

# Post Boy

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**N.S.S.S. MEETS THE 2ND & 4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10:00 AM AT THE SILVERADA ESTATES CLUBHOUSE  
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## Editor's Byline

By Marla Wetterling

We missed seeing everyone at the second meeting this past month. John has been falling recently and we are trying to get him diagnosed to see what is going on. He is having a very difficult time with his mobility and has been using my walker. I am not sure when we will make it to another meeting as he is pretty homebound at this time and is going nuts with cabin fever, so feel free to give him a call and cheer him up.

The first meeting in March we had a really neat presentation from Ed Rajki about "Early Air Mail Navigational Aids/Systems. Ed will be relocating for a new job assignment so this was a real treat.

Ed saw his first "beacon" so to speak as a young man and at that time family members were taking water up to it by horse as the beacon was on top of a hill near Fernley and there was no other way to access it. This building out in the middle of nowhere intrigued him and this began his research into what they are and what they were used for. In short, these were the first navigational beacons which assisted early Airmail Pilots as they flew by line of sight as this predated our current electrical navigational systems.

\*\*\* **Just as a reminder:** If you have extra canned goods/non-perishable foods around your house please bring them to the next meetings as there are some residents who could use a helping hand.

Harvey gave an update on the upcoming show and how we are now part of Artown and the Nevada 150 celebration. Being part of these two events will help get extra publicity to our show and hopefully encourage more people to learn about stamp collecting.

We are still looking for exhibits for the show. So whether you do a large exhibit with multiple frames or you want to submit a few pages to be part of our Favorite Things exhibit your contribution would be greatly appreciated.



**Spring is here or that's what they tell us anyhow!**

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## March 22 Meeting Report

By Post Boy Reporter John Walter



The stamp club meeting on March 22 had 30 members attending with 4 visitors. Our first order of "business" was to celebrate the 90th birthday of Ed Hartley. Ed stated his family left Germany when he was 14 years old. The family's stamp collection was given to a friend for safe keeping and was never seen again. Ed's special collecting area is still Germany.

As part of the Nevada Sesquicentennial celebration, a 5-day Nevada Fair will be held at Fuji Park in Carson City. Fuji Park is close to the COSTCO store by the intersection of Route 395 and Hwy 50 going west to Lake Tahoe. The event will have a rodeo, carnival, livestock show and auction, horse show, arts and crafts, plus much more. The Fair is July 30 to Aug. 3. Further details are at: [www.nv150fair.com](http://www.nv150fair.com) Did I mention the admission is free.

Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show - Harvey announced our group is an official participant in Artown. The Artown booklet of events will be available June 20 and in the Reno Gazette Journal newspaper on June 22. He passed around samples of the possible show cancel and cachet. UNR print center is offering reduced print costs for Artown activities.



***Time to start thinking about club elections for July.*** Offices open this year are: Vice-President and Secretary for 2-year terms, and two Director positions for 3-year terms. There is also the position of Treasurer open for appointment. Terri Edwards is temporarily filling that position.

Stan is still looking for a member to be the Program Chair to coordinate programs for the second meetings of the month.

Nadiah's Classic Nevada Business Services store is now open. She offers stamps, collecting supplies plus business services with copies, faxing and mailing supplies. The new store is located at 28 W. 2nd Street in downtown Reno.

Betty Mudge conducted the meeting raffle with 10 donated prizes with Dick Dreiling winning the 50-50 money of \$14.50.

### New Project:

Dick Dreiling showed a few covers illustrated by Tom Morrissey, a long time member of our stamp club who passed away about 10 years ago. Dick remembers Tom started his cover illustration experience by doodling on old covers and gradually using water color cachets. John Walter asked if the club members could contribute information about Tom to publish an article about his life and covers. John volunteered to scan the Tom Morrissey covers at the meetings.



These are pictures of some Tom Morrissey's covers which are currently for sale on Ebay.

These covers are very neat as they have what look like the official ship cancels from the USS New Orleans (LPH-11,) the USS Independence (CV-62,) and the USS Constellation (CV-64.)





