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November returns and a year has passed since insanity reigned in the stamp club. For the newer members, read on. For the older members, skip the next paragraph.

This first meeting of the month will not bring us any of our usual meeting expectations. There will be no raffle or our regular auction for stamps. New members; when you walk in the door you will find the tables strewn with fanciful objects. There will be some stamp related items but expect items like a microwave egg poacher or a crossword puzzle made out of dried macaroni. Can't tell you what you'll find on this day but bring your Auction Bucks with you because you can spend them on this day. If you don't have them yet, **Betty Mudge** will bring what you have earned for the year and give them to you. You can also bring some, no more than 5, items to give to the cause (cause you don't want them and someone else might) and bid on the ones you want. If you don't have enough to bid with, **Terri Edwards** will be happy to supply you with some for a small fee of \$10.00 (real money) for 500 Auction bucks. Alcoholic beverages may be sold at this auction but may not be brought inside the building so leave it in the car. If you have a bottle to offer, fill out a form describing the item and it will be auctioned from that description and traded outside.

If you're new to all this Auction Bucks stuff and would like to know how to acquire some for your own

wallet, go to page eight where you will find a list of things to do that will make you an Auction Bucks millionaire. Basically, help the club.

This month's "My Favorite" is about "Hippos". No, not that big water animal you may be seeing in your mind right now but "HPOs" or Highway Post Office. This one comes from **Don Garrett**. Thanks, Don.

Next month is the Christmas Party, or as you may prefer, the Holiday Party. It will be held on the 3rd of December at the Masonic Temple, 601 W. Peckham. A map is on page 7. Bring yourself, a guest or two, if you like, a side dish (sign up at the meeting) with silverware and a gift from yourself and each guest. **Dick Dreiling** will cook the turkey and fun will be had by all.

This month's program was a discussion about "buying from online auctions." Leading the discussion was **Harvey Edwards**, **John Walter**, **Steve Foster** and your editor.

SACAPEX will be held on Nov. 6-7 at the Scottish Rite Temple in Sacramento, 6151 "H" Street. Hours are 10-6 and 10-4.

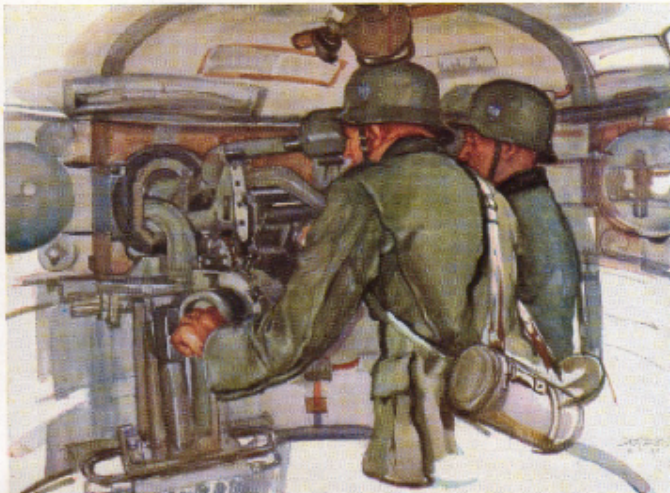
Filatelic Fiesta will be held on Nov 11-13 at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, Gateway Hall, 344 Tully Road, San Jose. Hrs are 10-6 and 10-4, Sun.

PENPEX will be held on Dec. 3-4 at the Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave. in Redwood City, California
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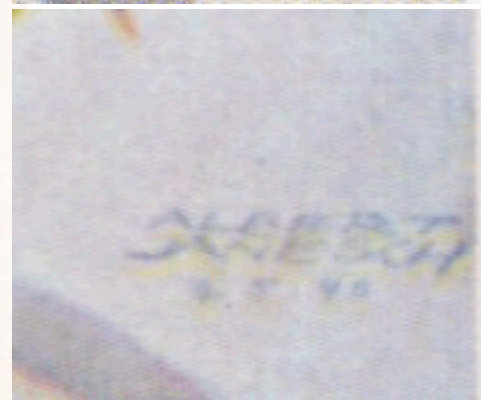
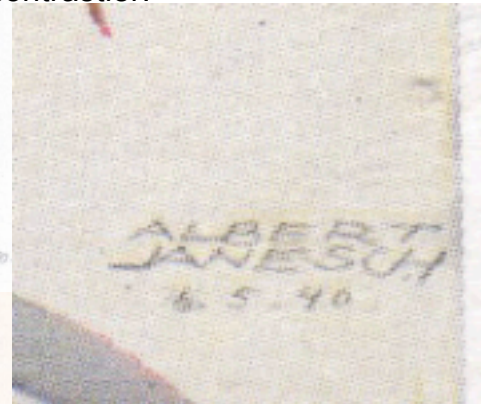
A Hoffmann Postcard from WWII

At first glance it looks like two copies of the same card. The reality is, these two cards are quite different. One is made by Heinrich Hoffmann during the existence of the Third Reich. The other is *claimed* to have been made by Heinrich Hoffmann during the Third Reich. The claim appears to be false.

