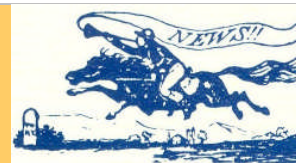


Post Boy



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MEETS THE 2ND & 4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10:00 AM AT THE
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Happy 40th Anniversary

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The Chaloner Memorial Trophy Award



Harvey and Terri Edwards with David McNamee, Council Representative

Harvey and Terri Edwards were the surprise recipients of the Chaloner Award for over a decade involvement as Stamp Show Chair and Exhibit Chair respectively, for the Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show. Harvey also served as a Director, and Terri served as President and Treasurer of NSSS.

The Chaloner Award is presented to philatelists who have made a significant positive contribution to philately in the Council area over a significant time.

The award was presented on behalf of the Council by David McNamee. Harvey & Terri join a select group of philatelists whose names appear on the permanent plaques of the Chaloner trophy. The full list of recipients is on the [Council web site](#). It reads like a Who's Who in Council area philately for more than six decades. **Congratulations!**

August 8 - Annual picnic at the Silverada Estates Clubhouse beginning at 10 a.m. Contact [Barbara Diederichsen](#) to sign up to bring a salad, chips & dips, or condiments. The club will provide drinks, and the meat and buns. A 40th anniversary cake will be the dessert. If there is enough interest, a bourse table can be purchased for \$5 to sell philatelic and even non-philatelic items. Contact [Mike Potter](#) for a sale table. Tables can be set up starting at 9 a.m.

Post Boy Reporter

The July 11 stamp club meeting had 25 members in attendance including **Robert Martin** who came to visit from Hawaii. Robert donated items for the auction which brought in \$56 to the club. Thanks, Robert.

Visiting the meeting was Don and Patty who collect stamps and cut squares, respectively. A former junior member, Brandon Wimbley and his mother, also paid us a visit. Brandon showed his ship collection of stamps & covers he put together in the 1990s. There were many Tom Morrissey cachet covers, which were scanned.

Stan Cronwall announced that **Ed Hartley** is selling his Germany Collection. (A couple of days after the meeting a club member purchased Ed's collection.)

Betty Mudge conducted the raffle drawings with ten prizes. The most serious raffle drawing is the 50-50 money drawing at the end which was won by **Barbara Diederichsen**. It pays to play since Barbara won \$12.50.

Like the last auction, the auctioneers **Stan Cronwall** and **Gary Atkinson** were a tandem team with **George Ray** and **Dick Simmonds** helping organize and distribute the items to the winning bidders. This was one of the most lively auction we had for some months. A total of 40 items were offered and 28 sold (70%) for a total of \$340.

A suggestion from the Post Boy Reporter is for the winning auction bidders to write a short summary explaining why they bought the item, and any story to go along with the item. We could all learn something.

Vassar Post Office Display

Every 6-8 weeks **John Walter** and **Stan Cronwall** visit the Vassar Post Office to change out two display cases with philatelic material and information on our stamp club. The current display was changed the first week in July. The pictures below have to be taken at an angle because the overhead lights produce a strong glare off the page protectors. Even at an angle you get the general impression of the display.



John and Stan are always looking for 4 to 6 pages, on a related topic, for each frame. The area is locked after business hours, and the display cases are locked. It's a great way to display your hobby to the public.

Wanted: Post Boy Editor

The Post Boy is in need of an editor. **John Walter** has volunteered to publish a few issues. A permanent editor is urgently needed. John will be out of town for a month starting in late Sept, so he cannot put together the Post Boy issues for the months October and November.

Early History (1975-1979) of the Nevada Stamp Study Society

Written September 1979 by Post Boy editor Doug Willick

It was just four short years ago that the Nevada Stamp Study Society had its first meeting at the Ormsby Public Library in Carson City. Since that time, we have gone through many changes, had many enjoyable moments together and have solved many of the problems that have arisen.

