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The Post Boy

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The first meeting for the year 2001, on Jan. 13 was well attended. There were 36 members present. A nice start for the new year.

Dick Dreiling announced there will a board meeting at the second meeting in Jan. Jan 27th to be precise.

Our newest member, **Ken Lippman**, joined at the Jan. 13th meeting. N.S.S.S. extends their welcome in having **Ken** in our fold. He collects U.S. Airmails and Misc. British Countries. Welcome. **Ken**. Also, N.S.S.S. had the pleasure of having 3 new members who joined us at the Jan. 26th meeting. They **Raul Garcia, Ed and Arline Davies**.

Larry Scott was the guest speaker for the last meeting in January and as usual it was very informative. He covered stamps and other items located in the "Back of the Book." Several bits of information that were unknown until **Larry** brought them to our attention. He passed around copies of the various items he discussed. He explained the alphabetical letters assigned to each of the examples that are found in the sections, of many countries, following their regular postal issues. This is a facet of stamp collecting that can be very interesting and economical to assemble. Very good presentation.

At the board meeting, with all members of the board present, **NEVPEX 2001** was the big subject. The location was discussed and **Al Shay** reported the Speakeasy it has been found that **Al** has succeeded in booking the Speakeasy Hotel for June 2nd and 3rd, for the show. Plenty of room for the dealers and our exhibits.

Nadiah Beckun volunteered to be the Publicity Chairwoman. This committee is the most important and needed to be implemented at once.

The name of the show was discussed. **NEVPEX 2001** may not be understood by new collectors that reside in this area. Several names were presented and a final name will be announced at a later date.

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Nadiah, was the Sparks Library. Plans to acquire this location for the months of March and April were approved by the Board and **Nadiah** will work with the Sparks Library.

A questionnaire about NEVPEX 2001 is included with this issue of the Post Boy. Please answer the questions and return to N.S.S.S. as soon as possible.

A simple local show with a few local dealers may be the final format for this year. It will include speakers, free gifts to the Juniors and some door prizes.

With many new members who have not participated in a stamp show over the last 2 years, interest is beginning to grow.

Bill Brew will present a slide program on St. Lucia. "**It's History and It's Stamps,**" at the second meeting in Feb.

Steve Foster will be the guest speaker for the second meeting in March. His subject will be "**Burma and Thailand.**" this will be an interesting subject as very little information has been presented to the club in the past. This will cover the stamps and history of these two nations.

Our April program will be presented by **Tom Morrissey**. The subject will be on one of his greatest interests. "**Unique Covers.**" This has always been a fascinating subject for the members.

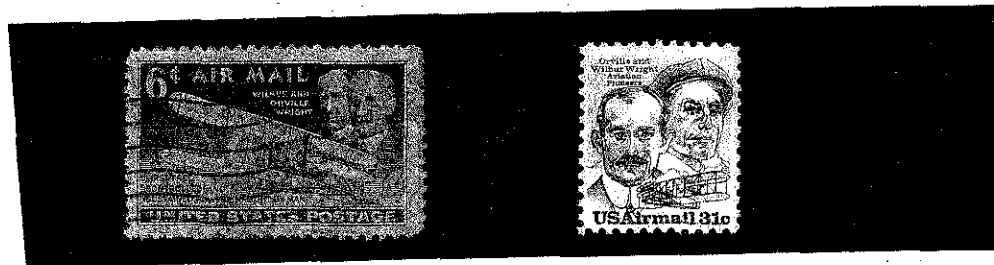
The First Flight

When the first flight was only a thought in man's mind, there were those who desired to investigate the theory of flight. They studied the flight of birds and insects and tried to imitate them, but no one could come up with the answer to how birds fly. Some of the earliest ideas were startling and dangerous, to say the least. Flapping their arms and using motorized contraptions did not produce the results they desired.

It took a couple of bicycle repair men to create the idea of flying a heavier than air machine.

Although, there has been some dispute as to the workable idea, the **Wright Bros.** seems to have the edge on the invention of the airplane. They recognized that wings had to have a slight curve in their structure. This little oversight in previous designs created the necessary lift to raise the plane off the ground. In 1903 the first flight became a reality. It lasted only a few seconds and flew only a short distance of about 150 feet. With success in their hands, Orville and Wilbur Wright continued their development until their plane traveled longer and higher.

In 1936, the U.S.P.O. issued the stamp to commemorate this achievement. SC. # as seen here below. There were several issues by the U.S.P.O. that related to the Wright Brothers achievement. Those stamps are also shown below.



AUCTION BUCKS 2000

The purpose of the Auction Bucks Program is to **involve NSSS Members** into the clubs activities.

The 2000 Auction Buck Auction (Philatelic &/or White Elephants) will be held at the first meeting in November.

You may earn extra bucks by the following these rules embedded for the 2000 year.

1. Providing a New Member.....	200 Bucks
2. New Member (jump start bonus).....	250
3. Providing a Program.....	150 per different subject.
4. Providing refreshments.....	100
5. Selling Door Prize Tickets.....	25
6. Donating Door Prizes.....	5 per item-limit 5 items
7. Providing Auction Items.....	5 per item-limit 6 items
8. Donating Items for the Good of the Club.....	same No. as sold in club meeting.
9. Officers attending board meeting.....	50.
10 Committee Chairpersons attending meetings.....	25.
11. Club members attending meetings.....	5
12. Meeting Room set up/take down.....	5.
13. Helping on the Junior Program.....	10 bucks per hour.
14. Helping on an Organized show.....	10 bucks per hour.
15. Any Club activity (Outside Meeting attendance); Auctioneering, Recording auction sales. Post Office table, Sparks Museum Docent/Vol. 10 bucks per hr.	
16. Providing an original Post Boy Articles.....	200 bucks full page. 100 bucks 1/2 page.
17. Correct Post Boy answers to quiz:	May vary per issue.
18. Penny Box donations.	1 buck per 20 stamps.

Members will be responsible for turning in "Outside Meeting" Activity hour tally to the Auction Buck Chairman. Please count you penny box donations.

Auction Bucks will be distributed monthly.

You may carry Auction Bucks over from a previous years earnings.

Bucks may be used to Buy-Sell-Trade Philatelic Items between Members. You make your own deals.

All items at the Auction Bucks Auction can **ONLY** be Bought with Auction Bucks.

Getting involved in N.S.S.S. Activities is the best way to earn Bucks.

