

## 2015 Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show

The program for the August 22 meeting was a report on the 2015 stamp show. While **Harvey Edwards** was presenting his report over 100 pictures from the show were on a continuous slide show loop. All the photos are also on the website: [http://renostamp.org/stamp\\_show2015.html](http://renostamp.org/stamp_show2015.html) There were so many pictures that a second web page was needed for the exhibit critiques and awards dinner: [http://renostamp.org/2015\\_awards.html](http://renostamp.org/2015_awards.html)



The 2015 Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show was held in the Bowling Stadium's Hall of Fame Bowling Museum. Setup was on July 24 with the show held July 25 and 26, 2015. Show hours were from 10am – 6pm on Saturday and 10am – 4pm on Sunday. The two-day attendance was 412.

**Marla and John Wetterling** co-chaired the bourse. **Charles White** assisted with business licenses and taxes after Marla stepped down to take care of sick family members. Thirteen (13)

dealers and the post office participated in the bourse.

Twelve exhibitors filled 33 frames of exhibits. There were also three frames of “My Favorite Things” on display. The show Grand was awarded to Bradley W. Fritts for his 5-frame exhibit “*Guam 1899 to 1945.*” The Silver State Challenge was awarded to Mark Woodward for his 3-frame exhibit “*The 1/2p machin of Great Britain, 1971-1985.*” The “People’s Choice” Award went to **Dick Dreiling** for his 5-frame exhibit “*Reno, Nevada.*”

The show banquet was held in the Stadium Club on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Bowling Stadium. The menu was the Smokehouse Sampler buffet and contained plenty of good food. There were 25 attendees sharing the feast. The club subsidized about 40% of the cost of the meal in recognition of the club’s 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary (founded August 1975). David McNamee and Vesma Grinfelds, representing the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies, opened the awards portion of the program with a surprise presentation of the Chaloner Memorial Trophy to **Harvey and Terri Edwards**.

David McNamee also gave special recognition to **Dick Dreiling** for chairing the NSSF stamp show committee for 15 years. Dick was instrumental in having NEVPEX sponsored by national philatelic groups: The American Topical Association, the American First Day Cover Society, and the U.S. Ship Cancellation Society. With this national recognition came First Day of Issue stamps in 1985 and 1986 - the only first day of issue stamps in Reno. Dick served as a Director, and elected as President of the NSSF from 1987-1989 and again 1999-2003.

The 2015 show income was \$5,169.59 (estimated – final report to follow). Show expenses were \$4,538.27. The net income was approximately \$631.32.

The tentative dates for the 2016 show are July 23 – July 24. One dealer has placed his deposit for the show. Harvey did mention that a volunteer is need to solicit show dealers and another volunteer is needed to solicit and coordinate exhibits for the 2016 stamp show. Please contact Harvey for specifics. [show@renostamp.org](mailto:show@renostamp.org)

The full stamp show committee is recognized because of the many hours they provided to ensure a successful show: **Harvey Edwards** - Chair, Facility Coordinator, and Awards Dinner; **John & Marla Wetterling** - Dealer Bourse; **John Walter** - Publicity; **Terri Edwards** - Exhibits and Awards; **Stan Cronwall** - Security; **Paul Glass** - Hospitality with help from **Stan Cronwall & John Walter**; **Charles White** - Post Card, Program Development, Printing; **Mike Potter** - Facility setup and takedown (exhibit frames).