The first stamp show put on by the NSSS was held at the Ormsby Library on May 15 and 16, 1976. The show winners were **Laura Wilhite**, first place, **Dick Dreiling**, second place and **Emma Vilardi**, third place.

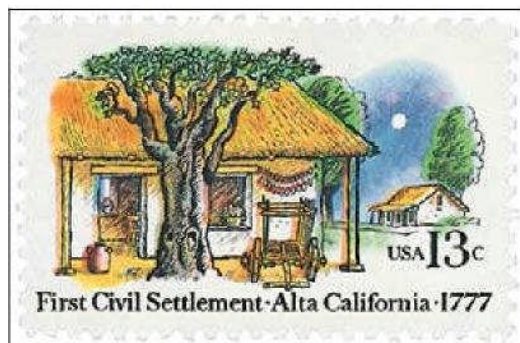
It was in February of 1976 that the logo that you see at the head of the POSTBOY was first used. The cut is from an old Pony Express advertisement and the set up was done by **Peter Blackmore**.

In August of 1976, the NSSS experimented with holding Thursday night meetings as well as the regularly scheduled Saturday meetings. The experiment was soon cancelled after only two months because of lack of interest.

In September 1976 **Tony Amaral** who was the club's first president had to resign because of his move to the Southern California area. **Ruthe Dreiling** served as president pro-tem until the 1977 elections.

The 1977 Spring Show was held at the Carson Community Center in Carson City. The show was highlighted by a Court of Honor display titled "Nevada Postal History" by **Doris Bradley**. Some of the award winners at this show include the following: Gold medals were awarded to **Laura Wilhite**, **Emma Vilardi**, and **Ruthe Dreiling**. Silver medals were awarded to **Steve Martell**, **Doug Willick** and **Wilma White**. Bronze medals were awarded to **Nellie Hastings**, **Russ Thayer**, **Al Greene** and **Dick Dreiling**. The junior award winners at this show were **Tesa Dreiling** and **Jim Connors**. The visitors at this show had a chance to vote for their choice of exhibits and the most popular award was won by **Ruthe Dreiling's** exhibit of "These United States."

The 1977 elections were held in August and **Laura Wilhite** was elected President and **Emma Vilardi** was elected as Secretary-Treasurer. **Charlotte Martin** was appointed to the Board of Directors to fill out the vacancy left by Laura.



In September of 1977 the readers of the POSTBOY received an unexpected bonus. The POSTBOY was mailed in a FDC using the First Civil Settlement in Alta, California stamp. **Dick Dreiling** took all of the POSTBOY's to San Jose where the First Day ceremonies were being held and mailed them out there so they could receive the first day cancellation. Later in the year, Dick also wrote a very nice article on the First Day Ceremonies that were held.

The year of 1978 could be called the "year of changes" since so many changes were made that affected each and every one of us.

The NEVPEX '78 show was held at the Carson Community Center and my files for that period are incomplete so I am unable to report on who the winners at that show were.

In mid 1978 the NSSS went through some trying times and for a period of some six months nothing much was accomplished by the NSSS. Let us hope that that period of time never be repeated because of some hard feelings that are the results of that time when each and every one of us failed to do our duty to the club as a whole.

In September 1978 the NSSS got back on track again and started to operate again. **Laura Wilhite** resigned as President and the Board of Directors asked **Ruthe Dreiling** to again serve as interim president, which she graciously accepted at a very trying time. The Board also decided that future meetings of the NSSS would be held in Reno instead of Carson City. Ruthe arranged for the NSSS to meet at the Riverview Room of the Riverside Hotel and it was a beautiful place. I must acknowledge that the move to Reno did not sit well with

many persons in the Carson City area, but by this time they have now accepted it as fact even though they might not like it.

The POSTBOY again resumed publication of September of 1978.

In November of 1978 the meeting place was moved to the University of Nevada through the actions of **Sam Goudsmit**. This is a beautiful meeting place and we still meet here.

