



The Philatelic Prospector

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SACAPEX Nov 5-6, 2022 Help Needed

The SACAPEX November 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

For more information contact:

JOANNE MURPHY @ 916-455-3649

CALL TODAY – DON'T WAIT – THANK YOU!!

Exhibits Needed for SACAPEX

SACAPEX is looking for exhibits and no better way then to see and share what the Sacramento Philatelic Society club members collect. **You only need 16, 8 ½ x 11 vertical pages to create a One Frame Exhibit. Keep it real simple.** Call, email or contact **Robert Pope** to share your collecting interest and how to start. And it's FUN!

Passing of John J. Pavalasky

It is with sadness that the Sacramento Philatelic Society reports the passing of John J. Pavalasky on July 19, 2022, after a brief hospitalization. John was a long-time member of the club and had many different roles throughout his tenure. For more than two decades, John co-managed the club circuit with his wife, Katie.

(SEE OBITUARY BELOW)

Show & Tell Wednesdays

Look for Board and club members to volunteer and bring in something to share at Wednesday night meetings as to what they collect and how they preserve and/or present their stamps.

Sequoia Stamp Club's 75th Anniversary Celebration by Kristin Patterson

The Sequoia Stamp Club's 75th Anniversary Celebration will be held Saturday, September 17 from 1:30 to 5 pm. The Official Ceremony will be at 3:30 pm.

On September 30, 1947, a small group of enthusiastic stamp collectors met in the Recreation Craft Room at the Redwood City's Fire House #2 (now Station #10) at 2190 Jefferson Avenue on the corner of Myrtle Street, to form the Sequoia Stamp Club. They elected Mr. Louis Weiss as president and set the annual club dues at \$1. The membership voted unanimously to make Alfred "Red" Morton their first Honorary Member for his untiring and splendid efforts in promoting the formation of the club and the Junior Stamp Club. Hired in 1937, Mr. Morton was Redwood City's first recreation director. The Recreation Department graciously furnished stencils, postcards, and supplies for SSC meeting notices.

Mounting interest in philately and stimulating programs increased the membership to over 80 individuals, causing the craft room at the Fire House to bulge at its seams. In March 1950, it became necessary to transfer the club meetings and events to a larger venue; the YMCA building at 1234 Brewster Avenue in Redwood City.

In 1956, the completion of the new YMCA building at 1445 Hudson Street (still there in 2022) provided an even better facility which further enhanced the activities of the club. However, with the increased popularity of the YMCA, as well as continuing growth of the club membership, another move was necessary. In 1962, the club began meeting in the Friendship Room of the American Savings and Loan Association of California at 1615 Woodside Road. This was an excellent meeting

place, but there was a drawback. It was on the second floor and some of the older members found climbing the stairs too difficult, so in January 1965 a move to the Veterans Memorial Building at 1455 Madison Avenue took place.

Further growth dictated another move. In January 1967, the club moved to the new RC Community Activities Building at 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, where they comfortably settled and still meet today. They also hold an annual PENPEX Stamp Show at the same building.

The members have always enjoyed well-rounded philatelic programs, including exhibitions, lectures, film and slide shows, speakers, sales circuits, live and silent auctions, and active discussions. Let us not forget the trading, penny boxes, spot sales, quizzes, and more. The inherent interest and enterprise of philatelists, coupled with a demonstrated spirit of cooperation among members, has resulted in making the Sequoia Stamp Club one of the liveliest and the largest stamp club in the Bay Area.

Our upcoming celebration is free to all stamp collectors and enthusiasts. We will have free raffle drawings for \$150 in stamps to \$150 bottles of wine. Each attendee will receive a raffle ticket as they enter the party. But everyone can increase their chances of winning by getting an additional raffle ticket for dressing in 1947 attire (the year the club was formed) or partaking in the many free games i.e. Philatelic bingo, Corn hole, Shoot the Moon, and others. There will be a free Photo Booth that will immediately print your photo on a postcard for mailing and more.

We do not want to forget refreshments, philatelic exhibits, a bid table with 12 stamp lots for sale to the highest bidders, engaging conversation, and lots of happy philatelists that will make this an event to remember. Please join us.

El Dorado Hills Gold Rush Paper Show

El Dorado Hills Gold Rush Paper Show
September 17-18 2022
Holiday Inn Express Hotel HWY 50 Exit 30A
Latrobe Road
4360 Town Center Blvd (Enter at Post St)
El Dorado Hills CA 95762
See Our Show Of Stamps, Post Card, Book &
Ephemera Dealers
Saturday 10:00 am-6:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am-3:00 pm
FREE Admission
Mark Baker 530-417-1117
Website - GoldRushPaper.com

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 will no longer be working out of his shop but can still be visited at many Wednesday evening stamp club meetings. Ed's phone number is (916) 571-5884. So give Ed a call, and see what he currently has to offer. He's a great help and resource!

