

Nevada

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N.S.S.S. meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at 10:00 am
in the Sparks Heritage Museum at Pyramid and Victorian Avenue
<http://home.earthlink.net/~renostamp/>



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POST BOY

August 8, 2009

Hot August nights are in full bloom and 100 degree weather is the norm. Cars from the forties, fifties and sixties litter the downtown Reno streets and are dusted by poodle skirts passing too near.

There are a couple of stamp events coming this month for all our stampy friends. The first will be the **Nevada State Fair** where we put up a booth every year. The second is the annual **stamp Club Picnic**. We will install the new (and renewed) officers of the club. Volunteers will be needed.

First order of business is the **Nevada State Fair**. We will have a table that will be filled with material designed to attract potential young collectors. It will include free stamps, coloring pages for coloring pre-printed stamps, short articles about stamps and stamp collecting and items of interest to new collectors. There will also be a display of our stamps, exhibition style. We need members to help us set up before the Fair (Aug. 24), man (or woman) the tables during the Fair (Aug. 26-30) and tear it all down when its all over (Aug. 31). Sign up with **Dick Dreiling**.

A little help is needed for the **Club Picnic** as well. First you need to sign up for the dish you intend to bring. That way we don't wind up with fifteen potato salads and a jar of mustard. If you show up early (10:00 am or, so) you can put tablecloths on the tables, start the charcoals or what ever else needs doing. You will be allowed to bring friends, spouses and/or other relatives. You can also bring some music or a favorite game you like to play and see if someone will join you. Or just bring yourself and enjoy the scenery and company and good food. Sign up sheets will make the rounds at the next meeting. See page two for a map and directions to Bower's Mansion.

On the page following the map is another stamp collecting poem called "Collectin' Stamps. It's a delightful poem that contains much truth about stamp collectors.

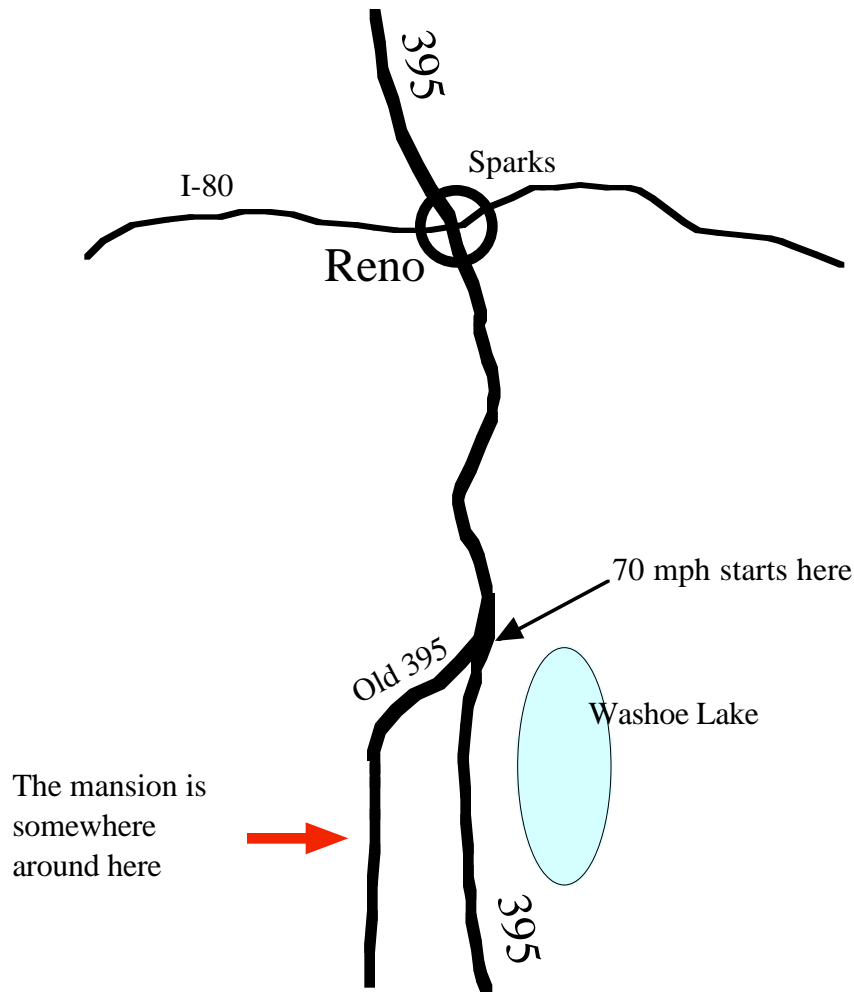
Palmares, the winners of Gold, Silver and Vermeil, are on the seventh and eighth pages of this issue. Congratulations to **Stan Cronwall** for taking the People's Choice Award. Didn't he do that last year too?

Pictures taken by **John Walter** of the Show will be found on pages nine and ten. If you get the Post Boy in the mail, go to the library to view the pictures in color You can even enlarge them a little. Just go to the club's website. A librarian will be happy to help.

