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## PENPEX SHOW, DECEMBER 7-8

The 2013 PENPEX show is two weeks away. Activities will include a CNCPS meeting, stamp collecting workshops, a silent auction, youth stamp collecting activities and a Boy Scout Stamp Collecting Merit Badge workshop. PENPEX is held at the following location:

Community Activities Building  
1400 Roosevelt Ave  
Redwood City, CA

For detailed information on the show, go to the PENPEX website at:

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

### COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

- PENPEX Sunday  
December 8, 2013,  
1:00 p.m.
- WESTPEX: Sunday  
April 27, 2014 12:00  
p.m.

## SELECTION OF OFFICERS AT PENPEX MEETING

There will be an election for the CNCPS officers at the PENPEX meeting.

For information on the nominations, officers who will remain in their current positions, and so on, please see the Minutes of the EBCC show meeting on page 4 of this issue.

The minutes of the last two Council meetings can be found on pages 3-5.

## FRESPEX 2014 STAMP SHOW

FRESPEX, sponsored by the Fresno Philatelic Society, will be held on March 8-9, 2014: The show theme is Fresno Bicycle Mail.

Time: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 pm. on Sunday

Location: Veterans Memorial Building, 453 Hughes Ave., Clovis, CA 93612

The show features free admission and parking, judged exhibits and club exhibits, door prizes, cacheted show envelopes, and a beginner's corner.

For more information, contact the Publicity Chairman, Dick Richardson, at [starstamps@thegrid.net](mailto:starstamps@thegrid.net).

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Please join me to congratulate Bob Grosch our new Council Judge.

We had a very proactive meeting on October 27, 2013 at the EBCC. At the meeting the Apprentice Judge Evaluation Form, developed by David McNamee and Tim Burgess, was discussed and approved.

Our next council meeting will be on Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at PENPEX 2013. Election for the coming year council officers will be conducted at the meeting. We hope you can attend.

Please send me an e-mail or call me if you have any thoughts or questions that you wish to be discussed at the next council meeting.

Akthem Al-Manaseer CNCPS President

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### **WELCOME TO OUR NEW COUNCIL COURIER EDITOR**

Please join me in welcome in welcoming David McNamee as the new Editor of the *Council Courier*.

David is a highly respected judge at major philatelic exhibits, longtime officer for the CNCPS, and in addition, he is a great editor. For many years he has edited the *Informer* — the journal of the Society of Australian Specialist/Oceania — a truly excellent publication. David has been extremely helpful to me in providing information for the *Council Courier*, and in proofreading copy for the issues. I know the *Courier* will be in very capable hands.

Due to an increasingly burdensome workload on my day job, I do not have the “bandwidth” as we say in technical jargon, to produce the *Council Courier* on a reliable schedule. Thanks to David for stepping up to take over the Editor position. It has been a pleasure working with the club members and officers over the past few years to produce the publication.

Ron Biell, Outgoing Council Courier Editor

**CNCPS MEETING MINUTES**  
**WESTPEX, April 28, 2013**

*Attending: Akthem Al-Manaseer David McNamee Larry Crain Vesma Grinfelds  
Randy Tuuri Tim Burgess Gayle Hamilton Paul von Gottfried  
Kristin Patterson Stan Cronwall Daryl Reiber Craig Butterworth*

*President, Akthem al-Manaseer, presided over the April 28, 2013 meeting at WESTPEX which was called to order at 12:05 PM.*

**Minutes:**

*The minutes of the December 2012 PENPEX meeting were accepted as corrected with typographical and spacing corrections. David McNamee moved and Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

**Treasurer's Report:**

*David McNamee reported that there is \$4047.99 banked. Three clubs have not paid their dues and have been sent a reminder postcard (Alameda, Fresno and Mendocino Coast). David will attempt contacting them one more time before these Clubs are put on suspension.*