Upcoming Stamp Shows 2022/23

- WINEPEX Novato, CA – Oct 7-9, 2022
 - 215 Alameda Del Prado
- EBCC Show Walnut Creek, CA—Oct 22 & 23
 - 1375 Civic Center Dr.
- SACAPEX Sacramento, CA – Nov 5 & 6
 - Scottish Rite Center 6151 H Street
- PENPEX Redwood City, CA—Dec 3 & 4
 - Community Center 1400 Roosevelt Ave
- WESTPEX Burlingame, CA—April 28-30, 2023
 - 1800 Old Bayshore Highway

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 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 Renewal Reminder

Annual renewal memberships begin in October. Please be on the lookout for your membership renewal letter and thank you in advance for your support of the Sacramento Philatelic Society and all of the club's endeavors.

Membership Report

July 13, 2022

By Debbie Jean Hopkins

- 175 members for 2022 (3 since last report)
- 162 members have renewed (1 since last report)
- 4 are lost souls and have renewed for 2022 (1 since last report)
- 8 new members for 2022 (0 since last report)
- 60 members have yet to renew. Unfortunately 4 of these members have passed on.

SPS Calendar

Regular meetings are held

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

**4300 Las Cruces Way
Sacramento 95864**

Sep	7	In person club meeting
	14	Regular plus BOD meeting (8:45)
	21	In person club meeting
	28	In person club meeting
Oct	5	In person club meeting
	12	Regular plus BOD meeting (8:45)
	19	In person club meeting
	26	In person club meeting
Nov	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

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 Price changes effective 7/10/22

First-Class/Forever Mail Letter (1 oz.) 60-cents
Each additional oz. 24 cents
Metered Mail 1 oz. 57-cents
Postcard (max. 4-1/2" x 6") 44-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 \$1.40
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.

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!

Officers & Board of Directors

President	Ernie Teays
Vice President	Betsy Vallejo
Secretary	Stephen Drew
Treasurer	Stephen Drew

Board of Directors

Beverly Harris	(thru 5/2025)
Katherine Pavalasky	(thru 5/2023)
Brian Freeman	(thru 5/2023)
Joanne Berkowitz Murphy	(thru 5/2024) (Chair)
Diana Hale	(thru 5/2025)

Committee Chairs

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

Poetzl Scholarship Program

The next deadline for applications is January 5, 2023 for the \$1,000 annual scholarship award. The Poetzl Scholarship Program was established in June 2005. For more information or questions please contact Stephen Clazie.

(SEE APPLICATION & INFO BELOW)

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.)

2022 New Stamp(s) Highlight



Pony Cars Forever Stamps

August 25

Sacramento, CA at Great American Stamp Show

Over the past six decades, pony cars have become a uniquely American obsession, bringing a youthful spirit to the automotive world. These stamps celebrate five iconic U.S. automobiles — the 1969 Ford Mustang Boss 302, the 1970 Dodge Challenger R/T, the 1969 Chevrolet Camaro Z/28, the 1967 Mercury Cougar XR-7 GT and the 1969 AMC Javelin SST. The bold and dramatic artwork, painted with oils on panel, captures the energy and mystique of pony cars.

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.

from that position in 1995.

John Joseph Pavalasky August 22, 1941 - July 19, 2022



Sacramento, California - John J. Pavalasky was born August 22, 1941 in Delcarbon, Huerfano, CO, a Calumet Fuel Company town to which his grandfather immigrated from Poland in the 1920's as a coal miner. His parents, John Tony and Ione Edith Pavalasky, moved their family to Pueblo, CO where John attended Centennial High School and played varsity football. Shortly after graduating in 1959, he enlisted in the Air Force. While stationed at Hamilton AFB, CA he fell in love with his future wife, Katie, who was also stationed there. John was deployed to Turkey, while Katie to the other end of the world. They thought they'd never see each other again. Both were honorably discharged, miraculously reunited, and were married in San Francisco, CA in 1966.

John and Katie moved to Sacramento, CA in 1967, and John began working for the State of California - Franchise Tax Board, while earning his BS in Accounting from California State University - Sacramento and raising four daughters. John spent nearly 50 years at FTB as a legislative analyst and federal tax conformity specialist, and appeared before the Legislature regularly. He was held in highest esteem for his depth of knowledge and ability to explain difficult concepts in simple terms.