Filatelic Fiesta will be held again this year on Nov 13-15 at the Santa Clara County Fair Grounds. for more details, go to <http://www.filatelicfiesta.org/>

THE PICNIC

We will be at Bowers Mansion, Pavilion on the Carson City (South) side of the Mansion. We will be next to the Mansion in the trees. If coming from the 395 towards Carson, you exit right on the Old 395 highway. (there are signs to the Mansion) and to the pavilion past the Mansion in the trees Restrooms and parking are right in front of the pavilion.



Keep in mind, you will be going most of the way to Carson City. If you can legally go 70 miles per hour, though, you have gone past the turn off. because its right at the start of that speed limit. Look for the signs to the Mansion, the first one is at that point, then follow them. You should have no problem finding it. Just look for the rowdy stamp collectors. Ha, ha, ha, ha!

“Collectin’ Stamps”

Silas Weatherby

A feller isn't thinkin' mean,
Collectin' stamps;
His thoughts are mostly good
and clean
Collectin' stamps;

He doesn't knock his fellow
man,
Or harbor any grudges then;
A fella's at this finest when,
Collectin; stamps.

The rich are comrades to the
poor,
Collectin' stamps;
All brothers of a common lore,
Collectin' stamps;

The boy, the joy the reprints
bring,
Can chum with millionaire and
king;
Vain pride is a forgotten thing
Collectin' stamps.

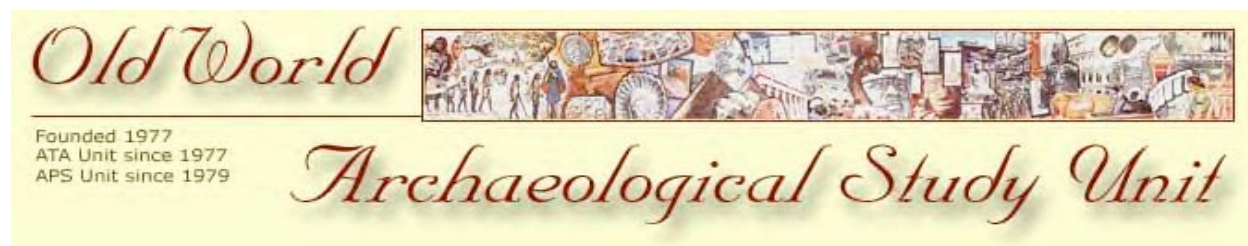
A feller's glad to be a friend,
Collectin' stamps;
A helpful hand he'll always
lend,
Collectin' stamps;

This brotherhood of shifts and
line;
And “Cats” and tongs is simply
fine;
Men come real close to God's
design,
Collectin' stamps.

A feller isn't plotin' schemes,
Collectin' stamps;
He's only busy with his dreams,
Collectin' stamps;

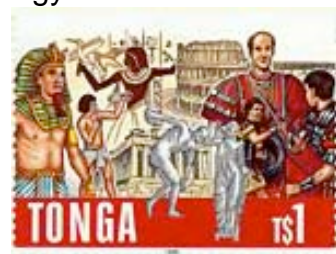
His livery is a benzine pan,
His creed- to do the best he
can;
A feller's always mostly man,
Collectin' stamps.

<http://owasu.org/index.html>



Topical collecting usually attracts a a very specific type of collector. It all depends what appeals to you. How about Archeology? An interesting subject because it is us. It is about human history. It is about finding what we left behind in the past and a thousand years from now, it will be about what we leave behind now. This site is about a club who investigates the stamps that illustrate archeology.

The address above takes you to the home page of this club where you will see the banner and stamp shown here. More is available in the links called "New Digs", "Gallery", "Library", "Primer" and "Freebies". I'll bet you can guess which my favorite page is.



The first one (new Digs) takes you to a page that recommends articles that are available for you to read. I would assume they are about archeological digs. This page would be for the more serious person who wants to go more deeply into the subject.



On the Gallery page are postcards and covers that show the stamps in use. Some are philatelic and some not. The cover to the left show a metered stamp with a cachet showing primitive glass making. Pick a subject, and there are many, and see a cover with stamps, meters and/or postmarks showing a subject in

archeology.

"Libraries" offers you copies of the quarterly journal of the club called the 'Old World Archaeologist' and checklists of various subjects as well as catalogs and similar information. "Primer" is just that, a primer for beginning archeology stamp collectors. The "Freebies" are computer wallpaper and a few material freebies, but you may have to do a little work for them.

Hungary is an interesting country. It started the twentieth century as a major power allied with Austria. Hungary became independent after WWI but lost most of its territory. Then, in WWII, allied itself with Germany (oops) and wound up as a satellite of the USSR. It gained independence after the collapse of communism in Russia. It now has a parliamentary government. Good for them.

