947-1873*, and a Gold and the Carley Cup for *Discontinued Post Offices of Jackson, Josephine and Coos Counties that Were Established in the 19th Century*.

Nancy Swan's *Birthstones* received a Gold and the Display Trophy, and a Vermeil and Herbert Trophy for the topical *The Heraldic Lion*.

Larry Crain's *Postcards: Iceland 100 Years Ago* won a Vermeil, Sterton Trophy and NW Federation ribbon, and his *19th Century US Post Offices Named El Dorado* was awarded a Silver and the AAPE Award.

The judges awarded Rick Aubin a Silver for his colorful postcard exhibit on *Railroad Car Fruit and Vegetable Exaggerations 1941-1945* and a Bronze for *Censored World War II Airmail Covers 1941-1945*.

John Swenson's *Mutiny on the Bounty & the Occupation of Pitcairn Island* also received a Bronze.

Robert Pope was awarded a Silver for his exhibit *Overprints of Mexico's Hidalgo 5 Centavo War Issue 1911-1917*. He was also awarded the WE pin and won the SOPS President's Award for the best exhibit by a non-club member; he is from the Sacramento, California club.



Judge Ralph Nafziger (right) talks with show visitor in front of frames. In background on left can be seen club trophies. On right is hospitality area. In top left by the ribbon on the frames are three "like" stickers. It wasn't only the non-competitive exhibits which got "likes" from the viewers.



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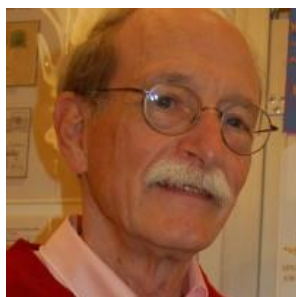
## CLOSED ALBUMS

**Howard Ness.** March 5, 2024. Long-time member of the Inland Empire Philatelic Society (Spokane, WA). Howard lived in Federal Way, Washington in recent years, after his wife passed away and his health began to fail. Many still remember him as a Board member, club auctioneer and for his involvement with the John Arn Symposium in the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs. Howard collected postal history, including a large collection of Spokane, Hawaii, Saint Pierre and Miquelon, and miscellaneous other things. He was an IEPS life member, known for helping other members, and knowledgeable about many philatelic subjects. Howard will be missed by all who knew him. Monetary donations in Howard's name may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association. ~*The Lilac Hinge, Inland Empire Philatelic Society*



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### Dickson Preston, 1940-2024



Military Postal History Society member and former American Philatelic Society accredited judge, Dickson Preston of Seattle Washington, died March 9 at age 83. His most recent exhibit was the APOs in Greenland. In addition to Greenland, he collected Denmark, Danish West Indies, Württemberg, German East Africa, commercial Zeppelin mail, the U.S. Presidential ("Prexie") series, Canal Zone, and the CIPEX souvenir sheet. He exhibited many of these collections.

Preston's articles have appeared in the *Posthorn*, *U.S. Specialist*, *American Philatelist*, *Air Post Journal*, *German Postal Specialist*, and *Canal Zone Philatelist* among other journals. He served as former Chairman of Exhibits and Judging of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs and was former Exhibits Chairman of SEAPEX. He was a retired professor from the University of Washington. ~ *Alan Warren, Military Postal History Society*

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### Michael D. Dixon, 1937-2024

Noted philatelist and exhibition organizer Michael Dixon died March 9, 2024 at age 86. He was an accredited APS chief judge for philatelic and literature exhibits, an FIP judge, and a member of the FIP Literature Commission. He exhibited nationally and internationally beginning in the 1970s. He held many responsible positions in organized philately but was best known as President and Board chairman of the Washington 2006 International Exhibition.



Michael was a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society London, served on its Council 1980-1983, and was a consultant to their expertizing committee. He held several positions on the board of the NAPEX show including show chairman. He was past president of the Latin American Collectors Club, and a vice president of the American Philatelic Congress. Michael served on several APS committees including CANEJ; Technology International; a consultant to Expertizing; and also on the Board as director-at-large. He was Commissioner for the US to exhibitions in Germany and the United Kingdom.