## US Quiz by John Wetterling



1. The Trans-Mississippi Exposition issues came out in what year?  
a. 1890   b. 1893   c. 1898
2. The Columbian Exposition issues came out in what year?  
a. 1890   b. 1893   c. 1900
3. The Kansas-Nebraska overprint issue was issued in what year?  
a. 1900   b. 1919   c. 1929
4. The Mineral Heritage issues were issued in what year?  
a. 1944   b. 1954   c. 1974
5. 22 cent cats issue came out in what year?  
a. 1978   b. 1988   c. 1998
6. The Mars Pathfinder stamp was issued in what year?  
a. 1997   b. 2000   c. 2001
7. The Southeastern Lighthouse stamp series was issued in what year?  
a. 2001   b. 2002   c. 2003
8. The Gulfcoast Lighthouse stamp series was issued in what year?  
a. 2001   b. 2002   c. 2009
9. Space Achievement issue came out in what year?  
a. 1979   b. 1981   c. 1983
10. In what year was the Joan Bassett Moore stamp issued?  
a. 1965-1978   b. 1966-1981   c. 1967-1983?

**(Don't forget to forward your answers to Betty Mudge to get your auction points.)**

# Stamp Shows & Special Events

## REGULAR MEETING SILVERADA ESTATES CLUBHOUSE 2301 ODDIE BLVD., RENO, NV

APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2014  
10:00AM

Auction

APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2014  
10:00AM

Consignment Sales with Presentation

## Stamp Shows

You may retrieve additional stamp show information from the APS website. <http://stamps.org/DisplayPage.aspx?id=64>

April 12-13, 2014

### SOPEX 2014 Stamp Show and Bourse

**Sponsored by:** Southern Oregon Philatelic Society  
**Event Location:** Jackson County Expo, 1 Peninger Lane, Central Point, Oregon 97502  
**Contact:** Jerry Shean, [geraldshean@yahoo.com](mailto:geraldshean@yahoo.com)  
**Phone:** 541-772-5536

April 25-27, 2014

### WESTPEX

**Sponsored by:** WESTPEX, Inc.  
**Event Location:** San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront Hotel, 1800 Old Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, California 94010  
**Contact:** Edward Jarvis, [ejarvis@westpex.com](mailto:ejarvis@westpex.com)  
**Phone:** 415-387-1016  
**Website:** <http://www.westpex.com>  
**More Information:** View show's WSP listing, includes exhibition winner list and future dates.

April 29, 2014

### Roundup Stamp Show

**Sponsored by:** Olympia Philatelic Society  
**Event Location:** Columbia Hall, 6794 Martin Way, E., Lacey, Washington 98516  
**Contact:** Dennis Gelvin, [dnjgelvin@comcast.net](mailto:dnjgelvin@comcast.net)  
**Phone:** 360-273-0296

May 9-11, 2014

Oregon

### PIPEX

**Sponsored by:** Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs  
**Event Location:** [Red Lion Hotel](#) on the River - Jantzen Beach, 909 N. Hayden Island Drive, Portland, Oregon 97217  
**Contact:** Tony Wawruckiewicz, [tonywaw@spiritone.com](mailto:tonywaw@spiritone.com)  
**Phone:** 503-244-8223  
**Website:** <http://www.pipexshow.org>  
**More Information:** View show's WSP listing, includes exhibition winner list and future dates.

May 16-18, 2014

Colorado

### Rocky Mountain Stamp Show (ROMPEX)

**Event Location:** Crown Plaza Denver International Airport Convention Center, John Q. Hammonds Trade Center, Chambers Rd & I-70, Denver, Colorado 80239  
**Contact:** Steve McGill, [GBCC1Colorado@gmail.com](mailto:GBCC1Colorado@gmail.com)  
**Phone:** 303-594-7029  
**Website:** <http://www.rockymountainstampshow.com>  
**More Information:** View show's WSP listing, includes exhibition winner list and future dates.

## 6 Member Spotlight – Dick Dreiling through the years.



I was born in Long Beach, CA. I had Rheumatic Fever at age 6 and spent a year in bed. During that time, I had a visiting school teacher who allowed me to progress at my own speed. As a result, I completed the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and part of the 4th grades during that year. When I was well enough to rejoin regular school classes, the school district wanted to put me in the 4th Grade. Mom refused, saying "He is only 7 years old and cannot compete with the 10 and 11 year olds he would be confronted with. She agreed to allow me to go into the 3rd as a compromise. For this reason, I was a year younger than all my classmates from then on. We moved from California to Reno in the fall of 1947. I turned 17 in April 1956 and graduated from Reno High School in June of the same year. I got a job working for the Sierra Pacific Power Company until a month before my 18th birthday at which time I quit and, after a month's vacation, joined the Navy in April 1957.

