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SPECIAL PRE-WESTPEX ISSUE

Once again, WESTPEX is almost upon us. WESTPEX will be held from April 29 to May 1, 2011 at the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel, 1800 Old Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, CA.

There will be special events starting on Wednesday, April 27.

Guest societies for WESTPEX 2011 include the International Society for Portuguese Philately, the Confederate Stamp Alliance, and Sports Philatelists International.

For a complete list of events, go to the WESTPEX website at:

<http://www.westpex.com>

COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Council Meeting at 1:00 PM on Sunday, May 1 in Room 4096.

On the agenda will be nominations for Council officers.

COLLECTORS CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO DINNER, APRIL 27

The Collectors Club of San Francisco will have a special WESTPEX dinner at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, April 27 in the Vineyard Dining Room.

The featured speaker is Karl Louis, Managing Director of Corinphila Auctions.

For a flyer and reservation form, please see page 3 of this issue.

COUNCIL 2011 MEETING SCHEDULE

- 1 PM May 1st:
Burlingame,
WESTPEX,
Room 4096
- October: Walnut Creek,
EBCC Show
- December: Redwood
City, PENPEX

COUNCIL COURIER RESUMES PUBLICATION

After a hiatus, publication of this newsletter is resuming. Many thanks to Daryl Reiber for redesigning the layout of the Council Courier and his efforts in publishing it. The previous editor, Ron Biell, is resuming work on the Council Courier.

You can contact me via email at: rbiell-dsl@sbcglobal.net

BILL BARLOW WINS CHALONER AWARD

At the December meeting of the Collectors Club of San Francisco, Bill Barlow received the Chaloner Award for his outstanding service to philately. Bill's activities are almost too numerous to mention, including serving as President of the CCSF, Chairman of the East Bay Collectors Club show, many projects at WESTPEX, and varied other achievements.



From left to right: Council President David McNamee, Past President Vesma Grinfelds, and Bill Barlow

Collectors Club of San Francisco Dinner at WESTPEX 2011

Guest Speaker: Karl Louis
In Future What Will Inspire Philately?
An Examination of its Past and Future

Karl Louis is managing director of Corinphila Auctions; An expertizer with the BPP (Bund Philatelistischer Prüfer e. V. / Association of Philatelic Examiners, a German expertizing organization); and AIEP (Association Internationale des Experts en Philatélie / International Association of Philatelic Experts); a Fellow of the RPSL, and member of the Collectors Club of New York.

Karl developed an incredible and widely utilized database containing over 60,000 Great Britain entries and has made many contributions as a scholar and author to the *Fakes Forgeries Experts Journal*; the FgGB (Forschungsgemeinschaft Grossbritannien e. V., a group of Great Britain collectors based in Germany), the GBPS (Great Britain Philatelic Society); and others. Details about his expertizing services can be found at his website:

http://www.gb-stamps.de/start_e.html

Anyone wishing to stay at the SFO Marriott can ask for a special WESTPEX hotel rate of \$113.00 plus tax. For reservation call (800) 228-9290 and mention Group Code: WPXWPXA or the WESTPEX Show rate. Any questions, please visit the WESTPEX web site: www.westpex.org

Location: **San Francisco Airport Marriott --- In the Vineyard private dining room**
1800 Old Bayshore Highway
Burlingame, CA 94010
Phone: 650-692-9100

Wednesday April 27, 2011: 6:00 PM, no host cocktails, dinner at 6:30 pm

Menu

Local Garden House Salad

Grilled French Breast of Chicken -or- Salmon La Plancha
Wild mushroom/Goat Cheese Polenta & Seasonal Vegetables

Raspberry Pannacotta
Starbucks Coffee & Tea

\$51.00 per person (sales tax and gratuities included)

Your reservation(s) must be received by **April 20, 2011**, along with your check made payable to: "Judy Jarvis."

Mail to: Collectors Club of San Francisco

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Cut off this portion and include it with your reservation

Name(s): _____

Main Course selection: Chicken _____ Salmon _____

Please reserve _____ dinner(s) @ \$51.00 per person.

Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies
Minutes of 11/6/10

The 3rd meeting for 2010 of the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies was called to order by President David McNamee at 12:07 pm on November 6, 2010 in Sacramento. All current officers were present as well as representatives from 6 clubs. The minutes of the Reno meeting in August were dispensed with as a lack of quorum precluded any business.

