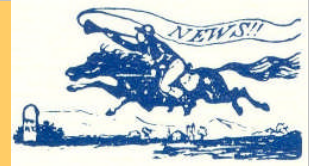




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MEETS THE 2ND & 4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10:00 AM AT THE
SILVERADA ESTATES CLUBHOUSE LOCATED AT 2301 ODDIE BLVD., RENO

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Honorary Lifetime Membership



*Whereas, the Board of Directors of the
Nevada Stamp Study Society
Passed a Resolution that henceforth
Richard "Dick" Dreiling
Is an Honorary Lifetime Member
With all the privileges of a full member
In Recognition of his 40 years of membership and
Significant contributions to the Society during those years.
Resolution Passed August 22, 2015*

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John Walter, President, presented **Dick Dreiling** with a certificate granting him Lifetime Membership in the Nevada Stamp Study Society with the citation above. This designation was granted as a special award during the NSSS 40th Anniversary year. Dick joined the stamp club in Sept. 1975, one month after the club was formed.



Dick Dreiling seated with Richard Simmonds at the meeting on Sept. 12.

Post Boy Reporter

Sept. 12 meeting - This was a special meeting with **Dick Dreiling** being presented with a citation honoring him for his 40 years of membership. **Gary Atkinson** was introduced as the new Vice-President to fill that position until July 2016. The usual call was made for volunteers for the Post Boy editor, help for the library displays in October, and stamp show exhibit coordinator, and someone to solicit dealers for the show. Twenty members signed in at the meeting, and six visitors attended. Some visitors inherited stamp collections and needed help with appraisal and others were there to sell-sell-sell their collections. Hopefully, one or two will join the club. There was one new member, **Allan Pankey**, who signed up to present the Sept. 26 meeting program. He will discuss alternative ways to display our stamp collections, other than using albums.

As usual, there were 10 donated raffle prizes, and one bonus prize. The last drawing for the money (\$9.00) was won by **Richard Simmonds**. Here are a few pictures from the meeting;



Gary Atkinson, V-P, John Walter, President, and Mike Potter, Treasurer, at Sept. 12 meeting.



Nadiah Beekun, Bill Littell and Bob Ennes at Sept. 12 meeting.



Steve Foster and Mo Sung at the Sept. 12 meeting.

Sept. 26 meeting - With many of our members traveling, **Gary Atkinson** our new club vice-president conducted the meeting. Great job Gary! We had several visitors including two from Lake Tahoe and several members of the **Allan Pankey's** family. Allan did a presentation on Air Mail Stamps as framed artwork. I never knew stamps could look so beautiful. We had an abundance of consignment items.

Volunteer Needed

Post Boy Editor - **Marla Wetterling** has volunteered to edit the Oct. and Nov. issues. John Walter will do the December issue. So by January there needs to be someone to take over the Post Boy. Starting now on the Post Boy will make the job a lot easier working with Marla and John Walter.



Upcoming Meetings

Oct. 10th meeting - AUCTION DAY

Members are encouraged to place up to 10 items on the auction table using the auction sales sheets which are available online at the club website. This auction gives the member selling the item an opportunity to sell an item they may no longer need for their collection and also for the member buying the item they can add a new treasure to their collection. A win/win for everyone.

Oct. 24th meeting - CONSIGNMENT DAY & Philatelic Program

Members can place up to 10 items on the consignment table with the sell price. If you are interested in any of the items you just pick it up and take it to the front table to pay for the item. The second meeting of the month is one where there is a philatelic program which allows our members to learn about a specific philatelic topic.

NOV. 14th meeting - YEARLY AUCTION BUCKS AUCTION

One of the most enjoyable meetings of the year and you don't want to miss it. Throughout the year our club members have earned what we call funny money for helping out at club events and just participating as a club member. Everyone brings items that they want to donate to the auction and we have seen almost anything you can think of throughout the years. Members have brought things like: wine, homemade jams and jellies, plants, puzzles, and of course stamps! You name it and you can get it here. We have a live auction using the funny money and if you don't have enough you can always buy more from Betty our auction bucks coordinator. Hope to see you there.



October Post Boy Quiz by Stan Cronwall

This quiz is about Canada stamps.

