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We are at the end of another year. Time flies when you having fun. We have seen a lot of changes throughout these twelve months. We are out of debt. We could be meeting in a new location, free of charge. We have the junior stamp program starting in the Washoe County School District. We have increased out membership with many active members. Last meeting we had 25 members and 1 guest. This is out of a membership of 37. This amounts to a %68 turnout. A lot of organizations would give anything to have this kind of participation. And it will get better.

The Auction Bucks program will be adjusted to allow more members to enjoy. This will be announced at the first meeting in Jan. You will have the opportunity to give your pro's and con's on this program, at that time.

We have a raffle program in the works. The first prize is a Stained Glass window, crafted and donated by Dick Dreiling. A brand new TV donated by Jim Ringer and a cash prize of \$100.00 donated by George Costello. These are the main prizes of this event. The tickets will sell for \$1.00 each or 8 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held in March.

The Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 6th. It will be held at the Masonic Hall located at 601 West Peckham Lane. It will start with the usual happy hour at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m. After dinner there will the annual gift giving program. Everyone attending the dinner should bring one gift for each member in their party. Mark the gift philatelic, if it is so, or for a woman, for a man and if a child is brought to the party, mark the gift for him or her, personally. The rules for selecting the gifts will be explained at the dinner. We hope that there will be a great turnout for this year. It is a lot of fun and good eats. Let Tom Morrissey know what you intend to bring in the way of food.

*"To promote and enhance the hobby of Stamp Collecting"*

***Please be sure to bring your own tableware. I repeat, bring your own tableware. Also, bring your alcoholic beverages as none will be furnished by the club.***

1998 will see a changing of the position of Secretary and Post Boy Editor. It has been a great time publishing the Post-boy each month for years knows when, but I figure it is time to sit back and put my efforts into other activities. Like writing articles on stamps. There will be some traveling involved, possibly to the Isle of Man, Ireland and other interesting locations in the USA. Also, there will be possibility of moving to a smaller home and everyone knows the problems that entails. So, Good Luck to the new editor and best wishes for the many years of enjoyment that this job provides.

I would like to put a plug in for the *Stamp Collector magazine*. They donated 175 copies of an insert, they recently had in their weekly issue, for our Junior Program. The insert is on the subject of getting started in collecting. They sent them to us free of charge and paid the cost of shipping for them. It is a good magazine to have come to your home and contains excellent articles on philately. It is not bulky and it costs \$34.88 per year for 52 issues.

Question: What is so unusual about the Pilgrim Tercentenary issues? Answer is at the end of this issue.

#### General Meeting

Nov. 11, 1997

Pres. Tom Morrissey opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. There 21 members and 3 guests present.

Roy Zimmerman provided the refreshments.

The Treasurer reported NSSS had \$836.95 in its checking account.

Since Bill Brew is leaving his office of Secretary and other positions, Tom announced NSSS is looking for volunteers to fill the vacancies.

The Christmas Party will be held at the Masonic Hall located on Peckham Lane. Please bring your own tableware and your own bottle, as none can be furnished by the club. Bring a gift for each member in your party. Mark each gift as to male or female and philatelic. In deciding how much food to bring, just bring enough to feed your party plus two other persons. Still, you may have to take some home.

Tom announced a board meeting at the Round Table Pizza on Nov. 21 at 11:30 a.m.

A new roster will be made up of all members that have paid their dues by Aug. 1, 1998. However, if a member is late in paying the dues and does so, he will be reinstated.

It was discussed that all new members be given auction bucks or sold to them for \$1.00 for 100 auction bucks. This will provide money for the club.

It was announced Bruce Perez of Alpha-Omega Frames has a small stamp section in his store and will take consignments.

Al Shay reported on a show at Boomtown. It will be a show around Valentines Day. He stated Boomtown would like to have NSSS put up a stamp show at their location in Verdi. More on that later.

Tom and George put a presentation at the Agnes Risley School, Nov. 11, on stamp collecting. They now have 200 youngsters registered for this program. We thank Mr. Chieu V. Ho for arranging to have this presentation made at the school.

The cash door prize was won by Roy Zimmerman.

Dick Dreiling proceeded to operate the Auction Bucks Auction. Many great items were bought by those present and with the Auction Bucks to bid on them.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted by



C. Wm. Brew, Secretary, NSSS

Board Meeting

Nov. 20, 1997

Tom Morrissey opened the board meeting at 12:00 noon. Those in attendance were Tom Morrissey, George Costello, Jerry Stansfield, Barbara Stansfield, Ed Hartley, Jim Ringer and Bill Brew

The upcoming stamp show, PenPex in Redwood City, CA was noted. It will be held at the Community Center Exhibition Hall.