The card shown below (J-8) depicts the interior of the 6th turret in an Upper Rhine River fortifications at Oberrhein.



The bottom card is a bit lighter than the card on top and though its not apparent, the bottom one is also a little fuzzier, lacks some of the minor details and is a bit contrastier.



Look at the two signatures above on the right side. These are the signatures of the artist who painted the scene. It was painted, probably in watercolor, on May 6, 1940. The Germans write day, month, year unlike our own month, day, year. You can see the signature clearly on the top picture but its almost unreadable on the bottom one. Albert Janesch is the artist. Could you have read that on the bottom picture without the top one to go by? Maybe, but the date could be anything.

There is a small “tank” hanging on the back of the soldier on the left. You may notice a line jutting from the bottom of the tank that is blurred or missing from the tank on the right. Below that there are three lines of print on the back of one card



Professor A. Janesch
Im 6. Scharnturm eines Werkes
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while there are only two on the back of the other and the fonts are different. The top is considerably easier to read than the one on the bottom.

Now, take a look at the center line on the back of

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the card. The one above has a line at either end of the writing while the one below has one at the left side only and again, different fonts and its not quite as clear. It seems obvious that the second card is not the real thing.

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Why all this ado about a possibly fake postcard? Well, the fact is anybody can buy one. Here we have a real postcard sitting next to a card that may not be real. Its easy to spot the differences. What if one of these cards is staring you in the face and you have nothing to compare it to? All of a sudden its not so easy. Both of these cards were bought by Stan Cronwall. He's been collecting them for years. If anyone's an expert, he is and he was fooled because he bought the fake first and didn't have the real thing for comparison. The differences stood out when he sat them next to each other.

This just goes to show you we can all be fooled and knowledge is the best defense but even then, it may not be perfect.

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LOCAL POSTS OF THE WORLD

Seeing that heading makes me want to add “UNITE”. It somehow seems appropriate. This is not a communist site nor is it about unions. Its all about some of those stamps that make you scratch your head in wonder at the stamp or label you have sitting in front of you. The opening page is not very wondrous though. Actually, its kind of boring. No blinking lights, no pictures, no dancing letters. Just a plain gray page with some writing on it. The most exciting is the logo you see above this and that’s just their web address. Ho-hum,

And, there are some links to click on, the first being a website about “Classic Local Stamps.”. It take you to a place where you can see some, well, I’ll bet you can guess.



The stamp (to your left) is actually a link that takes to a page where you can see a larger version of the stamp. I was hoping for a story about the stamp. Still, on this page are a few offerings about local stamp use, including an interesting story of how the folks at Rattlesnake Island (mostly doctors and lawyers and such) received care packages from the people in Hungary. Really nice people those Hungarians.

Another link, “Locals” takes you to a Wikipedia site that shows you an number of locals and offers some explanation of what locals are all about. Next to it is a link called “Carriers” which takes you to a similar Wikipedia page. The next link is to the Local Post Collector’s Society. This groups deals with modern local posts and, if you want to open your own local post they will provide guidance to you. There are also archives and other areas to explore.

In the upper left of the page are other links including an index that goes to the individual local posts of various countries. You have to go through several links to get to each one. The “Archives” link has several interesting stories about local posts such as the “Lady McLeod” issue which sailed between Port of Spain in Trinidad and San Fernando. A last link gives you an opportunity to subscribe to the Atalaya, a “magazine devoted to “Cindrellas, dead country stamps and other philatelic oddities.”

I know I’ve ragged this site a little but I mean it in fun. It is an interesting site, especially if the unusual appeals to you. Even if it doesn’t, I think it deserves a visit if for no other reason than curiosity.

Spain is a marvelous country. I was fortunate to have been stationed there for two years in the early sixties. Franco was in power then and though he was on the side of Hitler, who supplied him with the arms (and uniforms) for his revolution in the thirties, he managed to successfully switch sides after WWII to favor the Allies. The Spaniards were not unhappy at Franco's death in 1975 when power returned to the King (Juan Carlos).

1. What sport is the subject of a 1980 set of two stamps?
A) Bull fighting B) Soccer C) Jai alai
2. The kings and coats of arms of what country are shown on a 1979 set?
A) Austria B) France C) Portugal
3. What South American liberators appear on a 1978 set? Simon Bolivar and;
A) Bernardo O'Higgins. B) Jose de San Martin C) Francisco de Miranda
4. What American is honored on a 1976 stamp?
A) Henry Ford B) Thomas Alva Edison C) Alexander Graham Bell
5. The works of what type craftsmen are shown on a 1975 set?
A) Forging Swords B) Gold smithing C) Fabric making
6. What animal is shown on the issue for the International Stamp Day in 1965?
A) Bull B) Pig C) Rooster
7. What Pope is shown on a 1962 issue?
A) Pope Pius IX B) Pope John XXIII C) Pope John Paul I
8. El Greco's painting of what saint appears on a 1961 stamp?
A) Saint Peter B) Saint Paul C) Saint Theresa
9. By what other name is Charles V known? He appears on a 1958 set.
A) El Santo B) Carlos I C) Valezquez II
10. What was the purpose of the Franchise Stamps of 1869?
A) Postal History B) Carlist publications C) International Stamp Show

Bonus question: Have you seen a painting of the interior of the 6th turret in an Upper Rhine River fortifications at Oberrhein.?

