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## SEQUOIA STAMP CLUB CELEBRATES 65TH ANNIVERSARY

On September 26th the Sequoia Stamp Club celebrated its 65th anniversary with a special meeting. Over 45 members and guests got together to celebrate the occasion, view photos of the club's early days, reminisce with the old timers, and enjoy refreshments.

A special anniversary yearbook and newly designed membership pin were distributed to all members with the first recipient being Bill Moll, the only living charter member. Ten lucky members won door prizes and will have a \$10 credit toward their next purchase in either the silent or live auction

In September of 1947, a small group of enthusiastic stamp collectors met in Redwood City's Fire House No. 2 and formed the Sequoia Stamp Club. Sixty-five years later the club is still going strong. A continuing interest in philately and stimulating club programs have resulted in an increase to a current membership of 116 individuals, plus an additional 38 youth members. Members enjoy a well-rounded philatelic program, including guest speakers, member presentations, swap meets, and live auctions; and enjoyable social events such as an annual picnic, a pizza party, and a holiday celebration.

The club also sponsors an annual Stamp Show, PENPEX, which is held in the Redwood City Community Center during the first weekend in December.

The Sequoia Stamp Club is proud of its heritage and also of its current successes. The club meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month at 7:15 p.m. at the Community Activity Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City. Refreshments are served, and visitors are always welcome. You can check out the club website at: [www.penpex.org](http://www.penpex.org) or email us at: [sequoiastampclub@yahoo.com](mailto:sequoiastampclub@yahoo.com).

### EBCC SHOW TO BE HELD OCTOBER 27-28

The annual East Bay Collectors Club Show will be held on October 27-28 at:

Civic Center Assembly Hall  
1375 Civic Drive,  
Walnut Creek CA

#### COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

- EBCC Show: Sunday, October 28, 1:00 PM
- PENPEX, Sunday December 2, 1:00 PM
- WESTPEX: Sunday April 29, 2013, 11:30 AM, Room 5096

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

The CNCPS would like to promote philately and to provide a good educational experience to exhibitors. At the WESTPEX 2012 meeting, it was decided that in order to provide feedback to improve the quality of the exhibits, exhibitors would be getting written feedback if they do not attend the show, unless they opt-out. The local shows will use the national UEEF (Uniform Exhibit Evaluation Form), which can be downloaded from the website (<http://stamps.org/Manual-and-Scoresheets>) or they may choose to develop their own local form.

Please e-mail me at: [akthem@pacbell.net](mailto:akthem@pacbell.net) if you have any item that you wish to be included at the next council meeting on October 28 at the EBCC show. I look forward to seeing you.

Akthem Al-Manaseer CNCPS President

### **SACAPEX — NOVEMBER 3-4**

SACAPEX will be held on November 3-4, for more information, see the SACAPEX website at <http://sps.nfshost.com/events.html>

### **FILATELIC FIESTA — NOVEMBER 9-11**

Filatellic Fiesta will be held November 9-11 Santa Clara County Fairgrounds - 344 Tully Road, San Jose, CA. For more information, see the website at <http://www.filatelicfiesta.org>

### **PENPEX SHOW TO BE HELD DECEMBER 1-2**

The annual PENPEX Show will be held on December 1-2 at:

Community Center  
1400 Roosevelt Ave.  
Redwood City, CA

## **MINUTES OF WESTPEX CNCPS MEETING**

*Attending: Akthem al-Manaseer, David McNamee, Vesma Grinfelds, Ron Biell, Ed Laveroni, Randy Tuuri, Tim Burgess, Gale Hamilton , Martin Feibusch, Paul von Gottfried*

President, Akthem al-Manaseer, presided over the April 29, 2012 meeting at WESTPEX which was called to order at 1:00PM.

### Election and Reports:

1. David McNamee moved and Tim Burgess seconded the motion that Akthem al-Manaseer (interim President) and Ed Laveroni be nominated as President and Vice President for the next 2 years. Motion carried.
2. The approval of Minutes from the December meeting at PENPEX was dispensed with.
3. Treasurers Report: David McNamee reported that the Council has a "break-even" status currently. All Club dues have been paid.

### Old Business:

By-Laws changes are addressed at the December meeting at PENPEX were not received. Therefore, Ed Laveroni was appointed to help with reviewing the current By-Laws and Constitution. Paul von Gottfried will assist. The key question to be resolved is: in what manner to deal with non-paying Clubs. The current By-Laws have no solution. A deadline of September 28 was set for this task. This would be the date 30 days prior to the Council's next meeting.

### New Business :

1. Tim Burgess approached the subject of jury members providing written feedback to exhibitors. David McNamee made the following motion:
  - It shall be the policy of the Council that Council judges are required to provide written critiques to exhibitors who cannot attend the Show. If the exhibitors are present at the event and receive an oral critique, a written critique is not necessary. Then, the objective of the jury has been met.
  - It shall be suggested that Council Shows should provide a box on entry forms for exhibitors to check if they DO NOT wish to receive feedback.

**MINUTES (continued)**

The motion was carried and shall go into effect at the EBCC show in the fall of 2012. The default form shall be the UEEF as provided by the APS. No scores shall be given.