In December of 1978 **Emma Vilardi** had to resign as treasurer for personal reasons and **Maggie Fuji** also resigned as secretary. **Lois Willick** volunteered to take over as secretary-treasurer until the 1979 elections. Throughout, this period of time plans were being made for NEVPEX '79.

The first half of 1979 were mainly concerned with plans for NEVPEX '79.

Addendum - More history from 2006 article: The NSSS has hosted several shows that qualify as national shows, the first being the National Convention of the American First Day Cover Society in 1981. This was the year **Dick Dreiling** started as show chairman. and has been responsible for or played a major role in our shows ever since. At that show the Protection of Wildlife Habitats, a se-tenant block of four (Scott # 1924a), was issued. These were the first stamps ever issued in Reno. A Spring Meeting of the American Philatelic Society (a World Series of Philately show) was hosted by the NSSS. Also hosted by the NSSS was the National Convention of Universal Ship Cancellation Society and the American Topical Association (twice). At these shows two of the Transportation coils were issued. The Buckboard (#2124) and the Ambulance (#2128). The Peach (#2487) and Pear (#2488) stamps were issued at another NSSS show.

In addition to our stamp show the NSSS has been active in the Reno National Air Races (selling covers at a booth), and the NV State Fair (exhibit frames & welcome table). Small exhibitions have been placed around the city in libraries and post offices. And the NSSS has always promoted a "Junior" program to develop interest in stamp collecting among the youth of our area.

Past NSSS Presidents

It was a little difficult researching all the past presidents and the years served. There is not a complete collection of all the Post Boy newsletters and there were a few resignations or a move out of the area. This is the most accurate listing.

Tony Amaral	1975-1976	Gus Geiger	1989-1991
Ruthe Dreiling (Interim)	1976-1977	Jerry Fenwick	1991-1993
Laura Wilhite	1977-1978	Al Shay	1993-1997
Ruthe Dreiling (Interim)	1978-1979	Tom Morrissey	1997-1999
Ruthe Dreiling	1979-1981	Dick Dreiling	1999-2003
Gus Geiger	1981 -1983	Stan Cronwall	2003-2005
Ruthe Dreiling (Interim)	1983	Terri Edwards	2005-2007
Bill Brew	1983-1985	Mike Johnson	2007-2009
Jack Barriage	1985-1987	Stan Cronwall	2009-2015
Dick Dreiling	1987-1989		

NSSS Website Awarded Vermeil

In July, the stamp club website <http://www.RenoStamp.org> received a Vermeil Award by the Council Activities Committee of the American Philatelic Society. The committee solicits nominations for a club website, a stamp show website or a combination. **John Walter** entered the combination category since all the show "stuff" is on the website. The award is based on an objective point system used by two judges.