**New Business:**

- 1) Copies of the proposed By-Laws changes were distributed to those present and have been posted on the Council web-site. Vesma Grinfelds moved that the By-Laws be accepted as revised. Randy Tuuri seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (12-0).*
- 2) Akthem will speak with Gary Jensen to see if he wishes to carry on as Youth Coordinator. If needed, he will appoint a new Chairman.*
- 3) A Nominating Committee also need be formed. David, Vesma and Tim were appointed to the Committee.*
- 4) Kristin Patterson, Chairman of PENPEX, present PENPEX 2012 Reserve Grand winner with his "revised" award.*
- 5) The "Apprentice Judge Evaluation Form" was discussed. The purpose of this form is for the Council to be assured that an apprentice juror is sufficiently prepared. An apprentice judge is required to judge at 3 Council Shows with the Chief Judge filling out the evaluation form and returning it to the Jury Coordinator. Clear requirements need be created as to what is required of an apprentice judge. Also, the process for review need be established and explained. David made a motion and Larry seconded the motion to accept the "Apprentice Judge Evaluation" form as created. The motion was carried unanimously.*
- 6) Tim Burgess noted that judges have been assigned for all Shows for the year. Next year, SOPEX will need 2 Council judges as it is unlikely that one will be available from the Northwest Federation.*
- 7) The next Council meeting shall be held at the East Bay Collectors Club Show in Walnut Creek. The slate of officers for the next 2 year term need be established by this meeting.*
- 8) Vesma Grinfelds brought up the idea of having a "Stamp Day" where an assortment of speakers, presentations and auctions might take place. Perhaps June would be a good time for this activity?*
- 9) Gayle Hamilton announced that the San Leandro Stamp Club will be celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in June!*
- 10) Paul von Gottfried noted that the Santa Rosa Stamp Club is in its 2<sup>nd</sup> year and gaining members!*

**Adjournment:**

*The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Vesma Grinfelds, Secretary*

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## **CNCPS MEETING MINUTES** **EBCC, October 27, 2013**

*Attending: Akthem Al-Manaseer David McNamee Larry Crain Vesma Grinfelds  
Gayle Hamilton Assad Sobkey*

*President, Akthem al-Manaseer, presided over the October 27, 2013 meeting at EBCC which was called to order at 1:00 PM.*

### **Minutes:**

*The minutes of the April 2013 WESTPEX meeting were accepted as corrected with typographical name corrections. The motion to accept the minutes as corrected was approved unanimously.*

### **Treasurer's Report:**

*David McNamee presented the CNCPS Financial Statements. To date, the Mendocino and Napa Clubs have not paid their dues. With the 2014 dues statement, they will be reminded that their Club is in arrears. The CNCPS policy is that Clubs are no longer members if their dues are unpaid for 2 years. He also suggested that the East Bay Collectors Club be compensated for the \$100 rental fee they paid for the meeting room at this venue. That motion passed unanimously and David will issue the check to the EBCC.*

*The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously as presented.*

### **New Business:**

*1) The Apprentice Judge Evaluation Form has been developed by David McNamee and Tim Burgess. The purpose of the form is to insure that apprentice judges are aware of their duties and responsibilities. The Form provides, in written form, assurance that the expectation of an apprentice judge has been met. The Chief Judge completes the form with every assignment and submits the form to the Jury Coordinator.*

*It was agreed that the Jury Coordinator, Council President and a third party (a qualified judge) will review the accumulated 3 forms for an apprentice (as provided by each Chief Juror) for accreditation of the new Juror. Acceptance of the new Juror shall be a collective decision. Any complaints about any Council Juror shall be brought to this same group. This shall be known as the Accreditation Committee. It was moved by Vesma Grinfelds and seconded that the Apprentice Judge Evaluation Form along with its expectations and procedures be adopted and put to use. The motion carried unanimously. Bob Grosch was welcomed as our newest Council judge having met all expectations of an apprentice judge.*

*Len Lukens, an accredited juror with the North West Federation would like to become a CNCPS judge. He will be contacted and asked to do a "trial" judging assignment, along with the 2 accredited Council Judges.*

