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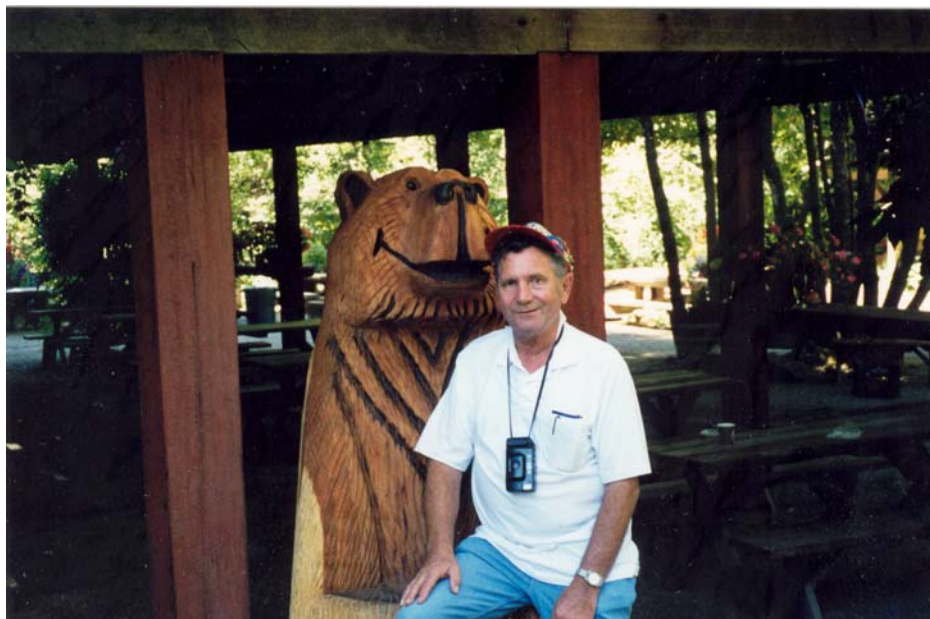
IN MEMORIAM, LEONARD HOLMSTEN

Bay Area philatelists are saddened by the passing of Past President of the CNCPS Leonard Holmsten. Leonard passed away Sept. 4, 2008, just weeks after he received an APS Resolution of Appreciation for his outstanding accomplishments. CNCPS President Vesma Grinfelds presented Leonard Holmsten with the resolution, honoring him for decades of selfless dedication to the Philatelic Community.

The APS resolution called out Leonard's notable achievements:

- Service as President of the CNCPS and Editor of the Council Courier
- Receiving the Chaloner Award, the highest award bestowed by the Council
- Chairing COALPEX and serving on the Board of Directors of WESTPEX
- Mentoring and cultivating countless exhibitors

Another album closes its pages. Leonard will truly be missed by all who knew him.



IN MEMORIAM, DON DAY

John D. (Don) Day - A member of the Alameda Stamp Club for a number of years, passed away September 4, 2008, after a long struggle with a number of ailments. In addition to being a member of the Alameda club, he was a long-time member of the East Bay Collectors Club and once a member of The Philatelic Society of San Leandro. He was prominent in local philatelic circles, having served as security officer for WESTPEX, as President of the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies, and as General Chairman of COALPEX.

Don was also a major contributor to exhibits at local stamps shows, and noted for his exhibits of crash covers.

CNCPS MEETING AT SACAPEX SHOW

The Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies will meet during the SACAPEX 2008 Stamp Show:

Saturday, November 1
12:00 PM
SACAPEX

COUNCIL 2009 MEETING SCHEDULE

- March 14: Saturday, 1:00PM FRESPEX
- April 26: Sunday, Noon at WESTPEX
- October 25: Saturday, Noon at EBCC
- December 6: Sunday, Noon at PENPEX

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCIL CLUBS! EXCESS DONATIONS RECEIVED BY NEVADA STAMP STUDY SOCIETY

The Nevada Stamp Study Society located in Reno has an overload of philatelic donations which they have received. They have generously offered to share them with other Council Clubs! This is a wonderful opportunity for your Club to obtain auction, raffle or other material for your members to be used at Club events and meetings. In turn, the NSSS is in need of speakers for their meetings in 2009. The Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturday at 10:00 AM. Maybe a week-end field trip to Reno would be a nice excursion for Club members!