Greater Reno Stamp and Cover Show

July 25 – 26, 2015

National Bowling Stadium, Reno, Nevada

Palmares

Judges: Larry Crain and Ed Laveroni

Grand & Gold

Guam 1899 to 1945

Bradley W. Fritts

Gold & Silver State Challenge

The 1/2p Machin of Great Britain, 1971-1985

Mark Woodward

Gold

Official Mail and Postmarks of Livonia: 1765-1860

Vesma Grinfelds

Vermeil & People's Choice Award

Reno, Nevada

Richard Dreiling

Vermeil

German Colonies in the Pacific

Bradley W. Fritts

Japanese Mandate in the Pacific

Bradley W. Fritts

Silver

A Nevada Stamp Study

Nadiah Beekun

Silver

German Third Reich Kinder Kartes

Stan Cronwall

The First Residents of Northwest Nevada

Richard Dreiling

Crater Lake

Len Lukens

Silver-Bronze

The Race to the Moon

Richard Dreiling

August Post Boy Quiz

by John Walter

1. When was the Nevada Stamp Study Society incorporated as a non-profit organization?
a. 1972 b. 1975 c. 1979
2. In what city was the first meeting of the Nevada Stamp Study Society?
a. Reno b. Sparks c. Carson City
3. Who is the longest, living member of the Nevada Stamp Study Society?
a. Dick Dreiling b. Stan Cronwall c. Ed Hartley
4. How many Board of Director's meeting are held each year (normally)?
a. 2 b. 3 c. 4
5. How many social events are planned each year that families are invited to participate?
a. 1 b. 2 C. 3
6. Who has the distinction of serving the most years as President of the Nevada Stamp Study Society? (deceased or living)
a. Stan Cronwall b. Ruthe Dreiling c. Al Shay
7. How many auction bucks are awarded for each member attending a stamp club meeting?
a. 10 auction bucks b. 25 auction bucks c. 50 auction bucks
8. How many meetings does the club schedule each month (except December)?
a. one meeting a month b. two meetings a month c. whenever the members decide
9. How are the meeting refreshments provided?
a. the club pays for and provides refreshments b. each members signs up for a meeting
c. no refreshments are scheduled, members bring what they what to each meeting
10. Where does the Nevada Stamp Study Society have a permanent stamp display area that is changed every month or two?
a. main library downtown b. main post office on Vassar St. c. no permanent displays
11. How much does a stamp cost if purchased from the "penny box(es)"?
a. one penny b. two pennies c. five pennies
12. What percentage of sales from auction and consignment items does the club retain?
a. 5% b. 10% c. all proceeds go to the seller

Bonus Question: Who served as President of the Nevada Stamp Study Society four times, but was elected only once?

Each correct answer is worth 10 auction bucks. Email the quiz answers to [Betty Mudge](#) or give her the answers at the next meeting. This month's quiz is worth 130 Auction Bucks - total.

Answers to the July quiz: 1. c; 2. c; 3. b; 4. a; 5. b; 6. NONE (1884); 7. b; 8. a; 9. a, b, or c; 10. b

Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show A Quick Summary

The total attendance for the two day show was 414. Saturday was a very busy day for the dealers, Sunday was a little slower but still busy. The exhibit judges, Ed Laveroni and Larry Crain, did a great job critiquing each exhibit. The Awards Dinner was a catered buffet at the bowling stadium. Food was in abundance and most of the 25 attendees had seconds. Unfortunately, pictures of the award presentations were lost when our photographer accidentally deleted pictures from the camera memory card. In the future, we need more than one volunteer photographer to ensure this does not happen again. Over 100 photos were taken during the show and will be posted on the website in another week or so. All the show pictures can be watched at the August 22 membership meeting as a slideshow.

The big surprise at the Awards Dinner was the presentation of the Chaloner Trophy to **Harvey and Terri Edwards** by David McNamee and Vesma Grinfelds from the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies. David also gave recognition to Dick Dreiling for his 40 years membership in the NSSS and specifically for Chairing the NEVPX Show Committee from 1981 to the late 1990s.

A full summary of the stamp show will be presented as a meeting program on August 22. This is the forum to discuss the good, bad, and the ugly (don't want that to happen again) things about the show to make it even better next year. The show Palmares are on page 5 of this newsletter.

Here is a collage of show pictures.



Election Ballot

The nominations for open positions this year are:

President (2 year term): John Walter

Treasurer (2 year term): Mike Potter

Director (3 year term): Nadiah Beekun

Director (3 year term): Harvey Edwards

The elections will be held August 8 at the picnic. If no more than one person is nominated for each office, all the candidates will be elected by acclamation.

Annual Membership Renewal

August is the month the club membership dues is paid. Just a reminder, the dues is \$20 for an individual and \$25 for a family. The membership year is August 1 to July 31.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Recommended by: _____ Dues Paid: _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

Collecting Interests: _____

Philatelic Society Memberships: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Payment can be given to the Treasurer at the picnic or any regular meeting. A club address: Nevada Stamp Study Society, PO Box 2907, Sparks, NV 89432.



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