In the Navy, after attending Boot Camp at the Naval Recruit Training Center (NRTC) in San Diego, CA, I was assigned to the Naval Air Technical Training Center (NATTC Memphis), Millington, TN, where I became an Aviation Electronics Technician. During my service, I was stationed at NAS Moffett Field, CA, back to NATTC for advanced electronics training, then VF-13 (Fighter Squadron) at NAS Cecil Field, FL deploying to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the USS Shangri La, CVA-38, then to HU-2 (Helicopter Utility Squadron) at Lakehurst, NJ, then back to NATTC for Instructor Training. Out of instructor training, I was assigned to the Naval Air Maintenance Training Group (NAMTRAGRU) detachment at NAS Ream Field, Imperial Beach, CA where I taught helicopter navigation and communication systems maintenance. In 1965, in competition with 3,200 other instructors in the Naval Air Training Command (nationwide), I successfully defeated all to become "Schoolmaster of the Year." Then in 1967, I was advanced to Chief Petty Officer and six months later to Warrant Officer. After Warrant Officer Indoctrination Training at NAS Pensacola, FL, I was assigned as the Avionics Division Officer in VA-27 (Attack Squadron) at NAS Lemoore, CA, deploying aboard the USS Constellation, CVA-64. We made two combat cruises to Viet Nam. On one of the cruises, our commanding officer crash landed at Danang Airbase and I was assigned a crew of troops to go in-country to retrieve all of the usable parts off the downed aircraft as spares were difficult to come by. At the completion of a three year tour, I was transferred to VC-3 (Aviation Composite Squadron) at North Island, CA where I served as Quality Control Officer and Maintenance Officer. We operated jet powered target drones for fleet surface and air gunnery training. At the end of my tour, I was assigned to Aviation Carrier Wing 9 (CVW-9) as the Avionics Officer. My responsibilities were to act as a liaison between the various squadrons and detachments with their support units aboard ship. We deployed aboard the USS Constellation (again) and we made two more combat cruises to Viet Nam. I was next assigned to NAS Alameda, CA where I served as Avionics Division Officer for the Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department (AIMD) responsible for all electronic maintenance performed on systems removed from the local aircraft squadrons. Upon transfer, I was assigned to VP-47 (Patrol Squadron) flying P-3C Orion Anti-submarine warfare aircraft.

I served as the Assistant Maintenance Officer. My final tour of duty was at NAS Fallon, NV where I served as Bachelor Quarters Officer and as Recreation Services Officer (two separate Department Head billets) simultaneously. In June 1987, I was forced to retire (at only age 48) as I was then a CWO-4 (Chief Warrant Officer) and federal law sets a maximum of 30 years service for Warrant Officers. During my career in the Navy, I visited France, Italy, French Morocco, Malta, Sicily, Gibraltar, Spain, Turkey, Greece, Malta, Puerto Rico, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Guam, Singapore, Pakistan and Diego Garcia

My 2nd wife, Dee, and I bought a home in Spanish Springs, north of Sparks, NV. I then went to work for five years with Morrison-Knudsen Services as the Logistics and Services Department Head on their contract operating portions of NAS Fallon. Upon completion of the contract, I was assigned to the home office in Boise, ID writing proposals for other Operations and Maintenance service contracts. Due to a reduction in force, I returned home and operated as a free-lance proposal writer for two more years after which I completely retired.

About age 8, I got interested in stamp collecting from my grandmother. She did not buy stamps from stamp stores, only the post office. She would buy full sheets of each stamp as they came out. I was fascinated by all of the various subjects represented. I began a collection of US stamps as I actually did not realize stamps were being produced by all the rest of the world's countries. My collection was a typical child's collection with little regard to the proper handling and mounting of stamps as neither my grandmother nor I had any idea there was anyone else collecting stamps. As I rose through my teen years, I discovered other collectors among my friends and got interested in US First Day Covers in addition to my US singles collection. With my marriage in 1959, my stamp collecting was put on hold as I was too busy with the Navy and raising a family of two daughters and one son.