*2) The Nominating Committee reported that both the current President (Akthem Al-Manaseer) and Vice President (Larry Crain) wish to retain their positions. Nigel Moriarty has agreed to have his name on the slate for Treasurer. Gayle Hamilton may wish to assume the position of Secretary. Jim Busse has also expressed some interest in a position.*

*3) David McNamee volunteered to produce and publish the "Courier" starting in 2014! Ron Biell is overtaxed with job related responsibilities.*

*4) The Chaloner Award Committee was appointed. It will consist of: David McNamee, Bill Barlow and Roy Teixeira (last year's recipient).*

*5) David McNamee was "congratulated" for being the new CANEJ Chairman – he is now in charge of all APS judges in the USA.*

**MINUTES OF CNCPS MEETING**  
**EBCC SHOW, (continued)**

6) *News from SOPEX: Larry Crain announced that another North West Confederation judge may be available for the event. If so, only 1 Council judge would need to make the trip to Medford.*

7) *Akthem noted that the list of Council judges need be reviewed. It was suggested that Tim Burgess, Jury Coordinator ask the current list of judges if they plan on accepting an assignment in the next 2 years. Some judges on the list have not judged any event in the past 5 years.*

8) *Jim Dempsey has agreed to Chair and Underwrite COALPEX to be held either the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week-end of June 2014. This would be the return of COAPEX after a 3 year hiatus; David McNamee is willing to be in charge of the exhibits, awards, publicity and other tasks along with other volunteers. The dealers are eager to have an event at that time of year at the same Walnut Creek venue since there are no Bay Area stamp events for 5 months before and after that time.*

*David will contact the city of Walnut Creek to check for dates. Nine dealers have already agreed verbally to Jim Dempsey who feels he can get more dealers to participate. A final answer should be pending in a few weeks. Details shall be forthcoming at the next Council meeting to be held at PENPEX in December.*

9) *Larry Crain asked if there was an update to the Council hosting a "Philatelic Day" as was discussed at the previous WESTPEX meeting. There was no update.*

**Adjournment:**

*The meeting was adjourned promptly at 2:00 PM.*

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Vesma Grinfelds, Secretary*

## NEVADA STAMP STUDY SOCIETY WINS SILVER AWARD IN APS WEBSITE COMPETITION



The Nevada Stamp Study Society won Silver in the 2013 APS Chapter and Affiliates Web Site competition. NSSS was among five Silver medal winners in the second annual APS Chapter and Affiliates Web Site Competition. A total of 27 websites were submitted for judging in one of three classes -- club/society, stamp show, or combination.

The NSSS website was entered for both stamp show and club/society. All were judged in a variety of categories, including content, structure and navigation, visual design, functionality, and interoperability, with points awarded in each category.

## GREATER RENO STAMP AND COVER SHOW PALMARES

August 17-18, 2013, Reno, Nevada

Judges: David McNamee and Vesma Grinfelds

### Grand, Holmsten Award and Gold

*An Engineering Victory of the First Order: Hoover Dam*  
**Terri Edwards**

### Gold and People's Choice

*Under Pressure, Submarines and Crew*  
**Harvey Edwards**

*The Penguin - Fact and Fiction*

**Terri Edwards**

### Vermeil

*Reno, Nevada*  
**Richard Dreiling**

*The Chinese New Year*

**Jean E. Johnson**

### Silver Bronze

*Treasures and Trash from a Stamp Store*  
**Nadiyah Beekun**

### Single-Frame Grand and Gold

*The Fort Sumter Issue of 1961: A Commemorative in Conflict*  
**David M. Frye**

### Silver

*Postal Boo Boos*  
**Frank Fey**

### Bronze

*Naval Career of Joseph N. Hemphill*  
**Mike Potter**

*USPOD and USPS Stamps and Souvenir Sheets  
Commemorating International Philatelic Exhibitions*  
**Robert Martin**

## **Filatelic Fiesta 2013 Palmares**

November 10, 2013

**Filatelic Fiesta 2013 Jury Members:** Tim Burgess Concord, CA; Michael Dixon Portland, OR; Roger Quimby Alpharetta, GA; Allan Warren, Jury Chairman Exton, PA