PENPEX STAMP SHOW WILL HONOR YOUTH/BEGINNERS

By Hank Washauer

PENPEX, in conjunction with the Sequoia Stamp Club, has set aside a room dedicated to youth under 18 and all beginners. This room encourages parents to join their children in fun stamp activities ;along with introducing new collectors to the stamp hobby, where the children will be given goodies.

The Sequoia Stamp Club has a membership of approximately 100. The Club by-laws accommodate all youth under 18 by offering dues at 1/2 the regular dues, which stands at \$3.00 per year (Not a typographical error). The youths who have the name of Associate Members now number over 30 members.

PENPEX , which will be held on December 6 & 7 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, has free admission and free parking. The show is held in the Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA 94061.

PENPEX is a full stamp show and includes: 17 Stamp Dealers, 58 frames of exhibits, Show Cachet, Snack Bar, Seminars, and a Silent Auction that closes on Sunday at 2:30 PM.

For further information on the show or youth room, refer to the PENPEX website:

<http://www.penpex.org>,
Email: penpexredwoodcity@yahoo.com,

or mail questions to:

PENPEX,
P.O. Box 235
San Carlos, CA 94070.

COUNCIL OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA PHILATELIC SOCIETIES

MINUTES OF THE 7/12/08 MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Vesma Grinfelds at 1:10 PM on July 20, 2008, at the Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show in Reno. The vice president and treasurer were absent. A bare quorum of members was present to conduct an official meeting.

The minutes of the prior meeting were approved as printed in the Council Courier.

President Grinfelds read a financial report as submitted by the treasurer.

Vesma reported that the facility where the frames are stored is going a good for us getting the frames in and out as needed.

The webmaster is working on a new section for the website--Our Philatelic Heritage--listing a history of the stamp clubs in the area. Coming soon!

Discussion was held on an application from the International Society of Baltic States for admittance into the Council. A motion was made, seconded and approved that the society be admitted to the Council.

Vesma brought up the possibility that we might need a new editor for the Courier and requested we give thought to a replacement should the need arise.

Discussion on the Speakers Bureau ended with a recommendation that the list of speakers be updated and distributed to the clubs.

Locations for the 2009 meetings were discussed and tentatively established as: FRESPEX, WEST-PEX, East Bay Collectors Club Show and PENPEX.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Kasdorf
Secretary

WESTPEX '09 STAMP SHOW

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Prospectus and Entry Form Available for the WESTPEX '09 Stamp Show

The 49th Annual WESTPEX Stamp Show will be held April 24-26, 2009. The prospectus and entry forms for the exhibition are now available at the web site www.westpex.org or from Ross Towle, 400 Clayton Street, San Francisco, CA 94117.

The show will be held at the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel, 1800 Old Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, just a mile south of the San Francisco International Airport, at the Millbrae turnoff.

WESTPEX will host the American Air Mail Society and the Society of Israel Philatelists. Special Cinderella souvenir sheets honoring the guest societies have been created. The American Air Mail Society sheet will commemorate the art of Donald Evans (1945-1977), noted artist of miniature stamp painting. The Society for Israel Philatelists sheet will commemorate the 100th anniversary of Tel Aviv. The sheets are \$5 each at the show or by mail plus \$1 postage from WESTPEX at the address below.

This is a 320 frame World Series of Philately exhibition with the Grand Award winner eligible for the annual Champion of Champions event of the American Philatelic Society. Judges for the exhibition include Phil Stager (chairman), Morticai (Moti) Kremener, Thomas P. Myers, Dr. Mack E. Banchik, Ann Triggler and Santiago Cruz (apprentice).

There is a bourse of 75 national and international stamp and postal history dealers. Schuyler Rumsey Auctions of San Francisco plans a three days sale. An Awards Banquet is scheduled for Saturday April 25 at \$58 per person. Also at the show are the Friends of the Western Philatelic Library, numerous society and specialist group meetings, and a dynamic Youth/Beginner area.

