



The Philatelic Prospector

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Silent Bid Sale returns!!!

The Sacramento Philatelic Society's popular

Silent Bid Sale

Will be held on Wednesday, April 6, 2022

From 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

At the Arden Christian Church

All bidders must be current members of the
Sacramento Philatelic Society.

Interested consignors must submit their lots – up to
15 lots are permitted – to Dennis Solheim no later
than the regular meeting on Wednesday, March
30th. Questions can be answered at club meetings.
Payment will be at the next meeting or it can be
mailed to you.

Good luck!

SACAPEX 2021 - Success!! And Now SACAPEX 2022 Help Needed

The SACAPEX 2021 stamp show and exhibition was a
success! A huge thank you to our Show Chair Joanne
Murphy. We were thrilled to have our show resume after
cancelling the previous year and pleased that the show
was well attended. Another big thank you to our dealers,
show judges and all the SACAPEX volunteers. We
couldn't do it without you.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF SACAPEX 2022

PLEASE CALL:
JOANNE MURPHY @ 916-455-3649
for volunteer information

CALL TODAY – DON'T WAIT – THANK YOU!!

Seeking Fund Raising Ideas

We are also seeking input on fund raising activities
for the club so if anyone has ideas, it would be great
to share them.

Weekly Stamp Club Meetings

THE SACRAMENTO PHILATELIC SOCIETY
MEETS IN PERSON AT 6:30 PM IN OUR NEW
MEETING SITE, THE ARDEN CHRISTIAN
CHURCH FELLOWSHIP ROOM. THE
CHURCH IS LOCATED AT 4300 LAS CRUCES
WAY, SACRAMENTO 95864 ON THE CORNER
OF LAS CRUCES AND EASTERN AVENUE
ABOUT A QUARTER MILE SOUTH OF ARDEN
WAY. THERE'S PLENTY OF FREE PARKING.
MASKS ARE OPTIONAL AND NOT REQUIRED.
THE CLUB CIRCUIT, FIVE CENT BINS
(FORMERLY TWO CENT BINS), LIBRARY,
COVER BOXES AND FACE BINS WILL ALSO
BE AVAILABLE. DOORS WILL OPEN EARLY
(ABOUT 6:00 PM) BUT EARLY ARRIVERS
WILL NEED TO HELP US UNLOAD THE STUFF
AND GET IT SET UP.

Call for Articles

If you have a collecting interest that you would like
to share with the club or an article you would like us
to include in our newsletter, please email it to Robert
Pope at thepope66@hotmail.com or mail a copy to
850 Wixford Way, Sacramento, CA 95864. You can
also get a printed version to the newsletter editor or a
board member at one of the Wednesday meetings.
Typical articles can run from a simple paragraph to a
half to full page with text and images. Thank you!

Local Stamp Dealer Here To Help

Ed Dimmick is still diligently working at his stamp shop three days a week, Tuesday through Thursday. His hours are normally 10am to 5pm, and he's eager to welcome visitors. The address is 4020 El Camino Ave, Suite D-4, Sacramento 95821 (about a half mile east of Watt Avenue). To get into Ed's shop, go inside the building, and then #D4 will be at the back. Ed's phone number is (916) 571-5884. So come visit Ed, and see what he currently has to offer.

Upcoming Stamp Shows 2022

- WESTPEX Burlingame April 22-24
- Greater Reno Stamp and Cover Show Reno, NV July 23-24
- APS's Great American Stamp Show Sacramento August 25-28

Stamps Needed For 5 Cent Boxes

The club continues to make our five cent donation stamps available for members to take stamps home, and then return them when done, on the Honor System. If you have stamps that you would like to donate, please let us know. You can drop off donation stamps at Ed Dimmick's shop Ed Dimmick's shop (4020 El Camino Ave, #D4 Tuesday-Thursday), or leave them with either Ernie (he's in the Tahoe Park neighborhood – susanteays@gmail.com) or Joanne (she's in the East Sacramento area - joannebe@pacbell.net). We have volunteers who are willing to soak stamps, so it's OK if your donation stamps are still on the envelope paper. If you have stamps to donate that are still mounted/hinged to pages, we also have volunteers who can strip them off for you. Any and all undamaged stamps are appreciated. Now's the time to clean out those closets, cupboards and drawers!

Membership 2022 Reminder

The board extended a free year to the end of 2021 for those who had paid their 2020 dues. But now that activities have reopened in 2022, you will need to renew membership.

Renewal notices have been sent for your 2022 membership

Membership Report March 9, 2022

- 166 members for 2022 (15 since last report)
- 156 members have renewed (13 since last report)
- 3 are lost souls and have renewed for 2022 (1 since last report)
- 7 new members for 2022 (1 since last report)
- 66 members have yet to renew. Unfortunately 4 of these members have passed on.

