N.S.S.S.

Presents

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HAPPY NEW YEAR to everyone.

It has been a great 1995. That is past now and cannot be changed. 1996 will be our greatest year, yet. Things we could not accomplish last year we will finish and put on a bigger and better performance in 1996. There will be many new programs to see and many new projects to complete. One of the goals for all members will be to increase our membership. If every three members brought in one member we will increase our membership by %33. Get together and flip a coin to see what part of the member to bring in. The top, middle or bottom. Just be sure that none of the three forgets to bring his or her part.

There has been 3 APS slide shows ordered for 1996 and they are good ones. Those dates will be filled in as will other prearranged programs. This will give the members to provide for the rest of the programs. N.S.S.S will be looking forward to some very interesting and entertaining features from the members. The program and refreshments sheets will be available at the first meeting in Jan. JAN. 13, 1996, AT 10:00 A.M. All meetings will be held at 10 o'clock for the entire year.

The annual Christmas Party was a great success. Better gifts, more excellent food and many gracious and hospitable guests. We had about 25 people in the crowd, which gathered to chat, chew, drink and eat. The place was buzzin from the moment people began to arrive. So, Mark your Calendars for 1996, NOW. It is a great way to end the year.

Our new slate of officers are now in place and we can turn attention to the show later this year. Plans should be in effect as soon as possible. Please be prepared to bring your suggestions to the Jan. 13, meeting.

There has been changes made to the rules for AUCTION BUCKS. The new rules are as follows:

Presenting a program: 50+ Bucks.

50 for presenting the program. 10 to 100 additional Bucks for the quality of the program as judged by the members present. The judging will be on slips of paper and grading will be from 1 to 10. 10 bucks for the average number as determined by the voting by the members. An average 1 vote will get 10 additional Bucks. An average 10 vote will get 100 Bucks. All slips will be filled by the members present and given to the Secretary at the end of the program. The secretary will total the numbers and divide by the number ballots turned in The average number determined will be the final score. The quality of the program should consider:

The subject

The depth of research

The prepartion by the speaker

The originality

With this format the programs will be given an equal rating system. The length of the program should be not less than 10 min. or longer than 30 minutes. The 30 minute programs can be flexible, depending on the subject of the program. Slide shows could go for 35 minutes or so. Also, there may be consideration for 2-10 minute programs at one meeting. We will be trying to give everyone an opportunity to participate.

Refreshments: 80 bucks, this will be divided by the number who provide the refreshments jointly at any one meeting.

Attendance: 5 Bucks.

Auction material: 1 buck for each page provided for the auction. Limit at any one meeting will be 10.

Assisting in a NSSS project. 10 bucks per hour.

The following NO-NOs will now apply:

All donations for the auction will be acquired by AUCTION BUCKS only.PERIOD. No changing horses in the middle of the auction.

Only those auction bucks earned by an individual are valid. No loaning or giving auctions buck to some one else.

The purpose of the Auction Buck Auction is to promote participation by the members. No participation, No Bucks.

The bidding of all items up for auction, will be at 5 Bucks. The money value of the item will have no bearing on the beginning bid. This is NOT an auction based on actual money value, but on participation value.

Well, That's about it for this issue.

25 Auction bucks for the correct answer to the following question. Answers must be in the editor's possession on or before the Jan. 13 meeting.

What U.S.Postal bit of history disappeared on the following date: MAY 20, 1902.

That's all.