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This month there are two important items that demands the attention of all of us. The first is the election of new officers, including a new president, treasurer and two board members. The second is the installation of the officers at the annual club picnic in July.

Here are the candidates you have to vote for;

President **Ed Davies**
Terri Edwards
Treasurer **Mike McAuliff**
Board (x2) **Ed Davies**
Paul Glass
Gary Murphy
Mike Potter
Al Shay

Al Shay and **Ed Davies** are incumbent Board members and will run to continue in office. Voting to put these members in office will be on the second meeting in July (on the 23rd) . The new president will preside at the August 13th meeting.

The **NSSS Picnic** will be on **July 30** in Rock Park at noon. Everyone should bring their own utensils. You can bring games if you like. The list will be passed around again at the next meeting with another column asking how many are coming in your group. We need to know how many hamburgers, buns etc. to get.

To get to Rock Park, go south on Rock boulevard from the freeway (I-80). Past Glendale, then past Greg St. the road curves to the left. The park entrance will be on the right, next to the entrance of River's Edge RV park.

This week we had a special treat. **Henry Fisher** (a stamp collector of some 60 years) from Columbus, Ohio was passing through Reno and was kind enough to spend a little time with us at our last meeting. He has a collection of "embossed" revenues that will knock

your socks off. An embossed revenue is a tax stamp that is pressed (stamped) into the paper that is being taxed rather, than, like stamps, a piece of paper that is added to show postage paid. Mr. Fisher enjoyed telling us that he collected "stamps" while the rest of us collected "labels". And right he was. He presented his exhibit of those revenues (it starts with the American Colonies) for our appreciation. If you saw the show and enjoyed it, Let the APS know that it should be a part of their regular exhibits.

Since the June program was taken by our surprise visitor, our regular program will pick up again in July. As a reminder **Ed & Arline** will be doing a short spot on making pages from a disk on the computer. They are donating the disk to the club library so anyone needing pages can make them. Don't forget, if you don't have a computer at home, you have one at the library. The librarians will be glad to help you use the program.

Terri and Harvey are at it again. They entered their exhibits with the ATA (American Topical Association) at the PIPEX in Portland, Oregon. **Terri** received a silver for her **Penguins** as well as the ATA Chapter 5 Incentive Award for new exhibitors and **Harvey** received Vermeil for his **Ships on Stamps**. Nice going, guys! Did you send your exhibits to the ATA show in Milwaukee?

There are two shows in Santa Clara this month on the 21st to 24th. The Santa Clara Stamp club show is at the convention center on 5001 Great America Parkway (cost; \$8.00). Time are; Thurs (the 21st) from 11 am to 7pm, Fri-Sat from 10 am to 7pm and Sun from 10am to 3pm. The ASDA show is at the same address in Hall A, from the 22nd to the 24th. This one is free.

There will be a Show Committee organizing meeting at the end of the regular club meeting on July 9th! Be there or be square. Oh, I forgot. Being stamp collectors, we're already square.

There is an article in the June 13th issue of Linns about the USPS giving freebies to government, labor and postal officials. The list of officials starts with George Bush and goes on from there. The freebies given out consist of a three ring binder containing a pane of stamps and a first day cover for each issue of the year. They are given to each past and present Postmaster General, higher Government officials like the president, vice president, leaders of many important committees, especially those important to the post office and leaders like the minority whip, our own Harry Reid. All in all, over 140 postal and government officials receive an album. Is the post office trying to influence the government? After all, this sort of thing has been going on for a long time and could be called "traditional". Perhaps this practice should have someone look in on it and consider putting a stop to it. Write a letter to Linn's. Tell them what you think. PO Box 29 e-mail; linns@linns.com

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2005 Nevada Stamp Study Society Ballot

This ballot is to be executed on the 23rd day of July, 2005 at the second club meeting for that month. Absentee ballots must be received by that day of balloting. Ballots will be counted at the meeting and installation of the elected officers will take place at the Nevada Stamp Study Society picnic on the 30th day of July, 2005. Write-in candidates must agree to candidacy before the election.

For the office of PRESIDENT of the club (vote for one only);

- Ed Davies**
- Terri Edwards**
- Write-in** _____

For the office of Treasurer;

- Mike McAuliff**
- Don Bacon**

For the office of BOARD OF DIRECTORS (vote for two only);

- Ed Davies**
- Paul Glass**
- Gary Murphy**
- Mike Potter**
- Al Shay**
- Write-in** _____

When you have made your selections, please fold the ballot and return it to the Nomination and Election Committee.

<http://www.geocities.com/iswsc1/index.html>



**Collect stamps
of the world!**



ISWCW means; The International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors. Looks like a stamp club to me and that's just what it is. You may not want to join but the site is worthwhile investigating anyway. There is quite a bit to see and a lot of useful information is available to you, for free. But first, learn a little about the club itself. After all, most of us collect World Wide.