I hope you enjoy your brief stay in Spain as I did mine. Its too bad you can't experience the smells and sounds of the bull fight and Flamenco, as I did.

Did you know that San Marino is the oldest Republic in the World? Its been independent since 300 AD and its real name is "La Serenissima Repubblica di San Marino." Their government consists of 60 elected council members who select 2 leaders to serve for 6 months only and can't be selected again for 3 years. Hmmm.

1. A. According to the Scott catalog San Marino is located in "Eastern Italy, about 20 miles inland from the Adriatic Sea."

2. B In 1952 San Marino issued a set of twelve stamps (#308-319) honoring Cristopher Columbus in the 460th year of the discovery of the Americas..

3. B. In 1861 Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation in praise of San Marino. #433-36 was issued with a picture of that American president along with the text of that proclamation.

4. A. The first commercial automobile built in America was made by the Duryea Motor Wagon Company that was started by two brothers, Charles and Frank. This event is celebrated on #494, issued in 1962.

5. B. The Devine Comedy was a trilogy written by Dante Alighieri in the 14th century between 1308 and 1321. It was most famously illustrated by Gustave Dore' in the 1800s. #s622-25.

6. A. In 1970 San Marino issued a set of stamps (#736-45) picturing many of the characters of the Walt Disney Studios. Walt Disney is pictured on the high value along with a scene from the Jungle Book.

7. C. This one should have been easy if you noticed the question asked for aviation pioneers (plural). It was the Wright Brothers on #C134-36.

8. C. EB1, the only semi-postal special delivery stamp shows a woman walking across the stamp with her left hand partially covering "Croce Rossa Italiana," the Italian Red Cross. A reference to the International Red Cross.

9. A. C130-32 shows a glider to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of gliding in Italy. Each stamp shows a different air current in the background.

10. A. Melvin Jones is the founder of the Lions International and is shown on the 45 lira stamp along with the Lions Headquarters. He died in 1961 and has a memorial in Fort Thomas, Arizona. You can visit the memorial at <http://lions-mjm.org/>

Bonus question. The governor who received a letter through the RPO was governor Jewett W. Adams who served from 1883 to 1887 as seen on the "My Favorite Things" page, with thanks to Stan Cronwall.

The Christmas Party



While this map isn't perfect it is pretty accurate as far as where the streets end. For instance, Clover Way comes up short of Peckham and Peckham doesn't go all the way to Plumas. North is the top of the map and south is the bottom.

The easiest route is Virginia to Peckham to Grant, park the car and have a good time at the party. You can also take Grant, Lakeside or Warren from Moana but not Clover. Baker also reaches all the way to Peckham. If you're on Plumas, go to Moana then Grant and turn right. The party is where the big red **X** is. Don't get lost in the streets south of Peckham.

Have fun at the party and drive safely.

AUCTION BUCKS 2011

The purpose of the Auctions Bucks Program is to involve NSSS members in the club's activities.

The 2011 Auction Bucks Auction (Philatelic and "White Elephant") will be held on 12 Nov, 2011.

You may earn extra Bucks by following these rules ammended for the 1999 year based on member input.

1. Providing a new member----- 200 Bucks
2. New member ("Jump Start" bonus)----- 250 Bucks
3. Providing a program ----- 150 Bucks per subject
4. Providing refreshments ----- 100 Bucks
5. Selling door prize tickets ----- 25 Bucks
6. Donating door prizes ----- 5 Bucks each (limit 5)
7. Providing Auction item----- 5 Bucks each (limit 5)
8. Donated items for the good of the club -----Same # of Bucks as Auction yields
or equal to value of the item
9. Officer's Board meeting----- 50 Bucks
10. Comittee Chair attending meeting----- 25 Bucks
11. Club Member attending meeting----- 10 Bucks
12. Meeting room set up or down----- 5 Bucks each
13. Helping on the youth programs----- 10 Bucks per hour
14. Helping on an organized show----- 10 Bucks per hour
15. Any club activity (except meetings)----- 10 Bucks per hour
16. Providing original Post Boy articles----- 100 Bucks - 1/2 page
(may be edited) One page limit----- 200 Bucks - 1 page
17. Correct Post Boy answers----- Bucks vary per issue
18. Penny box donations----- .02 Bucks per stamp

- Members (that's you) will be responsible for turning in "outside" meeting activities hour values to a "Buck" chairperson. Please count your Penny Box donations too.
- Auction Bucks will be distributed before the Auction Bucks Meeting.
- You may carry Auction Bucks over from a previous year's earnings.
- Bucks may be used to buy or sell philatelic items between members.
- Bucks may be purchased: 500 Bucks for \$10.00 (real Money).

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My Favorite Things

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