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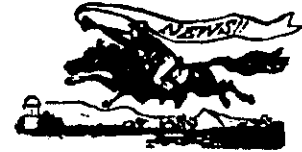
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POST BOY

N.S.S.S.

Presents

The Post Boy

September,

1996

The annual NSSS picnic was held on Aug. 17, 1996. It was a fine outing, being held at Rene St. Pierre's "Ten-Two" restaurant, for about 14 of our members and their guests. Lots of good food and plenty of refreshments. NSSS thanks Rene and Gale for their fine catering of the picnic. They serve very fine dinners at reasonable prices if any of you desire to visit them. Its a nice drive and in a very relaxing surrounding.

Our next meeting will be Sept. 14. Tom Morrissey will provide the program and Ron Schultz will provide the refreshments.

Sept. 28th. Trading session. Bring your philatelic trades and spend the meeting swapping some of your good material with other members of the club. Refreshments will be provided by Ruthe Dreiling.

Oct. 12, the program will be given by Larry Scott and refreshments by Ed Kotsull.

Oct. 26th. The program will be an APS slide show. The title is "Fancy U.S. Cancellations." Refreshments by Phill Cross.

Jack Barriage is under the weather again and a cheerful note to him will help his spirits. Drop him a card. We miss him at our meetings. 1050 Carvin Ct., Sparks, NV 89431.

Ron Schultz is up and running and promises to be at our first meeting in Sept. He will be providing the refreshments for that day.

Catherine Cole has moved to Florida for the winter and to Michigan for the Summer. Catherine was our historian. NSSS would like a volunteer to handle that position. Step forward and relate your desire to serve in that capacity to Al Shay.

General Meeting
Aug. 10, 1996

Meeting was called to order by Pres. Al Shay. This meeting's guests included Paula Armstrong and family from Dayton, NV and Jim Ringer's family.

Rick Sorenson and Chuck Clipper provided the refreshments for the members.

Dick Dreiling discussed the procedures for NSSS mini-auctions as presented in last month's Post-Boy. Various changes were presented by the members and the subject would be brought up at the next board. Revisions would then be made and presented to the members at a later meeting for further revisions, if needed.

The raffle was won by one of the young lady guests.

Dick Dreiling provided the answers for the five questions in the last issue of Post Boy. There will be more of these questions in upcoming issues. They will help you develop a better knowledge of philately or stamp collecting.

N.S.S.S. has a new member. His name is Kenneth F. Bethman. While other clubs seem to experience a decline in membership, N.S.S.S. is in a growing status. We welcome Ken to our organization.

There were several items left over from NEVPEX to be used in the mini-auctions. Some were donated by a retired stamp dealer from Minden and several were donated by the U.S. Post Office. We thank them for these philatelic items.

Al Shay announced there will be a board meeting after today's meeting.

The mini-auction were held under those very talented auctioneers, Dick Dreiling, Al Shay and Ed Hartley.

Meeting closed at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted by:

C. William Brew, Secretary, N.S.S.S.

Board Meeting, N.S.S.S.
Aug. 10, 1996

Meeting was called to order by Al Shay.

Those present were Al Shay, Kay Williams, Dr. John Sande, Roy Zimmerman, and Jim Ringer. Guests were Dick Dreiling, Ruthe Dreiling and Ed Hartley.

Rules for holding auctions at the club meetings were discussed. Dick Dreiling will make up a new revised edition. This will be presented to the members at a later meeting. It was noted that the Board could vote for the revisions, but will be presented to the members for support.

It was noted that there has been an increase in junior members and Roy Zimmerman mentioned that a junior advisor may be needed to help them in their stamp work.

The finance chairwoman reported N.S.S.S. has \$535.00 in its account.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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C. William Brew, Secretary, N.S.S.S.

Here is a question for you that will be worth 25 auction bucks.

What state has never flown under a foreign flag?

It is not a philatelic question, but it does make for a good history one. Give your answer to the editor at the next meeting.

The following questions were provided by our own Philatelic Expert Dick Dreiling. Provide him with the correct answers at the next meeting and you will receive 10 auction bucks for each correct answer from the editor. These are True or False questions. You can only be 50% wrong on each question.

1. The stamps of England are the only stamps on a cover bearing a cancellation from Germany. This cover indicates an error by the German Postal Service.
2. The recent United States stamp issues printed by commercial printing firms are the first United States stamps printed by other than the Bureau of Printing and Engraving.
3. The first recognizable woman to appear on a United States stamp was Martha Washington.
4. Great Britain issued the first adhesive postage stamps in May, 1840. They were not very easy to use, as they had to be cut apart by scissors or other sharp instruments.
5. Person still living, except the reigning monarch of Great Britain, may not appear on the stamps of any country.

There you have it. A chance to pick up 50 more Auction Bucks.

Last but not least.

Here is a tale or story or story tale, as you wish. It concerns the Canadian 12 penny black. Scott No. 3.:

A gentleman and his grandson were having a heated discussion about a loan by the grandfather to the grandson. As the situation became violent, a struggle erupted between the two. The younger man was trying to grab a wooden box from the gentleman. He thought there was a lot of money in the box. In the fury of the fight, the grandfather grabbed the box and threw it through the open window, into the St. Lawrence River. The grandfather was killed and the building caught on fire destroying it.

Many years later a road crew were improving the road in front of this site. During the dredging on the bank, in order to wider the road, the dredge dug up the wooden box. This

was the same one the grandfather had thrown into the water. Upon examination, the finders noticed an envelope with the 12 penny black attached to it. It had not been mailed. Also, the box was so tight and secure in its construction as not to allow water to enter it. What a find. Where the letter's final resting place is not known by this writer. Basically this story is presumed to be true, and as in the history of philately, there are many such interesting tales. This story was published many years ago in the Western Stamp collector, as a drawn picture story. Remember them?

Getting back to the road building crew, I ran across a story from Ontario Canada similar in nature. There were grading and cutting a path for a new road in this area and came across a graveyard consisting of 8' to 10' skeletons. Ancestors of BIG Foot, maybe??

That's all.

Here is an interesting cover. Highway Postal Service. Spark your interest?