On the opening page and below the opening paragraphs is a list of eighteen subjects detailing various aspects of the club. Just click on one of the subjects and read all about it. It starts with "The Society" where it tells you about the reason for its existence and that it began in 1980, that there are over one thousand members from fifty different countries, but mainly that it is fun to collect worldwide. The rest of the subjects are what is available through the club like various types of stamp exchange and sales, a stamp identification service, a translation service and above all youth services. How much does it cost to join? Twelve dollars a year, plus two dollars in the first year only, plus two hundred and fifty stamps every year from all members (except the young'uns) for the youth program. I think the price is right.

OK. So you don't want to join. What about the freebies. It starts out with a Beginner's Book. Its not a long book, just fourteen pages in the first section and another fourteen in the second section, all done in twenty four chapters. It's about the basics. We all need to return to the basics from time to time. Then there's the Bogus Stamp identifier. This is a list of names and descriptions of bogus stamps. How about fourteen pages on Exhibiting Basics? This has pretty good coverage of a difficult subject. Its enough information to get you started with at least a one page exhibit. There are several more "freebies" in this section (on the left side of the screen, by the way), many of them dealing the mundane subjects of bylaws and guestbooks but some of a useful nature.

What's good about this site? It has much to offer by way of philatelic knowledge plus an opportunity to join a club that is of interest to most collectors. Who doesn't collect world wide stamps? This is a chance to associate with other collectors of similar interest from all over the world. Imagine that! A world wide collection of world wide collectors. You will have a chance to support youth programs which help to keep stamp collecting alive for another generation. What's bad about this site? Well, they want your money, but not much of it. I like the site and with a little more exploration of it, I can see myself joining the club.

My Gosh, is summer finally with us? 90 degree temperatures, "thunder bumpers" in the evening and an occasional shower to cool us down. I hope you have a nice table and chair in the back yard sitting under the cherry or peach tree so you have fruit to eat with your iced tea while you solve this puzzle. Should take about ten minutes.

1. What is the name of president Theodore Roosevelt's house that appears on a 1953 stamp?
A) Camp David B) Sagmore Hill C) Hyde Park
2. What animal(s) appears on the stamp honoring the Humane Society?
A) Dog B) Cat C) Dog and cat
3. What is the denomination of the Walt Whitman stamp in the 1940 Famous Americans series?
A) Three cents B) Five cents C) Ten cents
4. What is shown on the New Hampshire stamp of 1955?
A) A mountain and the sea B) The Old Man of the Sea C) The old Man of the Mountain
5. In what city was the HemisFair of 1968 held?
A) Seattle B) San Antonio C) New York
6. What ship is shown on the Four Chaplains issue of 1948?
A) SS Dorchester B) SS Enterprise C) SS Constellation
7. Who is on the twenty two cent value of the 1938 definitives?
A) James A Garfield B) Chester A Arthur C) Grover Cleveland
8. The US issued two stamps for the X Olympiad in 1932. What design is on the blue stamp?
A) Runner B) Discus thrower C) Jumper
9. What color are the windmill stamps in the 1980 booklet?
A) Sepia and yellow B) Mauve and red C) Gray and blue
10. What Revolutionary War patriot is shown on the one cent value of the Louisiana Purchase Stamps of 1904?
A) Thomas Jefferson B) James Monroe C) Robert R. Livingston

Was that easy or what? None of the question were too hard and lots of dates to reference for the answers. Easy hundred.

I was looking for the Alamo stamp issued in 1956 and couldn't find it there. Perhaps if I knew it was a definitive (the nine cent price was the give-away), I might have found it faster. It was with the 1954 definitive issues. There are a couple of interesting questions in this quiz, taking us to places we've never been before.

1. - A) For the small charge of fifteen cents, the mailer kept a copy of the certified receipt while the other receipt was signed upon receipt of the mail and kept by the post office for six months. #FA 1 (and only).

2. - C) # 1196 was issued on April 25, 1962 and is referred to as the Seattle Worlds Fair issue. The fair ran from April 21 to October of that year.

3. - B) They cleaned up the downtown area, created a "river walk" and made the area more attractive to the locals. No, the Alamo is not in Reno but it is in San Antonio. The stamp is part of the Liberty issue of 1954 and is # 1043.

4. - A) Since the end of WWI Memorial Day has also been known as "Poppy Day" for the custom of selling artificial red poppies to aid disabled veterans. it was started by Moina Michael. She is honored on # 977.

5. - B) The canal and the airplane have often been features on airpost stamps of the Canal Zone but this time # C21 to C31 sports a wing and a globe.

6. - A) # UX76 pictures a three masted cutter in full sail plying the American coastal waters. The name of the ship is the "Eagle".

7. - C) "Beat the drum for liberty" it says in the margin. # 1615 shows a drum of the Revolutionary war and is give a denomination of 7.9 cents.

8. - A) This stamp (#1091) celebrates two unrelated events. The International Naval Review and the 350th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown (Virginia built the "Jamestown Festival Park" for this celebration).

9. - A) # UY13 is two cards connected (unsevered), each with postage. The second card is used to reply to the first. George Washington was pictured on the message card and his wife, Martha, was pictured on the reply card.

10. - C) The stamps were printed in 1898 and 1899 but continued to be issued (and used) until the American military left in 1902.

I never knew the US issued reply postcards. But, with the Scott United States Specialized catalog, its another easy hundred bucks.