### **Filatelic Fiesta Grand Award**

Behruz  
Nassre-Esfahani

Persia 1902 Provisional Typeset Issue of Teheran

### **Filatelic Fiesta Reserve Grand Award**

Lester C. Lanphear, III U. S. Departmentals, 1873-1884

### **Filatelic Fiesta Single Frame Grand Award**

Uttam Reddy The World's First Official Aerial Post, 1911

### **AAPE Youth Grand Award**

Adam Mangold Building a Nation... One Step at a Time

### **MULTI-FRAME EXHIBITS**

#### **Gold**

Henry Marquez Peru 1896-1930

K. Joe Youssefi The Meched (Persia) 1902 Postmaster Provisional Issue  
Lester C. Lanphear, III U. S. Departmentals, 1873-1884

Don David Price U.S. Bicolor Postage Issues of 1869, 1873, & 1901  
Adam Mangold Building a Nation... One Step at a Time

K. David Steidley Uses of the 1 cent Franklin, Series of 1902

Behruz

Nassre-Esfahani

Persia 1902 Provisional Typeset Issue of Teheran

Ross Marshall World Cruise of the RMS Franconia

#### **Vermeil**

Steve Shay Mail To And From The U.S. Navy Via Airmail, 1918-1941

Dennis Hassler California Express Companies 1849-1895

John Hunt Revenue Stamped Paper (Papel Sellado) of the Spanish Administration of  
the Philippines 1705-1899

Joe Ross Revenues of Afghanistan 1871-1975

Ross Marshall Germany Foreign Postal Rates July 1, 1922-December 31, 1923

#### **Silver**

Allen Klein U.S.S. Macon Lost at Sea-The Nation Mourns

Randy Tuuri Estonia- Postal Rate Study 1918-1941



**Filatellic Fiesta Palmares (continued)**

**Silver Bronze**

Jean S. Johnson Chinese New Year

**Bronze**

David Miller History of WWII as told in Stamps

**SINGLE FRAME EXHIBITS**

**Gold**

Jack Thompson A Brief History of U. S. Military Station No.1-Santiago, Cuba 1898  
Don David Price "The Jenny" ( Printing Variations of America's First Airmail Stamp )  
George Krieger Imperial British East Africa Company Post Stationery  
George Krieger Queen Victoria Issue of British East Africa Protectorate 1896-1902  
Uttam Reddy The World's First Official Aerial Post, 1911

**Silver**

Ross Marshall Austria- Inflation 1918-1924  
George Krieger German East Africa during WWI  
Allen Klein Old Ironsides Unofficial Yorktown First Day Covers  
Yavuz Corapcioglu Postal Stationery of the Autonomous Government of Western Thrace  
Ross Marshall Poland Postage Due 1919 30 value Plate Study

**SPONSORED AWARDS**

**APS Medal of Excellence Pre 1900**

Lester C. Lanphear, III U. S. Departmentals, 1873-1884

**APS Medal of Excellence 1900-1940**

Behruz  
Nassre-Esfahani  
Persia 1902 Provisional Typeset Issue of Teheran

**APS Medal of Excellence 1940-1980**

Steve Shay Mail To And From The U.S. Navy Via Airmail, 1918-1941

**APS Research Award**

K. Joe Youssefi The Meched (Persia) 1902 Postmaster Provisional Issue

**American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Award of Honor**

Allen Klein Old Ironsides Unofficial Yorktown First Day Covers

**Filatelic Fiesta Palmares (continued)**

**American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Creativity Award**

Ross Marshall World Cruise of the RMS Franconia

**American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Title Page Excellence**

Don David Price "The Jenny" ( Printing Variations of America's First Airmail Stamp )