2. Vesma Grinfelds proposed an idea to have a competition between Council Clubs. Each Club would be allotted 1 frame to be filled with single PAGE displays (basically, a Show and Tell with participation from Club members.
3. The competition for the Holmsten Award shall take place at PENPEX in December 2012.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Vesma Grinfelds, Secretary

**SOPEX 2012 PALMARES**

GRAND AWARD & APS Certificate & Gold  
Vesma Grinfelds, "Postmarks Along Postal Routes within Latvian  
Territory of Livonia, 1800 - 1859"

PRESIDENT'S AWARD, U.S. Stamp Society medal & vermeil  
Bob Grosch, "The Rest of the Story"

**S.O.P.S. CLUB TROPHIES:**

BRYAN CACHET COVER TROPHY, ATA certificate & gold  
Nancy L. Swan, "Japan's Quasi-National Park"

**STERTON POSTCARD TROPHY, AAPE pin and vermeil**

Anne Harris, "European Ladies with Horses, artist signed postcards, 1901-1940"

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**SOPEX PALMARES (continued)**

**SMITH MEMORIAL TROPHY & vermeil**

Nick Follansbee, "The Aden States"

**CARLEY CUP & silver**

Larry Crain, "U.S. Post Offices named El Dorado"

**PATTERSON POSTAL HISTORY TROPHY & silver**

Leonard Lukens, "Medford, Oregon Postmarks"

**DISPLAY AWARD & silver**

*Jim Gandee, "Marriage of Communications: Postage & Radio (USA)"*

**NOVICE AWARD & silver**

*Ron Williams, "Great Britain: Two Pence & Half Penny"*

**HERBERT TOPICAL TROPHY & bronze**

Larry Crain, "Stamp Shapes: Arcs & Curves"

**ATA American Unit Certificate & bronze**

Nancy Swan, "21st Annual Air Race Classic, Evanston, WY"

**NW Federation Thunderbird Medal & bronze**

Jim Gandee, "Marriage of Communications: Postage & Radio (Worldwide)"

**YOUTH EXHIBITS:**

Geneva Varga WE medal and vermeil for "Birds of the World" Jeffrey Varga bronze for "Aviation History"

## **WESTPEX STAMP SHOW**

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### Call for Exhibits

Cool water may be a strange theme for a stamp show, but it should not dampen an exhibitor from participating in the 53rd annual WESTPEX Stamp Show April 26-28, 2013. The three-day event is held at the San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront Hotel, 1800 Old Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, CA, one mile south of the SF International Airport.

The open exhibition of more than 300 frames will also include exhibits from members of the guest groups, the Germany Philatelic Society, the Society for Czechoslovak Philately, and the International Federation of Aero-Philatelic Societies Congress. This is a World Series of Philately exhibition with the Grand Award winner eligible for the annual Champion of Champions event of the American Philatelic Society. The exhibition also includes the Pillage Trophy competition between the air-mail societies of the USA and Great Britain, six one-frame exhibits from each country.

Judges for the exhibition include John Hotchner (jury chairman), Santiago Cruz, Jerry Miller, Dan Warren, Patrick Walters, and William Fort.

The prospectus and entry forms are available from Ross Towle, 400 Clayton Street, San Francisco, CA 94194-117 or at the website [www.westpex.org](http://www.westpex.org).

Continuing its tradition of a local theme, this year's WESTPEX show commemorates the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Hetch Hetchy water system, which provides fresh water from the Sierra Nevada mountains for the residents of the greater San Francisco Bay Area. A special Cinderella souvenir sheet will be available at the show.

Seventy-six national and international dealers will fill the bourse, along with a Schuyler Rumsey Auctions of San Francisco, beginning April 25. Numerous specialty societies, clubs and study groups will hold more than fifty meetings and seminars, open to all.

The WESTPEX sponsored Youth Area has free stamps and supplies for young collectors, along with a Boy Scout Merit Badge program on Sunday. Or complete details of events, schedules, hotel and dinner reservations, visit the website at [www.westpex.org](http://www.westpex.org).



**GREATER RENO STAMP AND COVER SHOW PALMARES**

**Grand and Gold**

Richard Dreiling

**Gold**

*German Third Reich Kinder Kartes*

Stan Cronwall

**Vermeil**

*The Condor Legion and the Blue Division*

Stan Cronwall

**Silver**

*DDR (Deutsche Democratic Republic) World War II Remembrance and Memorial  
Issues*

Stan Cronwall

*The First Residents of Northwest Nevada*

Richard Dreiling

*The Race to the Moon*

Richard Dreiling

*The Chinese New Year*

Jean E. Johnson

**Silver-Bronze**

*Atlantic Flights*

Frank Fey

*Philatelic Phun and Profit: A New Paradigm phor Stamp Collecting*

Nadiah Beekun

*USPO and USPS Stamps and Souvenir Sheets Commemorating Philatelic Exhibi-  
tions*

Robert Martin

also

Novice Award

**Silver State Challenge Gold**

*The Penguin – Fact and Fiction*

Terri Edwards

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## **UPCOMING CLUB SHOWS FOR 2012**

### **EBCC**

October 27-28                      Walnut Creek

### **SACAPEX**

November 3-4                      Sacramento

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### **FILATELIC FIESTA**

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### **PENPEX**

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