His collecting interests included GB King Edward VIII and Wilding issues, British Forces air mail letter cards and air letters of WWII, GB WWII POW air mail postal stationery, and Paris pneumatic mails among other subjects. His articles have appeared in the *London Philatelist*, *American Philatelist*, the Great Britain Philatelic Society's *Chronicle*, *Mainsheet*, *Filatelia Peruana*, and the *American Philatelic Congress Book*. Following the Washington 2006 exhibition, Michael relocated to Portland, Oregon where he overhauled the APS World Series of Philately show PIPEX and served as its general manager.

Michael Dixon was awarded the London Medal for service to the Royal Philatelic Society London. He was honored with the Northwest Federation's Distinguished Philatelist Award in 2015. In 2012, he received the APS John N. Luff award for exceptional contributions to philately.

He was born in London, obtained advanced degrees and worked for a scientific abstracting and indexing firm. He and his family moved to Maryland in 1982 to head the firm's U.S. subsidiary, and he later served as a consultant to the U.S. government. Dixon is survived by his wife Carolyn, a sister, and two sons and their families. ~ *Alan Warren, Military Postal History Society*

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**Ken Boody** of the Salem Stamp Society passed away Easter Day (March 31) while visiting family in Georgia. There will be no services. ~ *Willamette Stamp & Tongs, Salem Stamp Society*

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**Rowena Hughes** of the Oregon Stamp Society has passed away. She was well known for her unusual exhibits and quirky subject matter.

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**Henry Jones** of the Strait Stamp Society passed away on May 4. He was well known for his work with the Methodist Church, Rotary Club, Investor's Club, Strait Stamp Society and the KSQM radio family.

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## OREGON POSTAL HISTORY QUERY

I receive the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs email newsletter as a member and officer of the Alaska Collectors' Club and thought I'd contact you concerning two Oregon postal history matters I have in hopes you might be able to refer them to the right person(s) since I am not very knowledgeable about Oregon postal history. Incidentally, I also collect PIPEX covers.

My first question is about the 1985 Whittlesey-Helbock catalog listing (p. 116) of "Lackemute" and the later listing of "Luckiamute" (p. 130) with a reference back to Lackemute. As it turns out, my wife Virginia's maternal 2nd great-grandparents, James & Elizabeth Smith, purchased a donation land claim on the Luckiamute after arriving in Oregon on the last day of 1846 after surviving being members of the first wagon train to use the so-called Applegate Trail (it was not fit for covered wagons & was longer than the usual route). Virginia has researched who owned/occupied the land prior to her ancestors and learned it was the Luckiamute band of Kalapuya; a confirming archaeological site is found approximately 5 miles directly east of the Smith donation claim (*U of Oregon, Museum of Natural History, Oregon Archaeological Survey, James Bell, Feb 7, 1981*). The only place we have found the term "Lackemute" is in the 1985 catalog; we think it is a mis-reading of the January 28, 1851, Luckimiute cover shown on page 1 of the *Winter 1983 Oregon Postal History Journal*. While there

### 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](mailto:larry.crain@gmail.com) if you are interested in serving.

are spelling variations of the Native American names involved, we think Lackemute is the least accurate and needs to be struck from a revised Oregon postmark catalog. As another aside, a good hiking friend of Virginia's is Barbara Whittlesey, daughter of Charles A. Whittlesey!

The second item you might be able to help with is that I have a 1909 White Pass and Yukon postcard with a Hot Lake, Oregon cancel that I would like to trade for a similar value Alaska item. Since the 1985 Oregon catalog lists "Hotlake" (one word) instead of two words, I believe the postmark might be uncommon but perhaps it was one word before 1900.

I find postal history fascinating and have been collecting Alaska material since my first day in the state in 1965. Please let me know if I might be of help to you or your friends with any Alaska postal history related questions or any questions related to this request.

Thank you very much, & I hope you have an enjoyable New Year!

Jim Zuelow  
Tucson, AZ  
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PS. We try to spend time in Oregon nearly every summer. Virginia's brother and wife live in Sublimity.