After a divorce in 1972, I went back to stamp and cover collecting. While stationed at NAS Alameda, I joined the East Bay Collector's Club and benefitted by having knowledgeable friends and colleagues to help me with my collections, which by that time included mint United Nations Stamps. While stationed at NAS Lemoore during 1975, I made frequent trips to Reno to visit my mother, who was also divorced. One weekend, she pointed out to me that a new club of stamp collectors had formed in Carson City and asked if I wanted to visit a meeting. The Nevada Stamp Study Society had become incorporated in August 1975 and I joined in September of that same year. In the Spring of 1976, NSSS held its first stamp exhibition in the Ormsby County Library in Carson City. I entered my first ever stamp exhibit. It consisted of White Ace pages with a naval border and contained all of the stamps that portrayed the Navy and naval heroes. I have maintained my membership in NSSS continuously since then. I have served several terms as Board member and as President. I was also a member of the APS and American First Day Cover Society.

In 1979, I travelled to New Jersey to invite the American First Day Cover Society to hold one of their annual conventions and exhibitions on the West Coast. They asked if I was willing to host the show. I agreed. In 1981, NSSS held its first national show. The Conservation of Wild Habitat stamps were issued at our show and became the first stamps ever issued in Reno. I was show chairman for that show despite the fact that I was still on active duty with the Navy. I deployed to Misawa, Japan 10 December 1980 and returned on 10 June 1981 with the show occurring on 20 June! My mother handled the duties of Bourse and Exhibit chair and I did all the other tasks, including publicity from Japan. It turned out to be one of the best shows we had ever had. We had First Day Cover and stamp dealers from all over the country in a bourse of about 30 to 40 dealers. We had 200 frames of stamp and FDC exhibits. We then decided to go out and see if we could keep the momentum going and attract additional national shows. We felt that one show every two years would be the most we could handle. As a result, we hosted The American Topical Association twice, an APS Spring Meeting, the Universal Ship Cancellation Society. At each of these shows, we filled 200 frames with exhibits.

From 1981, I was the show chairman for NEVPEX for the next 13 or 14 years. When the club members seemed to lose interest in exhibiting, I decided the club did not want to have stamp shows any longer. There was also some rumbling from a few club members that the only reason we were holding an annual stamp show was because my mother and I wanted them. I then and there resigned from any involvement in producing NSSS stamp shows. I continue to enter exhibits, but will no longer take any other jobs of running the shows. At that time, the show chairmanship shifted over to Harvey and Terri Edwards and they have done a spectacular job reviving the shows. However, I am getting concerned that once more, club members are losing interest in exhibiting and holding annual stamp shows. I would really like to see us get involved in national shows. I think they are good for the club and for the community.

My mother was the manager of the Riverside Hotel from around 1980 until the owner, Pick Hobson, declared bankruptcy, not from the hotel operation, but from excessive losses in the casino portion. During her tenure as manager, she began collecting Riverside Hotel post cards from dealers at our annual stamp show. After she passed away in 1996, I decided in 1999 that Mom's postcard collection should not end and I decided to continue it. That is the beginning of my postcard collecting interests.

When NSSS moved from Carson City, a regular meeting site was located in the meeting room of the Physics Building at UNR. That was courtesy of one of our members, Dr. Sam Goudsmit of the UNR Physics Department. After his death, we continued to meet there for a couple more years, but then the university began 'nickel-diming' us, cost wise, and it was decided we had to find another meeting location. Jim Ringer, an NSSS member was on the Board of Trustees for the Sparks Heritage Museum and arranged for us to meet there for free as long as the club would provide volunteers for the museum. That is when I began my involvement with the Museum. The club met there for a few years, but was forced to find other accommodations as the Museum was using the Changing Gallery for exhibits involving very old and valuable artifacts that could not readily be shoved aside on Saturdays for a meeting. It is unfortunate that the club got insulted when the Museum did not agree to block out the newly remodeled Cultural Center every 2nd and 4th Saturday for the stamp club. NSSS cancelled their membership with the Museum despite the fact that the Museum had supported NSSS with a place to meet for several years.

I have two daughters, one son, four grandsons, one granddaughter, and two great grandsons.