SPS on the World Wide Web

Our thanks to **Brian Freeman** who maintains our fantastic Society website! Haven't seen it recently? It's at sacramentostampclub.org. Take a look!

SPS Calendar

Regular meetings are held

Every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**4300 Las Cruces Way
Sacramento 95864**

Mar	2	In person club meeting
	9	Regular plus BOD meeting (8:45)
	16	In person club meeting
	23	In person club meeting
	30	In person club meeting
Apr	6	Silent Bid Sale
	13	Regular plus BOD meeting (8:45)
	20	In person club meeting
	22-24	WESTPEX
	27	In person club meeting
May	4	In person club meeting
	11	Regular plus BOD meeting (8:45)
	18	In person club meeting
	25	Annual election of officers and directors. In person club meeting

We normally have our Club Circuit and 5-cent boxes available for your shopping pleasure at each meeting. There are also members who enjoy just talking about their collections or helping you with yours. You might even find a member with a similar interest and you can initiate a stamp swap. Come see us...it's a lot of fun. "Shoe Boxes" of 5¢ stamps can also be taken home to search through during the week.

Current USPS Rates

First-Class/Forever Mail Letter (1 oz.) 58-cents
 Each additional oz. 20 cents
 Metered Mail 1 oz. 51-cents
 Postcard (max. 4-1/2" x 6") 40-cents
 Oversized Post Card 58-cents
 Large Flat Envelopes (1 oz.) \$1.00
 Each additional oz. 20-cents
 Square, oversized or unusual envelopes 78-cents
 Certified Mail \$3.50
 Int'l First Class Letter \$1.20
 Int'l First Class Postcard \$1.30
 Priority Mail Envelope \$7.95
 Priority Mail Padded \$8.55
 Priority Mail Small Flat Rate \$8.45
 Priority Mail Medium Flat Rate \$15.50
 Priority Mail Large Flat Rate \$21.90

Organizational Structure

Since November 1961, the Sacramento Philatelic Society (SPS) has been incorporated as a 501 (c) 7 "social" organization. We are giving consideration to reorganizing as a non-profit and tax-deductible 501 (c) 3 organization. We would value knowing if you're an attorney, a CPA, and/or have had recent experience setting up a successful 501 (c) 3.

Looking for a Couple of Board Members

Sacramento Philatelic Society is looking for a couple of Board Members. No, we don't have missing Board Members, but we'd like to find a couple of new Board Members. It's a fun job and it helps your club..."

Officers & Board of Directors

President	Ernie Teays
Vice President	Gil Miller
Secretary	Stephen Drew
Treasurer	John Pavalasky

Board of Directors

Beverly Harris	(thru 5/2022)
Ernie Teays	(thru 5/2022)
Katherine Pavalasky	(thru 5/2023)
Brian Freeman	(thru 5/2023)
Joanne Berkowitz Murphy	(thru 5/2024) (Chair)
Joan Clazie	(thru 5/2024)

Committee Chairs

Club Circuit Managers	John & Katie Pavalasky
SPS Fund Raising	Katie Pavalasky
SACAPEX	Vacant
Entertainment & Reception	Ernie Teays
Junior Members	Vacant
Club Librarian	Joan Clazie
Membership	Debbie Jean Hopkins
Nominating	Vacant
Poetzl Scholarship Programs	Gil Miller
Publications Editor	Ed Dimmick
Website	Robert Pope
	Brian Freeman

Storage

We have lost the free space to store the nearly 100 stand-up frames we use every year for exhibits at SACAPEX. We're currently renting a commercial 10 x 15-foot ground-floor space for \$229 per month in Sacramento! Would you let us know if you have any secure storage space or know where some might be available? The Board would also consider funding a small Tuff Shed-type structure if a site could be made available for five to 10 years. (Access to the storage area is a few times each year for our fundraising supplies, show tables, bins of stamps, etc.)

Man I love error's!

Cherrystone auction January, 2019, Inverted center stamp

As a collector/seller certain images will catch my attention. While short on an attention span, just ask my wife, and long on stamps, either buying selling or listing,-the stamp being offer in the Cherrystone auction site, lot #937, in January 2019, just seems to grab me. The colors work together and the image is inverted and crisp.



Scott# 22(A), Guatemala inverted

While not a collector or seller Guatemala, this is one cool looking stamp. The Cherrystone auction site has a cat value of \$775.00 usd for this stamp. The current bid is \$250.00. At the standard 40% of cat for listing to sell, this is right at the top of the food chain in bidding/buying stamps online and at auction houses. The centering is f/vf+ with the image being low in the picture frame and all perfs intact. This would be, could be a major addition to anyone's collection. Funny, the more I stare at this stamp, the more my wallet is yelling 'over here. I'm over here! Now if only I collected/sold errors of Guatemala and its countries stamps.

How about you?

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