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# VANCOUVER ISLAND PHILATELIC SOCIETY & THE GREATER VICTORIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY UPDATE

My name is Bruce Pollock and I am the president of the Victoria Stamp Club. You may be aware that in September 2023, the members of the Vancouver Island Philatelic Society and the Greater Victoria Philatelic Society voted to merge the two groups into one new club.

The VIPS has been a long-time member of the NWFSC, and we would like to continue our membership in the form of our newly named club. Reg Smart has agreed to stay on as our NWFSC contact.

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(Please note the subtle change in the website URL. We have recently completely overhauled it.)

A brief summary of what happened with the merger of the two clubs:

The Vancouver Island Philatelic Society (VIPS) was established in 1931. The Greater Victoria Philatelic Society (GVPS) was established in 1939. Membership in each club had been declining for a few years, but was particularly hard hit by the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. Leadership positions were becoming hard to fill.

Club leaders held informal discussions in the spring of 2023 about the possibility of joining resources by merging the two clubs together. An Executive Advisory Group was created made up of the executive members of each club plus other respected senior leaders. Its purpose was to make policy recommendations about the merger.

It was agreed to take the merger idea to the membership and, on June 16, 2023, a town hall meeting was held where all members from each club were invited. At this meeting, the problems facing the clubs and the need for change were laid out. An informal poll on the merger concept was held and there was strong support from those in attendance. However, the members also said they wanted to ensure a structured process would carry this out.

In response, specific voting procedures were prepared which included voter eligibility and balloting processes. These were approved at a Special General Meeting and member voting proceeded during August 2023. The merger was unanimously approved.

Since the merger, we have set ourselves the broad objective of growing the hobby across Vancouver Island. It's not so much about increasing our club membership per se (although that would be nice), but more about reaching all collectors with philatelic news and resources. There are other clubs on the Island and, as the largest club with the most resources, we want to support them as well.

To reach this objective, we focused on improving our communications and have completely updated our website which is refreshed regularly with news and resources. We have created a new email distribution system and are reaching more people who are not members, but who are interested collectors. We have also updated our meeting structure and program planning.

So far, we have been seeing a healthy uptick in new membership and also the return of previous members. Some of this is probably attributable to the pent-up demand for social activity during the pandemic, but it has certainly created a new and positive energy in our meetings.

Bruce Pollock, President  
Victoria Stamp Club







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Boeing 75 Years (first airplane); 1992 Jan 12	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
727-100 Jetliner; 1993 Jan 23	\$2.50	_____	\$ _____
777 First Flight "Working Together"; 1994 Jun 12	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
Transonic Wind Tunnel; 1995 Jan 21	\$2.50	_____	\$ _____
Lunar Rover; 1997 Jan 19	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
737-700 Building on Success The Next-Gen 737; 1997 Feb 9	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
737-800 Building on Success The Next-Gen 737; 1997 Aug 1	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
777-300 First Flight; 1997 Oct 16	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
KC-97 Flying Boom Tankers; 1998 Jan 17	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
737-600 Building on Success The Next-Gen 737; 1998 Jan 22	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
E22 Lockheed Martin-Boeing Raptor First Flight; 1998 Jul 18	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
757-300 First Flight; 1998 Aug 2	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
717-200 First Flight; 1998 Sep 2	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
BBL First Flight; 1998 Sep 4	\$2.00	_____	\$ _____
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767-400ER First Flight; 1999 Oct 9	\$2.50	_____	\$ _____
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C-17 Globemaster III; 2000 Jan 23	\$2.50	_____	\$ _____
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737-900 Building on Success The Next-Gen 737; 2000 Aug 3	\$2.50	_____	\$ _____
B-1B Lancer; 2002 Jan 12	\$3.00	_____	\$ _____
777-300ER First Flight; 2003 Feb 24	\$3.00	_____	\$ _____
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Douglas VC-118 Modified DC-6; 2005 Jan 30	\$3.00	_____	\$ _____
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## SEAPEX Revitalization as a WSP event!

There is a small group wanting to revitalize SEAPEX to a WSP event once again. With the medical retirement of the last SEAPEX President/Show Chair (2022), there was also a loss of several important committee chairs and board members. This simply left not enough people to continue the show or anyone to step up as Show Chair; thus, SEAPEX lost their WSP status.

