



NSSS MEETS THE 2nd and 4th SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH,  
IN ROOM 203 OF THE PHYSICS BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF  
NEVADA. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

STAMP  
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The Nevada Stamp Study Society completed its annual NEVPEX show in grand style. Being held at the Bally Grand Hotel and in an humungous hall.

NEVPEX was proud to award a grand prize to Leonard Holmstead for his exhibit of U.S. 1861-3¢. The Reserve Grand went to Dr. Joseph Agris, M.D. for his exhibit of Private Vending Machine Coils. 4 Golds, 3 Silvers, 1 Silver-Bronze, and 4 Bronze awards were also given. A fine showing with pure fine silver for the top awards.

According to the dealers, the sales activity was high. As far as I know, none of them went away unhappy.

Our attendance was above normal and all those attending enjoyed the fine outstanding exhibits. The new frames can take a lot of credit for providing a beautiful, coordinated appearance, and balanced out the problems that we encountered this year.

Financially, we experienced some drawbacks, this year, but as successful as we have been in the past, next year will put us back into good status, again. We have had 8 fine shows in a row and we will continue to have them in the future.

Our next project is just around the corner, Reno Air Races. We should be better this year as we have learned the buying habits of the attendees. Last year we sold out of certain items, which we intend to stock heavier this year. As per past years we will need 3 manees or womanees to handle the booth each of the four days. Thurs, Fri, Sat and Sun. You can set your dates now, for the day you would like to help. Bring your lunch if you like, and try to utilize one car. Car passes and personal passes are limited. We will need your support.

The scheduled meeting for Sat. July 26 has been substituted by a garage sale at Ruthe Dreiling's home. July 26 & 27 will be the days for the project. Please bring items to Ruthe's home July 24 or 25, in good working condition. The better the material the easier it will be to sell. All monies earned will be added to the frame fund.

Larry Scott has volunteered to fill the remaining term of Roland Kriel. We thank Larry for his service and know that he will be an asset to the board.

The annual picnic will be held on Aug. 23 at the Rock River park. The exact time will be announced at a later date. Generally, we start at 11 a.m. and end about 3:30 p.m. It depends on the

weather and how much bs will go on. Also, if you like, we might have a bingo party, with philatelic prizes. If you like the idea, let the board know about it.

We still have about 70 frames left for sale. If you know of anyone who might be interested in them, have the person contact NSSF, at our post office box in Sparks, or contact any of the board members. The prices are \$40. each, 5 - 9, \$35. each. 10 or more, \$30. each. They are 6ft. tall and have two showing sides of approx. 36 inches. They hold 12 8 1/2 x 11 in. pages. or 9 of the larger size. They are made of glass and wood, with a bolt securing both sides of the frame. The frames are connected by two pins, fastened to the sides of the frame. They make a sturdy and presentable display unit.

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We have all been exposed to the many terms of philately, perfs, Farley issues, censored mail, hinges, etc., but now and then a new term appears. It is not new, per se, but a term that has been around for awhile, but uncovered from deep dark cell. Here are three of those many that are still waiting to be noticed:

**Changeling:**

This implies that the original color of a stamp has been changed. This may be accidental or brought on by exposure, age or chemical reactions of paper and ink contents. Or it may be the result of a downright deliberate attempt to defraud.

**Cantonal:**

Nickname for stamps issued by the Cantonal Administration of Switzerland between 1843-50. These were succeeded by those of the federal government.

**Carlism:**

Refers to the 1873-5 issue of Spain which was printed by Don Carlos, the self-appointed King. The issues however were only in partial use in Spain.

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**NORWAY:**

1. What means of transportation is shown on a 1963 set?
2. The centenary of the birth of what composer is the subject of the 1943 set of four stamps?

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In an article by Sylvia Porter concerning the investment in postage stamps, she lists five things that should be considered before placing funds into this line of investing. First, rarity; second, demand; third, condition; fourth, errors; and fifth, the economic condition of the country in which the stamps are issued. This information was brought to your attention because the common denominator for collectors, investors, and exhibitors is number 3, condition. No matter the field of philately you are involved with, a stamp in fine condition adds beauty, neatness, and value to your collection.

## NORWAY'S Postal System

How many of you know that Norway's first postmen were the Vikings. The first postal material they delivered was called a 'message stick'. This was a device made of wood and a point of iron or copper. On it was inscribed a message of warning of the approaching enemy. It was thrown, with force into the wall of a home. The recipient was then required to pass it on to his neighbor, in a similar manner.

In 1647, regular postal services began with Henrik Morian having been granted a royal charter to deliver the mails. By 1689, the Danish-Norwegian government centralized its program to Copenhagen.

From the time Norway became an independent kingdom, 1814 until 1846, the administration was transferred to Oslo as part of the Treasury Ministry and later as part of the Ministry of the Interior.

Norwegian parliament dissociated with Sweden in June of 1905. They had been in a union with Sweden in many ways, including postal service. Quite similar with the airways, The Scandinavian Airlines, which exist today.

Norway's first postage stamp was issued on January 1, 1855. It consisted of a printing of 2,018,200 copies. Designed by N.A.H. Zarbell and printed by Chr. Wulfsberg of Oslo, few real unused copies exist today.

Additional services were added as time passed, by the 1870, parcel post was added, then in 1883, the inland money order service began, telegraphic money order service in 1888. Steamship service between Bergen and Newcastle in England was started in 1890. Rail Service via Sweden to continental Europe began in 1871. Airmail service, very limited, began in 1920. Its growth was more extent after World War II.

The bulk of seaports were serviced by ships, which traveled from fjord to fjord. Most of the ships had post offices aboard them. It would seem that their cancels would make a fine collection for exhibiting.

There are some 5000 post offices in Norway, about 14,500 employees and they handle about 1 billion pieces of mail each year.

The familiar "posthorn" issues, first printed in 1871, are still in use today and are believed to be the oldest stamp design still in current use.

New issues and orders for current stamps are handled at Postens Filatelitjeneste, Kirdegarten 20, Oslo 1.

There are about 35 dealers in Norway. Norwegian stamps and related material, the widely outstanding collector's items, are followed by countries of Western Europe.

There are two main societies in Norway, The Norwegian Philatelic Society (Norsk Filatelistforbund). P. O.Box 875, Sentrum, Oslo 1. For topical collectors, there is Norske Motivfilatelist, whose address is Nordterrassen 7, Jar, near Oslo. Visitors are welcome.

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