1. What group of buildings is shown in a 1964 series?
A) Postal B) Budapest Fair C) "Modern" housing
2. What American First Lady appears on a 1964 stamp?
A) Martha Washington B) Jacqueline Kennedy C) Eleanor Roosevelt
3. A child with a towel and a toothbrush is shown on a 1963 issue. What organization does it honor?
A) Red Cross B) ADA (Dental Assn.) C) Orphanages
4. What sport is shown on a 1962 souvenir sheet?
A) Soccer B) Futbol C) Cricket
5. What flower is shown on the 1959 Labor Day issue?
A) Daisy B) Rose C) Carnation
6. What occupation is the subject of a 1959 stamp?
A) Manufacturing B) Mining C) Engineering
7. How many stamps are there in the 1966 issue for the European Athletic Championship?
A) Seven B) Eight C) Nine
8. What spaceship appears on the 5 forint stamp issued in 1967?
A) Venus 4 B) Solyut C) Vostok 5
9. What lyric poet is the subject of a 1969 commemorative?
A) Endre Ady B) Stanley Kunitz C) Kokoschka
10. The "Portrait of a Man" is shown on a 1971 stamp marking the 500th anniversary of the birth of the painter. Who was he?
A) van Gogh B) Albrecht Dürer C) Kazinski

Bonus question: Finish the sentence; "A feller isn't thinkin' mean, _____?"

No questions answered in the opening paragraph. Its an easy quiz anyway.

Hong Kong was the subject of this quiz. Since the quiz was written in 1982 there are no questions pertaining to the present governance by the Chinese communists

1. A. The British took control of Hong Kong as a result of the opium wars in the 1840s. They leased the area from the Chinese in 1898 for 99 years. At this point it became a "Crown Colony".

2. A. According to my encyclopedia the river that flows through Hong Kong is called the Zhu Jiang, also known as the Pearl River. However the correct answer is the Canton.

3. A. Hong Kong #1 show the reigning monarch at the time which was also the first monarch of stamps, Queen Victoria.

4. C In Hong Kong the earliest Lunar New Year was for the year of the ram in 1967. 1973, however, was the year of the Ox, # 273-74.

5. B. Postage due stamps were first issued in 1923 and continued until 1976 showing a scale with an overweight letter on it.

6. B. The chow is sometimes referred to as the chow-chow. At least, thats the way I've always heard it.

7. C. In 1972, the two cities were connected by Cross Harbour. Now there are three vehicle tunnels and one subway tunnel to get you to the other side. The stamp (#270) shows the entrance to the Cross Harbour tunnel.

8. B. The issues if 1912 were the first to show the new King (George V). His stamps continued until the Silver Jubilee issue in 1835.

9. B. The stamp mentioned this question is a set (#200-202). Even though its been taken over by China, the park is still named Victoria Park and the statue is still there.

10. B. One might think the Carrier Pigeon would be the natural emblem of the UPU (Universal Postal Union) and if you are one of the people who thought that, you are correct.

Bonus question. In reality, the first course of the meal at Louis' Basque Corner was water followed by bread and wine but if you said Chicken and Spanish Rice, that's OK!

If you haven't looked yet, turn this page over and do the quiz on Hungary. Its an interesting country that most of us know nothing about. Time to learn. Go ahead.....turn the page over, get out a pencil and do it!

Greater Reno Stamp and Cover Show

July 25-26, 2009

National Bowling Stadium Reno, Nevada

Palmares

Judges

Ed Laveroni

Daryl Reiber

Court of Honor

Imperial Postmarks of the Trans-Siberian Railroad. Chelyabinsk to Manchzhuriya

Ed Laveroni

Greater Reno Stamp and Cover Show

Grand and Gold

An Engineering Victory of the First Order: Hoover Dam

Terri Edwards

Vermeil

Reno, Nevada

Richard Dreiling

Elko County – Nevada

Mike Rhodes

Integrating the U.S. Navy

Harvey Edwards

also

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Award of Honor

Silver

Absolutely Australia

Nadiah Beekun

The Condor Legion and the Blue Division

Stan Cronwall

Silver

Arthur Szyk
Stan Cronwall

The Fruit of Heaven
Terri Edwards

Silver-Bronze

World Architecture
Tara McAuliffe

Castles and Clans of Scotlands

Marla Wetterling

also

Novice Award

Silver State Challenge

Grand and Gold

“Muscovy’s Mayflies.” Imperial Russia’s Temporary Post Offices from 1858 to 1917

David M. Skipton

Gold

Under Pressure: Submarines and Crew

Harvey Edwards

Also

American Topical Association Best in Topical Gold Medal

The Slogan Handstamps of Latvia: 1936-1940

Vesma Grinfelds

Vermeil

A Tourist’s Guide to New Orleans at the Beginning of the 20th Century

Terri Edwards

This year’s **People’s Choice Award** was given to

Arthur Szyk
Stan Cronwall

Putting a show together takes some planning.....and



←
**With lots
of hard
work!**
→

**And hard
super-
vising**
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**A show is born!
And it was called
The Greater Reno
Stamp and Cover
Show!**



The USPS had a table and there was another for the children



There were 60 frames of exhibits



There were lots of dealers (15) to deal with and stamps and covers to buy.



The Nevada Duck Stamp Competition entries.



Diana Rodriguez, the winner of the Nevada Duck Stamp competition was kind enough to stop by and sign some covers for the club.

Left; Harvey Edwards presents Diana with a sheet of her stamps that are good for postage but not for shooting ducks.