*What I remember most from my contact with Dick, is he is one of the most knowledgeable people in our club and is always there to offer his assistance whether it be a philatelic question or help with the BBQ or the yearly holiday party, where Dick always makes the main dishes which by the way are fantastic. He is an integral part of our stamp club family. This article was done completely by Dick and it was very interesting to read about his life story. We share our Navy experience as I was also a sailor, but not for nearly the amount of years he served. -- Marla*



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*Freedom Isn't Free.  
All Gave Some.      Some Gave All!*



*Show your Colors! Very Cute.*





# ADVERTISEMENTS

If you would like to have an advertisement added to the Post Boy, please either email me [opusnrosebud@att.net](mailto:opusnrosebud@att.net) or bring a written note of your advertisements. In the future, these ads will run for 3 months and we will rotate them amongst our club members. The beginning of every quarter (January, April, July, and October) we will change up the advertisements to ensure that we get as many different ads as possible.

The ads are done on a first come first served basis.

## Duck Stamps Wanted: George Ray

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RW66	RW71
RW67	RW72
RW68	RW75

Prefer mint, also has duplicates.



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## USS Arizona Memorial First Day Ceremony

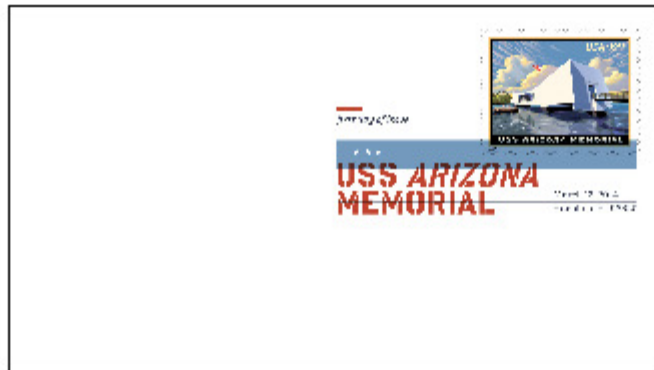
The program for the March 22 meeting was presented by Robert Martin. Robert was in town for a few days and volunteered to tell about his experience attending the first day ceremony for the USS Arizona Memorial stamp. Robert now lives in Maui, Hawaii and flies frequently attending stamp shows, stamp meetings and anything related to stamp collecting.



On March 13, Robert flew from his home to Honolulu to attend the first day ceremony. Arriving about 2 hours before the ceremony was to begin, he was sitting on a bench reading and looking out at Pearl Harbor. He was wearing his Nevada Stamp Study Society name tag with the state outline when he was approached by a park service employee. After talking for a short time Robert was invited on a VIP tour of the Memorial. Included in this VIP group were three Pearl Harbor survivors, the Pearl Harbor Fleet Commander, USPS District Manager, park service personnel and a few others. Robert says he was impressed by the crisp white uniforms of the navy personnel.

The memorial building straddles the USS Arizona. The first day ceremony started at 10:30 with only a small group of people in attendance.

This was the 4th or 5th first day of issue ceremony that Robert has attended over the years. The \$19.99 stamp was issued for the new rate for Priority Mail Express that went into effect on January 26. Robert started to collect FDC "as a little kid." He was a little upset that he had to buy the high cost stamp for the



first day ceremony folder. Usually, the folder and cancelled stamp are free at these ceremonies.

Robert did purchase the First Day Cover with the colored postmark, pictured on the left.

This is the first appearance of the *USS Arizona Memorial* on a U.S. postage stamp.

The ship was bombed during the Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese aerial attack on the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor. The memorial on the site honors the 1,177 sailors

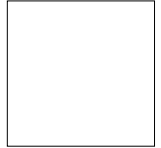
aboard the ship who died in the attack. Designed by architect Alfred Preis, the memorial was dedicated May 30, 1962.

The 100th anniversary of the laying of the ship's keel was in 1913. The USS Arizona had over 25 years of service. When Pearl Harbor was attacked 18 ships were either grounded or damaged and returned to service. Only 2 ships went out of service in the attack - the USS Oklahoma capsized and the USS Arizona sunk in the upright position.

Just an aside - The USS Nevada was the only ship attacked at Pearl Harbor to participate in the 1944 Normandy invasion.

The USS Arizona Memorial stamp was in a pane of 10. Press sheets were also issued with and without die cuts. Each press sheet is priced at \$599.70. The FDC can be purchased for \$20.43. Requests for first-day cancels must be postmarked by May 13 and sent to USS Arizona Memorial Stamp, Postmaster, 3600 Aolele St., Honolulu, HI 96820-9998.

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