1. What birds are shown on the 1946 airmail stamps?
a. Arctic Terns b. Canadian Geese c. Northern Puffins
2. In 1970, a Canadian Minister of Labor was kidnapped and killed. His picture is shown on a 7 cent stamp issued in 1971. Who was he?
a. Guy La Fleur b. Pierre Pilot c. Pierre La Port
3. The use of what postal device is encouraged on a 1979 stamp?
a. Guillotine Cancel b. Postal Code c. Mr. Zip
4. A single stamp was issued in 1966 to promote public safety. What did it show:
a. Traffic Signs b. Condoms c. Bicycle Lanes
5. What bridge between Canada and the U.S. appears on a 1977 issue?
a. The Verranzo Narrows Bridge between Detroit, Michigan and Ontario b. The Peace Bridge between Fort Erie, Ontario and Buffalo, New York c. The St. Lawrence River Bridge between Montreal, Canada and Plattsburg, New York.
6. In what year were the Olympic games held in Montreal?
a. 1928 b. 1940 c. 1976
7. In what year did Canada issue a set of territorial and provincial flags on stamps?
a. 1979 b. 1898 c. 1910
8. The first bishop of Quebec was honored on the 350th anniversary of his birth on a 1973 stamp. What was his name?
a. Monsignor Geoffrion b. Bishop Simon Richard c. Monsignor de Laval
9. What topical subject dominated Canadian semi-postal stamps?
a. Wildlife b. Sports c. Lakes
10. What American Deputy Postmaster General appears on a 1976 Canadian issue?
a. Benjamin Franklin b. James J. Farley c. Alfred E. Newman

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 100 Auction Bucks - total.

Sept. Post Boy Quiz answers: 1. a 2. a 3. c 4. c 5. b 6. c 7. b 8. c 9. b 10. a b & c Bonus: c

Membership Renewals

August is membership renewal month. Please renew ASAP. The club is asking all members to complete a new membership application to update their collecting interests and memberships in philatelic groups, such as, the American Philatelic Society. The updated information is needed for a 40th anniversary membership roster to be published soon. The membership renewal form was in the August issue of the Post Boy or download from the website: http://renostamp.org/pdf_files/membership_application.pdf

Currently, **Harvey Edwards** is acting as the [Membership Chair](#). Contact him if you do obtain an email address. Don't forget, this newsletter is to inform of club activities, meeting business, philatelic events, and even gossip among its members. So if you have anything to share with others in the club, contact [me](#) or [Marla Wetterling](#).

SACAPEX -- Nov. 7-8, 2015

The Sacramento Stamp Society's Exhibit Chair is soliciting stamp exhibits for their annual show. Entry form and title page must be received by Oct. 21, 2015. Please contact the Exhibit Chair, Robert Pope [via email](#) or call 916-583-3027.

Food Donations Request

The stamp club was approached early this year about donating food items to the Silverada Estates. Residents are mostly low-income and over 55 years of age. The management at the Estates was made aware of some residents having difficulties with rising food prices and requested our help.

Club members have been generous in bringing items to the meetings. Any excess food items are further donated to the food bank to help the homeless.

Recently, **Stan Cronwall** saw a list of items that one can pick up while doing their normal grocery shopping and bring to the meetings. Here is the list:

- Canned meals: stews, soups, spaghetti/ravioli
- Protein: peanut butter, canned tuna, salmon, chicken, dried or canned beans
- Grains: whole grain cereal, oatmeal, brown rice, pasta
- Fruits: canned (packed in 100% juice or light syrup) dried fruit, applesauce, 100% fruit juice boxes
- Vegetables: canned
- Dairy: shelf stable milk
- Snacks: granola bars, popcorn, animal crackers, graham crackers

The Silverada Estates has provided their clubhouse/recreation center for our meetings twice a month for 2 years. They do not charge for the hosting of the meetings. Occasionally, the club will make a small donation to the maintenance man who sets up all the tables and chairs for each meeting. The stamp club has also donated small amounts of funds for landscaping plants around the clubhouse building.

U.S. Demonetized Stamps

by Stan Cronwall

There have been only two occasions in U. S. history when the Federal Government demonetized our postage stamps.



First, it was in 1851 when the five and ten cents stamps from 1847 (stamps to the left) were demonetized as of July 1, that year. This resulted from the Act of March 3, 1851 which reduce the normal letter rate from 5 cents to 3 cents.

NSSS members check your older U.S. covers because there are a few that carry 1847 stamps after the demonetized date. Stamps from 1847 were still optional until the mandatory date in 1855.

The second and more serious came as a result of the start of the Civil War in 1861. At that time, Post Offices in the Confederacy held substantial assets of the United States in the form of their stamp inventories. In theory, the CSA could generate income to be used in the war by selling these stamps to private individuals in the North.