Plans are being made for a two day APS seminar for Wednesday April 22 and Thursday April 23 at the hotel. Details will be announced later.

Check the WESTPEX web site www.westpex.org for future announcements, details of all events and for hotel reservation information, or at P.O. Box 210579, San Francisco, CA 94121-0579.

COALPEX 2008 HIGHLIGHTS

This year's COALPEX show was dedicated to woman stamp collectors. All exhibits were by female collectors. Here are the Palmares awards and some photos from COALPEX 2008.



Gold Award Winners



Vesma Grinfelds with Judge David McNamee



Congratulations Cake for the Woman Exhibitors at COALPEX

Here are the top Palmares awards:

Show Grand Award and Gold and APS Award

A Tourist's Guide to New Orleans at the Beginning of the 20th Century Terri Edwards

“Best of the Best” Multiframe Exhibit and Gold

New Hebrides/Nouvelles Hébrides Sheryll Ruecker

“Best of the Best” One Frame Exhibit and Gold

The First Stamp of Latvia Printed on Maps Vesma Grinfelds

GREATER RENO SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

Here are some photos from the Greater Reno Show.



The Show Banquet



Award Is Presented to Stan Dunford-Jackson (A First Time Winner!)

**East Bay Collectors Club
Sixty-Third Annual Show
October 25-26, 2008**

Palmares

GRAND AWARD + GOLD: “USS Oregon: “Bulldog of the Fleet”	Robert D. Rawlins
RES. GRAND Multi-frame + GOLD: “Era of Edward VIII”	Jerry Rodgers
RES GRAND One-frame + GOLD: “USS Maine In Memoriam”	Robert D. Rawlins
VERMEIL + AAPE Award of Honor: “Estonia: 1918-1942, Birth and Disappearance of a Country” Randy Tuuri	
VERMEIL: “Russian Revolutionary Overprints”	George Shalimoff
VERMEIL: “Taxi Post and Haifa Messenger Service in Palestine, 1947-1948” Richard Kandel	
SILVER: “Halowe’en Cards”	Dennis Hassler
SILVER: “Portuguese Philately: Second Quarter 1898”	Nigel Moriarty
SILVER-BRONZE: “Non-Redundant Usages of the Brown Kookaburra”	Nigel Moriarty
SILVER-BRONZE: “World’s First Kookaburra Stamp Design”	Nigel Moriarty
SILVER-BRONZE: “Rembrandt: Paintings, Etchings and Drawings”	Albert Muller
COURT OF HONOR:	
“The ‘Post Obitum’ Official Seal of 1877”	Bill Barlow, Jr.
“The Canoe in Pacific Island Culture”	David McNamee

Panel of Judges: David McNamee (Chair) and Vesma Grinfelds

UPCOMING STAMP SHOWS

SACAPEX 2008

November 1-2, 2008

Scottish Rite Temple
6151 H St. (H at Carlson)
Sacramento

Contact: Dean Carl
spswebmaster@comcast.net

Website: <http://sps.nfshost.com/index.html>

PENPEX 2008

December 6-7 2008

Redwood City Community Activities Center
1400 Roosevelt Ave.
Redwood City, CA 94061

Contact: PENPEX
Email: PENPEXredwoodcity@yahoo.com
Website: <http://www.penpex.org>,

FILATELIC FIESTA 2009

January 30, 31 and February 1, 2009

Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
Gateway Hall
San Jose, CA

Contact: Steven Schumann
(510) 785-4794
Email: sdsch@earthlink.net

Website: <http://www.filatelicfiesta.org>

FRESPEX 2009

March 14-15, 2009

Veteran's Memorial Building
5th St. and Hughes Ave.
Clovis, CA

Contact: Arthur Olney
(559) 431-0910
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WESTPEX 2008

April 24-26, 2009

San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel
1800 Old Bayshore Highway
Burlingame, CA 95501

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Website: <http://www.westpex.com/>

CLUB LISTINGS

For a complete listing of the CNCPS member clubs, please visit the club page on the CNCPS website at:

<http://www.norcalstamps.org/clubs.html>

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NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

SACAPEX

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Sacramento

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2008
12:00 PM

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