The Treasurer reported NSSS has \$834.00 in its checking account. A motion, Ed Hartley, to pay the final part of the loan, \$250.00 was discussed. It was seconded by Jim Ringer. It was passed unanimously.

The new location for our meetings, the Sparks Museum, was discussed. All the pros and cons were listed and after some discussion, it was decided to bring the decision to the members of the club.

A time to do the inventory of our assets was stated and it would depend on the time Hugo Havet would be available to allow us to check the garage.]

The Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 6th, Saturday at 6:00 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, located on Peckham Lane.

It was noted that there is too much time taken in the general meetings on business. It was suggested that business would only be held on the first meeting of the month. A small program would follow. At the second meeting a longer program would be available.

The Big Raffle was listed on the agenda and a price of tickets was decided. 8 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each.

Al Shay was appointed to check on the Boomtown show.

Jim Ringer would check into the prices for plaques honoring past presidents.

George Costello discussed the probability of marketing items a souvenir sheet depicting the air races, balloon races, hot august nights, etc.

George and Tom would be meeting with the County on stamp club meeting locations for the Junior program. There will be 4 locations, NE, NW, SE and SW. Busing would be required for these meetings. Vince Squatrito would be the chairman over the pres. of each of the four clubs.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by



C. Wm. Brew, Secretary, NSSS

General Meeting  
Nov. 22, 1997

Meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. with Pres. Tom Morrissey presiding. There were 25 members and one guest. The guest was Frank Fey, who was cordially welcomed to N.S.S.S.

The Treasurer reported NSSS has \$634.15 in its account. Also, the last of the debt to Kay Williams was paid off. NSSS is now in the black.

The new location, in the Sparks Museum, was discussed. All the pros and cons were reviewed. We would have to set up tables and chairs for each meeting. There is no storage area for our coffee pots and etc. However, we will have at our use, a fully accredited post office and areas to display our stamps, etc. Jerry Stanfield proposed a motion to have Tom Morrissey to negotiate a contract with the Museum. After discussion, it was seconded by Ed Hartley. The motion was passed by the members present.

The Big Raffle was presented to the members. The tickets would sell for \$1.00 each or 8 for \$5.00. The drawing would be held in 3 months. The first prize is a stained glass window or panel designed and created by Dick Dreiling. The value is \$350. Other major prizes are a TV donated by Jim Springer, \$100 cash donated by George Costello.

Barbara Stansfield discussed the handling of the Auction Bucks Program. She will hand out Bucks once a month, so keep her informed on your work. An updated list of rules will be forthcoming.

George Costello gave a report on the Junior Stamp Program. This program is really shifting into high gear. There are approximately 200 students desiring to enter into it.

Jim Ringer had 2 books on the Post Offices of Nevada and Nevada cancels. Please contact him if you had ordered one.

The new program for the club will adjust to this. The first meeting of the month would be partly for business discussion and the second meeting would be all on stamp collecting. Members felt that too much time was being used to handle the business in each meeting and consequently were missing discussions and programs on stamp collecting.

The Christmas Partly will be held on Dec. 6 the, Saturday. It will start at 6:00p.m. for the happy hour and dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m.

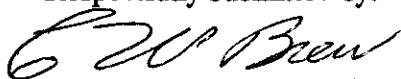
Door prize cash was won by Bill Brew.

The program was given by Jerry Stansfield. The subject was "Nurses on Stamps".. He had a decision to make on how to show them and finally settled by category. He used "Safe" pages and the program Corel draw to produce them. A very interesting display of stamps, 4 panels of 16 pages each, plus a very informative discussion on "Nurses on Stamps"

The mini-auction was held afterwards and out of 45 lots, 24 were sold.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted by:



C. Wm. Brew,  
Secretary, NSSS

Well, we are coming to the end of the year. Christmas is just around the corner.

Answer to question on the Mayflower Stamp;

The Country, (U.S. or United States of America is not on the stamp.) It would make the stamp design too crowded.

The flowers in the panel at the left are hawthorn blossoms, which are known in England as mayflowers. The flowers in the panel at the right are examples of the trailing arbutus, which is the American mayflower.

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EVERYONE A HAPPY AND PLEASANT HOLIDAY. MAY THE JOYS OF THE  
HOLIDAYS RING OUT FOR YOU TO SOUND THE LOVE OF MANKIND, GOOD  
HEALTH AND PROSPERITY.***