In April 1861, the CSA Postmaster John H. Reagan ordered the post offices in the Confederacy to return their U.S. Stamp inventories to Washington, D.C. Few seemed to have followed his order.

Then, in June 1861, the U.S. Postmaster General Montgomery Blair ordered that postal ties with the Confederacy be severed, and that new stamps be produced for use in the North.



The August 1861 issues (illustrated here) were distributed throughout the Union. Postmasters were ordered to offer to exchange old stamps for the new ones for a period of six days after giving "the public notice through newspapers and otherwise".

After the six day period, Union post offices were not to recognize the old stamps as paying postage. However, Postmasters were to accept letters with old stamps from other post offices until set dates which ranged from September 10 in the East to November 1 for letters coming from the Far West. (Later the dates were extended for an additional two weeks.)

Confusion reigned. Large cities in the East were exchanging new stamps for old in the third week of August, and some remote post offices did not even start exchanging until November. In addition, some post offices ran out of the new stamps which led to acceptance of letters with old stamps after the demonetization date.

Again, NSSS club members check your older U.S. covers because usage of the old stamp beyond the demonetization date are rare.



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 Sept. 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.

Learning to Exhibit your Collection

I hadn't been on our club website in a while, but there is a section for exhibits and it currently has two exhibits by **Dick Dreiling** and one from **Jean Johnson**. John and I don't always make it to the show as I'm sure you could have viewed them in person there, but what a treat to see them on your computer. We have quite a few members who are experienced exhibitors so if you are interested in learning how to exhibit, don't be shy ask Dick, **Terri or Harvey Edwards**, Jean Johnson or just about any club member can point you in the right direction. I've got to get going on my Scottish Castle/Abbey exhibit again. Maybe when things slow down.

Keep in mind that you can start out slow by just doing a page or two to be included in our club's My Favorite Things Exhibit or start out with a specific topic of interest. I think exhibits are a clever way for collectors to share this hobby with other people. Exhibits in my opinion bring life to stamp collecting.

Even if you don't have a computer at home, check this out at a library or friends house and see what you're missing.

<http://www.renostamp.org/exhibits.html>

As a person who has only exhibited once a few years back, I love the way Dick did his exhibit on Nevada's First Residents. This is the format I was trying to achieve with my exhibit. You can only gain this level of expertise through years of experience. – Marla

Buy, Want, Sell, Trade

If you would like to have an advertisement added to the Post Boy, please email Marla at opusnrosebud@att.net.

Sell - Large collection For Sale in its entirety: Confederate States of America, Canada, Postal Cards and History, plus much more. The material is mostly before mid-1970s. There are also lots of U.S. plate number blocks. Most items were purchased via the Internet. Mickey paid over \$11,000. Will sell everything for \$5,000. Contact member **Mickey Uhl** at (775) 378-3458 or email: malcolmuhl52@yahoo.com. Mickey lives in the Silverada Estates.

Sell - British Commonwealth collection, which has every country except U.K., Canada, and New Zealand. Individual counties are available, such as, Ireland, India, etc. Contact member **Ed Hartley** at email: lance98024@yahoo.com. Phone number is (253) 242-7053.

Wanted - Scottish Castle & Abbey Picture Postcards. Looking for pre-1950's, picture postcards from Scotland, preferably castles and abbeys. Contact member **Marla Wetterling** (775) 575-1337 or email: opusnrosebud@att.net.

Buy and Sell - almost anything philatelic and ephemera. This includes stamps, post cards, FDCs, photos and documents of mining, and also Western interest. Plus selling philatelic supplies. Contact member **Nadiah Beekun** at Classic Nevada, 28 W. 2nd Ave, downtown Reno, (775)762-4905, <http://www.RenoStamps.com> or email classicnevada@yahoo.com.

Wanted: U.S. aerogrammes: #UC46, UC49, and UC52 - must be used and addressed to overseas locations. Also needed is FDC of UC63a. Contact member **John Walter**, email: walter60@gmail.com.

Trade: Looking for MNH copies of U.N. New York #49-50 and 548. Will trade for 1999 issue of Endangered Species marginal block of 4, Scott #757-60. Contact member **John Walter**, email: walter60@gmail.com.

U.S. New Stamp Issues

Most of our stamp club members collect some U.S. material, with a few members collecting current issues. To keep up with the numerous details and new *Scott Catalogue* numbers, the American Philatelic Society has near complete information on their website for issues from 2010: <http://stamps.org/us-new-issues>