President David McNamee announced that he had received resignations from Bill Lenarz, Council Secretary, effective 19 October, and Frank Scudero, Council Treasurer, effective 4 November. The President may make appointments to fill vacancies on the Board, and anyone having a desire to serve the Council can apply for either of these positions. Immediate Past president Vesma Grinfelds has signing authority over the checking account, and temporarily the Council will manage that way. President David McNamee and VP Daryl Reiber should be added to the account as soon as practical.

The Secretary position being vacant, notes of this meeting will be kept by the President with assistance from Vesma Grinfelds.

David McNamee distributed a spreadsheet prepared by the Treasurer showing that 2 of 35 member clubs had still not paid their dues. There is some doubt if these clubs are viable; however, discussion supported retaining them in the roster in order to promote philately, in spite of their failure to contribute their dues. Also distributed was the most recent Treasurer's Report for the period ending 11/4/2010.

Vice President and *Council Courier* Daryl Reiber announced that the next issue would be forthcoming in two weeks. He stated that he had a lot of information compiled since the last issue in February.

The Judges Committee made its report. We are in the process of filling slots for the coming year. We have one new judge and one new apprentice, and we are always looking for more apprentices to train as philatelic judges.

The Awards Committee made its report. Vesma Grinfelds showed off the new Holmsten Award plaque, to be engraved with the name of the winner of the Grand Award at the designated Council Show (SACAPEX this year). The Chaloner Award recipient has also been selected, and that will be announced in due time.

The Frames Committee gave a report on the state of the frames noting some water damage has taken place at an unknown time and place. Plastic sheeting has been purchased and placed in the supplies box to protect them in future during rainstorms.

President David McNamee appointed Vesma Grinfelds and Daryl Reiber to the Nominating Committee as well as himself. The nominations are open to any member of a Club Member, including self-nominations. Daryl will see that appropriate coverage is published in the *Council Courier*. Nominations close at the October Meeting 2011 (EBCC Show) and elections take place at the December meeting 2011 (PENPEX).

A general announcement was made concerning the attempt to restart COALPEX and the need for a show in June on our annual schedule.

The next meeting is scheduled for the WESTPEX show at 1:00 pm on Sunday, May 1, 2011. Subsequent 2011 meetings will be at the EBCC show and PENPEX, specific dates and times to be announced.

SACAPEX and the Sacramento Philatelic Society were thanked for their hospitality in hosting the Council meeting. The EBCC Show in October 2011 was chosen as the designated Council show for next year. The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 pm.

David McNamee, President
Vesma Grinfelds, Immediate Past President

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UPCOMING CLUB SHOWS FOR 2011

WESTPEX

Apr. 29 - May 1, 2011 San Francisco Airport Marriott, Burlingame

<http://www.westpex.com>

GREATER RENO STAMP SHOW

Aug. 20-21 National Bowling Stadium

<http://home.earthlink.net/~renostamp/id6.html>

HUMBOLDT STAMP SHOW

Sept. 24-25 Eureka

WINEPEX (Redwood Empire)

Oct. San Rafael

EAST BAY COLLECTORS CLUB

Oct .22-23 Walnut Creek Civic Center

SACAPEX

Nov. 5-6 Sacramento

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

FILATELIC FIESTA

Nov. 11-13 Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, San Jose

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

PENPEX

Dec. 3-4 Redwood City

<http://www.penpex.org/>

A MESSAGE FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

The Council functions as a body that represents the collective interests of all stamp clubs, stamp shows, philatelic specialty groups, and all of their members in our region, which covers Northern California, Southern Oregon and Northern Nevada. It is important that all Council Members have a voice in how things should be done.

I encourage you to **write Letters to the Editor**, Ron Biell, or **email me** at dmcnamee@aol.com and give us your thoughts. This is an election year, and in December you will elect a new President and a full slate of Officers. I encourage each Council Member to **consider running for Council office** or volunteering on Council committees. If you think you would like to serve the Council as an elected officer, you need to email Vesma Grinfelds at dzvesma@sprintmail.com or email me with your interests. Vesma and I serve as the Nominating Committee for the 2011 Council election.

Thank you for letting me be of service,

David McNamee



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