**American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Novice Award**

David Miller History of WWII as told in Stamps

**American Philatelic Congress Award**

K. Joe Youssefi The Meched (Persia) 1902 Postmaster Provisional Issue

**American Topical Association, Youth Award**

Adam Mangold Building a Nation... One Step at a Time

**Collectors Club of Chicago Philatelic Exhibitor's Award**

Henry Marquez Peru 1896-1930

**George Krieger Award of Merit**

Ross Marshall World Cruise of the RMS Franconia

**Germany Philatelic Society**

Ross Marshall Germany Foreign Postal Rates July 1, 1922-December 31, 1923

**Lighthouse Stamp Society**

Steve Shay Mail To And From The U.S. Navy Via Airmail, 1918-1941

**Military Postal History Society**

Jack Thompson A Brief History of U. S. Military Station No.1-Santiago, Cuba 1898

**Rossica Special Award**

Randy Tuuri Estonia- Postal Rate Study 1918-1941

**Steve and Cathy Schumann Award of Merit**

K. David Steidley Uses of the 1 cent Franklin, Series of 1902

**U.S. Classic Philatelic Society Medal**

Lester C. Lanphear, III U. S. Departmentals, 1873-1884

**U.S. Stamp Society Statue of Freedom Award**

Don David Price U.S. Bicolor Postage Issues of 1869, 1873, & 1901

**Women Exhibitors Sterling Achievement Award**

Jean S. Johnson Chinese New Year

**NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS**

San Jose Stamp Club  
Welcome to our Stamp Show

## **Paul Glass Awarded APS 50-Year Medallion**

Paul Glass grew up in St. Paul, Minnesota. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1960 with a degree in Political Science. Following graduation, he served in the U.S. Air Force for 26 years, retiring in 1986 as a Lt. Colonel. While in the military, Mr. Glass earned a degree in Languages from Yale University, a degree in History from the University of Maryland, and a Masters Degree in Business from the Air Force Institute of Technology.

Following his military service, Mr. Glass worked for the County of San Bernardino, California, retiring in 2002 as the Chief of Engineering and Operations for the County's Waste System Division.

Mr. Glass has been a collector since the fourth grade and has interests in the U.S., Canada, and the U.N. Currently, he is concentrating on the classic worldwide stamp issues (1840-1940). He is a life member of the American Philatelic Society (APS), and a member of the Board of Directors of the International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors.

He is an active member of the Nevada Stamp Study Society in Sparks, Nevada. He serves on the Board of Directors and Committee for the annual Greater Reno Stamp & C over Show. From 2007 to 2011, he held the office of Treasurer. Mr. Glass is certified as a Boy Scout Merit Badge counselor and is the liaison to the APS for the local chapter. And just to keep a little busy Mr. Glass is listed in the APS estate advisory directory. He presented a local stamp club program last fall outlining the qualifications and duties to help family and heirs with stamp collection decisions.

In July, Paul Glass received his APS 50-year medallion at a meeting of the Nevada Stamp Study Society. The group picture was taken at the July 27 meeting with 29 members being present.

The Nevada Stamp Study Society meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturday from 10 a.m. to about noon. An auction is held at the first meeting of the month with up to 60 items on display. The second meeting of the month is consignment sales and an educational program. In January, a new website was established which received a Silver award in the 2013 APS web site competition for combined club/society and stamp show.

Visit the Nevada Stamp Study Society at <http://renostamp.org>.



## **An Engineering Victory of the First Order: Hoover Dam**

*By Terri Edwards*



After winning the Holmsten Award at the Greater Reno Stamp and Cover show, I was asked to write a story about my Hoover Dam post card exhibit. I'd like to tell you about why I chose that subject, why real photo post cards, and how I put it together.

I am an employee of the Bureau of Reclamation and I actually had the opportunity to work at Hoover Dam for about four years. Every work day I made the 70-second ride down and minute and 10 second ride up the elevators (a fact relayed to the tourists everyday) to and from the top of the dam to the powerhouse.

