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THANK YOU RON BIELL



On behalf of the of the Officers and Committee Chairs, Vesma Grinfelds, President of the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies, extends a heart felt thank you to out going *Council Courier* editor, Ron Biell, for his three and a half years of hard work and dedication. Ron put together a great looking newsletter that captured the stamp scene in Northern California. Ron agreed to become the "acting" editor back in March 2005. *CC* Volume 3, Issue 1, dated April 2005 was Ron's first issue. Volume 6, Issue 4, dated October 2008 was his last issue. Due to additional demands of work and family life, Ron reluctantly decided it was time to pass the responsibilities of the newsletter to another editor. Ron remains active in northern California philately as stamp dealer, Euro-Asian Stamps, and as a member of the San Francisco area chapter of the China Stamp Society. ❧

WELCOME DARYL REIBER

Vesma Grinfelds is pleased to welcome, Daryl Reiber, as the new editor of the *Council Courier* editor. Daryl's first issue starts with this current issue. Sometimes known as Mr. Ethiopia, Daryl began exhibiting in 2001. He has participated in 50+ shows and is a certified Northern California judge. He is a member of the APS, Collectors Club San Francisco, American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors, and the Ethiopian Philatelic Society. In addition to maintaining his own website dedicated to Ethiopian postal history, he was the editor of the Sacramento Philatelic Society newsletter for a year and a half. ❧



REMINDER - DON'T FORGET ME ...

I would like to include items of interest from your stamp club and your club's philatelic activities in future editions of the *Council Courier*. So ... don't forget to send a copy of your club newsletter and/or any additional information about your club's activities to me at: Daryl Reiber 820 41st Street, Sacramento, CA 95819-2747 or email me at dreiber@surewest.net. ❧

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



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WINEPEX 2008: ANOTHER GREAT SHOW

The Redwood Empire Collectors Club hosted its annual Winepex exhibition and bourse show at the Marin Center in San Rafael, California on October 3-5, 2008.

On Saturday night, 49 people attended the Winepex awards banquet. Due to the last minute closure of the popular Hilltop Café in Novato, the meal was held at the Petaluma Senior Center.

Chemist turned comedian, George Shalimoff, was on hand as maestro of ceremonies. He warmed up the crowd with his famed vaudeville *shlap-shtick* and presented the awards with his usual *savoir-faire*.



Winepex Palmares

Grand Award

Vesma Grinfelds

The First Stamp of Latvia: Printed on Maps

Gold

David McNamee

*Focus on the Holes: Tasmania's Private
Perfins*

Vesma Grinfelds

The First Stamp of Latvia: Printed on Maps

Vermeil

Bob Rawlins

The Tragedy of the USS Maine

Bob Rawlins

Invalid Stamps on Naval Covers

UPCOMING
SHOWS
NOVAPEX
7-8 MAR
FRESEX
14-15 MAR
WESTPEX
24-26 APR

Winepex is a very unusual show as it features only one frame exhibits. Sixteen top notch one frame exhibits were on display covering virtually every corner of the world. Europe, Australia, North America, Asia, and the Middle East were well represented by the exhibitors. In addition to seasoned exhibitors, a Novice Award, a one year membership in the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitor's was given to Mr. Frank Lorch for his exhibit titled, *Mourning Covers*.

In addition to the exhibits, thirteen top notch dealers were present offering treasures and temptations for any collecting tastes. As always, Winepex offered a youth area and sales of materials for the benefit of the club.

WINEPEX 2008: ANOTHER GREAT SHOW CONTINUED

Bob Dyer*Newfoundland's 1897 one-cent red Queen Victoria Stamp*Henry Marquez*Lima 1821-1858 – Pre-Philately of the Republican Period***Silver**

Dennis Hassler

*Mongolia - Overview 1860-1940*Bill Lenarz*Chilean Port Facilities at the Turn of the 20th Century*Larry Crain*Colombia's Beneficencia de Cundinamarca set of 1944*Richard Kandel*Taxi Post & Haifa Messenger Service in Palestine 1947-48*Don Scott*Illustrated mail from Petaluma 1856-1908*Kurt Schau*1915 San Francisco Panama Pacific Exposition or "I have tickets to the Exposition, where do I stay?"*Paul Schumacher*The Presidents of Congress***Bronze**Frank Lorch*Mourning Covers*Jean Kasper*Hummingbirds, Man and Culture*Alvin Eckert*U.S. Navy Patrol Frigates of World War II***RECC Award #1**Bob Rawlins*The Tragedy of the USS Maine***RECC Award #2**Bob Dyer*Newfoundland's 1897 one-cent red Queen Victoria Stamp***RECC Award #3**Bob Rawlins*Invalid Stamps on Naval Covers***Novice Award**Frank Lorch*Mourning Covers*

Novapex 2009
7-8 March

Senior Citizen
Center
2290 Benton
Drive
Redding, CA

10 - 5 Sat
10 - 4 Sun

Awards Dinner
at the Sailing
Boat Restau-
rant

Frespex2009
14-15 March

Veterans Me-
morial Bldg.
453 Hughes
Ave.
Clovis, CA

10 - 6 Sat
10 - 4 Sun

Awards Dinner
at the VMB

Westpex2009
24-26 April

SF Airport
Marriott Hotel
So. SF, CA

10-6 Fri
10 - 6 Sat
10 - 4 Sun

Awards Dinner
at the Marriott

STAMP COUNTRY QUIZ

Test your knowledge about these ob-
scure stamp issuing countries. Answers
are on page five.

1. Banat-Bacska....

- A. An island of Indonesia
- B. Former district of Hungary
- C. City in Poland

2. Caso.....

- A. One of the Italian Aegean Island
- B. Once part of White Russia
- C. An island of Peru

3. Dedegach.....

- A. Scottish city
- B. An early Russian city-state
- C. Seaport in Thrace

4. Eastern Rumelia..

- A. German city
- B. Turkish territory in southern Bulgaria
- C. Russian city

5. Iraklion.....

- A. British administrative territory in cen-
tral Crete
- B. City in Iraq
- C. Russian city

6. Memel.....

- A. German territory in the Sahara
- B. Part of Eastern Prussia
- C. Seaport
on the Baltic Sea

7. Romagna.....

- A. Section of Romania
- B. Province of the Papal States
- C. Disputed German territory

8. Saseno.....

- A. An Italian-African colony
- B. Albanian Island in the Strait of
Otranto
- C. Prussian city

9. Simi.....

- A. Italian Aegean Island
- B. Spanish protectorate
- C. German-Italian territory

10. Vilnius.....

- A. City in Estonia
- B. The capital of Lithuania
- C. Bulgarian territory



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