Currently, PIPEX in Oregon is the ONLY WSP show in the Pacific Northwest (the next nearest is WESTPEX in California). If you want a WSP show in Washington, then please step up and volunteer!

SEAPEX needs volunteers, many volunteers to handle these duties: order/pickup Donuts for Dealers/Volunteers; exhibit frames moving between show and storage and setup/take down; accept mail delivery of exhibits and return shipping; check-in and out of exhibits at show; mounting and dismounting of exhibits in frames; Exhibit Awards Chair; Exhibit Medallions/Ribbons/Special Awards ordering and pick-up; Jury Chair; awards banquet; convening societies, meetings and presentations invitations and scheduling; first day ceremonies and special speakers; ceremonies/show theme cakes ordering and pick-up; advertising; Name Tags for dealers, volunteers, exhibitors, jury, Board, etc., print out and put tags together with ribbons on lanyards; show docents; silent auction (if we continue with this program); Greet Table volunteers; hospitality suite at the hotel; webmaster; and Exhibit Award Certificates and Palmares. There are many other jobs/tasks with volunteers already signed up to handle them. This list is just what is unfilled or uncommitted to. All 7 Board Member slots are up for vote. Out of the Board Members, the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer will be chosen.

If you wish to volunteer at SEAPEX, please let us know. Send an email to [seapex.show@gmail.com](mailto:seapex.show@gmail.com) and state the positions/job tasks you are willing to take on. Also mention if you would like to be a Board Member. Not all Board Members will hold an official Position (stated above). You can live anywhere in Federation territory as, thanks to COVID, Zoom meetings are still the way to communicate – as well as email and phone calls. So anyone can serve on the SEAPEX Board and on the show committees. We look forward to working with you!

## Federation Award Nominations

The Federation sponsors three different awards, but there is no requirement that any of them be given out each year. However, certainly with almost 40 member organizations, there are deserving people out there, so each club should try to submit some nominations.

**Member Service Award.** For outstanding and distinguished local service to a member organization.

See the Federation website and Federation By-Laws for more details.

Only the Member Service Award winners are listed in this issue as the other award winners were listed in the last issue. All lists will be reprinted and updated in the December issue to encourage clubs to submit their nominees in January to be awarded at PIPEX.

### Federation Member Club Service Award (2014 – Date)

2014: Ula Mae Neligh; Portland, OR  
2014: Ronald Sumner; Portland, OR  
2014: Alan Meech; Edmonton, Alberta  
2014: Keith R. Spencer; Edmonton, Alberta  
2014: Richard Moyer; Medford, OR  
2015: Stephen Recher; Kennewick, WA  
2015: Wes Falor; Brinnon, WA  
2015: Ken Gregory; Kirkland, WA  
2015: Eric Baker; Seattle, WA  
2015: Nancy Swan; Medford, OR  
2015: Bill Seymour; The Dalles, OR  
2015: Larry Spray; Portland, OR  
2015: Lucien Klein; Salem, OR  
2015: Bob Reynolds; Salem, OR  
2015: Eric Knapp; Anchorage, AK

2015: Phil Bronner; Springfield, OR  
2015: Eric Ranger; New Westminster, BC  
2016: Charlotte & Ed Parks; Medford, OR  
2016: Phil Kumler; Tualatin, OR  
2016: Lisa Foster; Seattle, WA  
2016: Judith Ireton; Anchorage, AK  
2016: Ruth Ann Farnsworth; Anchorage, AK  
2017: David Schwantes; Anchorage, AK  
2017: Pat Hoffman; Anchorage, AK  
2017: Jerry Rottman; Portland, OR  
2018: George Struble; Salem, OR  
2018: Nicholas Fallenbee; Medford, OR  
2018: Robert Stubbs; Kent, WA  
2019: Margaret Dunn; Tri-Cities, WA  
2019: Michael Luttio; Eugene, OR



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## 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](mailto:eknapp@gci.net). [www.alaskaphilatellic.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.bcphilatellic.org).