I walked along the gallery (tunnel) built through the dam to reach the powerhouse. I saw the giant turbines on both sides of the river. I felt the powerhouse shake as turbines were started and stopped. I've been inside the scroll cage of turbine – the lower level where the water comes in to turn the giant turbine and generate electricity. I've walked inside one of the 50-foot diameter diversion tunnels when it was opened up for maintenance. I've been to Stoney Gate at the end of the diversion tunnel. And I've stood on the ramp of the powerhouse and looked back on the dam. It truly is "an engineering victory of the first order" as Franklin Roosevelt described in his dedication speech, but also majestic and grand..

Why real photo post cards? That was an easy one. Although there are plenty of linen post cards from there of construction, I wanted something that reflected the reality of the time. The Bureau of Reclamation documented the monumental construction project with black and white photos many of which were turned into real photo post cards. It just seemed like a simple, yet elegant way to present the dam.

Although I spent four years at the dam, and I pretty much knew the history and politics surrounding why the dam was built, I didn't know the details of construction. Low and behold, the Bureau of Reclamation has megabytes worth of information on its website. I also found a book with a compilation of several in-depth stories on the construction, written at the time of construction. Finally, I got a tourist pamphlet printed shortly after completion of the dam. Armed with facts and information, I set about writing my story.

*Terri Edwards (continued)*

The exhibit started as a one-frame exhibit and I used every post card I owned! Over the years, I expanded the exhibit to two frames. I thought there weren't enough post cards to be able to expand it to a third frame and essentially left it alone. One day after stamp club, I thought I'd take a look on line just to see if there were any post cards on sale that I didn't have. Wholly cow! There were enough post cards to fill another frame, all on sale right then — If I won the auctions. Well, I didn't win them all, but I did win enough and Friday morning, right before we left to go set up for the stamp show, I put in the last postcard.

So I will keep looking for post cards – I know there are several out there, since I lost the bids on them. In the mean time, maybe it's time for this exhibit to go to a World Series of Philately show....

### **LONG-TIME COLLECTOR GIL GOODRICH PASSES**

Long-time local collector and active member of Sons In Retirement (SIR), Gil Goodrich passed away recently. Paul was born in 1942 and passed away on May 30, 2013. He was a familiar visitor to local stamp shows and stamp shops, with a briefcase of lots and collections in tow.....From Tim Burgess



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**UPCOMING CLUB SHOWS FOR 2013**

**PENPEX**                      Community Activities Building  
400 Roosevelt Ave  
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December 7-8                <http://www.penpex.org/show/>

**FRESPEX**                      Clovis

March 8-9, 2014            Veterans Memorial Building, 453 Hughes Ave., Clovis, CA 93612

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

**WESTPEX**

April 25-27, 2014        San Francisco Airport Waterfront Marriott, Burlingame

[www.westpex.org](http://www.westpex.org)



NEWS RELEASE

2014 GREATER RENO STAMP & COVER SHOW

Special Award for Best Nevada Themed Philatelic Exhibit

In celebration of the Nevada Sesquicentennial, the Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show will present a special award for the best Nevada themed philatelic exhibit at its 2014 show. The exhibition is open to any collector to exhibit his/her own material providing the entry meets the requirements of the exhibitor prospectus.

The exhibition will be held July 26-27, 2014 at the National Bowling Stadium in downtown Reno. The entire event, including parking, is free. The Exhibitor Prospectus is available directly from [http://www.renostamp.org/show/2014/exhibitor\\_prospectus2014.pdf](http://www.renostamp.org/show/2014/exhibitor_prospectus2014.pdf)

When: Saturday, July 26, 2014 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Sunday, July 27, 2014 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Hall of Fame Museum  
National Bowling Stadium  
300 N. Center Street  
Reno, NV 89501-1129

*The Nevada Stamp Study Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to the study of philately and postal history. The club meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month at 10 a.m. at the Silverada Estates Clubhouse 2301 East Oddie Blvd. in Reno. More information is available from the Society's web page, <http://www.renostamp.org> or send an email to [info@renostamp.org](mailto:info@renostamp.org). You may also request information by writing to the club at P.O. Box 2907, Sparks, NV 89432.*

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