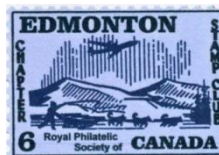
The **British North America Philatelic Society** (Pacific Northwest Regional Group) joined the Federation in 1998. Publish *West Coast Express*. Hold regional group meeting at VANPEX. In our area, are the Calgary, Edmonton and Pacific Northwest Chapters. PNW Chapter publishes the *British Columbia Postal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

The **Central Oregon Postal Collective** 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 [stbucknum@msn.com](mailto:stbucknum@msn.com).



The **Collectors Club of Seattle** has been a Federation member since 1954. Do not have a website or newsletter. Dues \$\_\_\_. Contact [hstamps1@frontier.com](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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, Penticton and Vernon. Dues \$ per year, \$\_\_\_ for

family and \$\_\_\_ for juniors (under 16). <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](mailto: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. <https://pacificnorthwestpostalhistorysociety.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/](http://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](mailto: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 to May at 7:30 pm at Campus Regina Public School staff room. 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.salemstampclub.org](http://www.salemstampclub.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, *The Philatelic Reminder*. Meet first and third Thursdays 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](http://www.straitstamp.org).

The **Tacoma Stamp Club** is a founding member of the Federation. Publish monthly newsletter, *The Tacoma Philatelist*. Meet fourth Tuesday at 6:00 pm at Bay Terrace Community Center in Tacoma. Dues \$15 per year. Contact [sharwilkey@gmail.com](mailto: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 \$\_\_ per year. Contact [adams@mcsi.net](mailto: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](http://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](http://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](mailto:peafowlphilatelics@gmail.com).]



## UPCOMING STAMP SHOWS / BOURSES

Show Dates			Major events in bold / <i>PNW events in Italic</i>	Revised: 10 June 2024	
FRI	SAT	SUN	SHOW NAME	LOCATION	TYPE
		21 Jan	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
	27 Jan	28 Jan	Greater Eastside Show	Redmond, WA	Bourse
	3 Feb		Vancouver Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
3 <sup>rd</sup>	weekend		Regina, Saskatchewan Stamp Show	Regina, SK	Show
	2 Mar		Sno-King Stamp Club Show	Kenmore, WA	Bourse
	22 Mar	23 Mar	Edmonton Spring National Stamp Show (2025)	Edmonton, BC	<b>Show</b>
		31 Mar	Vintage Retro Collectible Show	Victoria, BC	Mixed
	6 Apr		John D. Arn Philatelic Symposium	Moses Lake, WA	Bourse
	6 Apr		Olympia Philatelic Society Spring Roundup	Lacey, WA	Bourse
		14 Apr	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
	20 Apr	21 Apr	Evergreen Stamp Club Spring Show; Kent Commons	Kent, WA	Bourse
<b>26 Apr</b>	<b>27 Apr</b>	<b>28 Apr</b>	<b>WESTPEX (WSP)</b>	<b>Burlingame CA</b>	<b>Show</b>
<b>3 May</b>	<b>4 May</b>	<b>5 May</b>	<b>PIPEX 2024 (WSP)</b>	<b>Clackamas, OR</b>	<b>Show</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Weekend	Garden City Stamp Club Wallace Weekend event	Missoula, MT	Bourse
	1 Jun		Vancouver Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
		23 Jun	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
7 Jun	8 Jun		Southern Oregon Philatelic Exhibition (SOPEX)	Medford, OR	Show
	20 Jul	20 Jul	Evergreen Stamp Club Summer Show; Kent Commons	Kent, WA	Bourse
	5 Aug		Vintage Retro Collectible Show	Victoria, BC	Mixed
	10 Aug		Strait Stamp Show	Sequim, WA	Show
6 Sept	7 Sept	8 Sept	SEAPEX	Tukwila, WA	Bourse
	21 Sept		Vancouver Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
	5 Oct		Olympia Philatelic Society Fall Roundup	Lacey, WA	Bourse
	23 Nov		Vancouver Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Show	Burnaby, BC	Bourse
		24 Nov	Victoria Stamp & Postcard Fair	Victoria, BC	Bourse
		24 Nov	Vintage Retro Collectible Show	Sidney, BC	Mixed

- 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