John and Katie shared a passion for philately since childhood, and joined the

Sacramento Philatelic Society in 1969. John was editor of *The Prospector* for many years, the trading circuit's buyer, served on the SPS Board, and was its Treasurer for over 20 years.

John was an avid reader, he could not pass up a used bookstore! A lively conversationalist, he knew something about everything, and a lot about computers. He adored our national parks, especially Yosemite, and became an avian photographer. He loved movies and often quoted his favorite line as, "One ping only, Vasily!"

John is warmly remembered for his big smile and hearty laugh, deep humility and stoicism, honesty and integrity, keen mind and intense curiosity, dry and punny humor and most of all, his endless devotion to his wife, Katie, for 56 years. He was Micky to her Minnie.

John is preceded by his parents and sister, Louise Freeark of Pueblo, CO. John is survived by his loving wife, Katie; four daughters: Christine, Suzanne, Kathy and Mary; seven grandchildren: Daniel, Laura, Caleb, Andrew, Joshua, Noelle, and Peter; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery on August 29, 2022 at 2:30 pm. Donations in John's memory may be made to the Sacramento Philatelic Society, PO Box 13284, Sacramento, CA 95813.

**The Charles Poetzl SPS Scholarship
Awarded by the 2023 SPS Scholarship Board
of the Sacramento Philatelic Society
P.O. Box 13284
Sacramento, CA 95813**

General Information

The Charles Poetzl SPS Scholarship is governed, controlled, and awarded by the SPS Scholarship Board of the Sacramento Philatelic Society (SPS), which was organized in 1961 as a 501 (c) (7) non-profit social organization, and currently has approximately 200 philatelists in the Greater Sacramento metropolitan area. There may be multiple winners of The Charles Poetzl SPS Scholarship. Each scholarship will be in the amount of at least \$1,000, and it is available to any philatelists residing within the Sacramento Philatelic Society membership area, which is the Greater Sacramento metropolitan area, or any philatelists whose parent or grandparent is a member of SPS. The nominee must be at least 17-years old, but not older than 25-years old at the time of nomination. They must be a full-time student in an accredited community college or an accredited four-year college or university by the fall of 2023. Applicants for a repeat scholarship award must use a separate application form and must submit their current academic transcript as proof of satisfactory progress in their educational endeavor. All winners will be presented at the Sacramento Philatelic Society's first meeting in April of 2023.

This form will be evaluated by the SPS Scholarship Board based upon this application, an official transcript of grades, and a 500 word essay. The \$1,000 scholarships will be issued to an accredited college or university upon notification from the registrar of the student's official enrollment in classes for the fall semester of 2023.

Please adhere to the use of this form so that we may judge all applicants fairly. This completed application and your essay and transcript must be submitted to the attention of the **SPS Scholarship Board, P. O. Box 13284, Sacramento, CA 95813**, by the close of business day, **4 P.M., Thursday, January 5, 2023. Applications will not be accepted after this deadline.**

Please complete every phase of the application. Your Social Security number is required.

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Name _____ School _____

Address _____
(Number) (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Social Security No. ____ - ____ - ____

Date of birth _____
(Must be at least 17, but not older than 25 years) on January 5 of the awarding year)

Are you a stamp collector? YES ___ NO ___

Are you a member of the Sacramento Philatelic Society? YES ___ NO ___

Is your parent/grandparent a member of Sacramento Philatelic Society? YES ___ NO ___

Their name _____

Are you currently enrolled in high school? YES ___ NO ___

If so, name the school: _____

Are you currently enrolled in a college or university? YES ___ NO ___

If so, name the college or university: _____

If not currently enrolled, have you been accepted by an institution? YES ___ NO ___

If you have been accepted, name the college or university: _____

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Please write an essay of 500 words or less about **an incident or event with your stamp collecting that has or will have a significant influence on your life.** Please type and double space your essay.

CHECK LIST (Initial that the following are attached):

_____ School transcript

_____ Essay

GRADE POINT AVERAGE Applicant's Signature

SACAPEX 2022 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Payments to cover return shipment of exhibits should be by check or money order payable to SACAPEX.

Inquires, entry forms, payments and actual exhibits should be directed to:

SACAPEX Exhibit Chair
Robert N. Pope
850 Wixford Way
Sacramento, CA 95864
916-583-3027
thepope66@hotmail.com

LOCATION OF SHOW

Scottish Rite Masonic Center
6151 H Street (H at Carlson)
Sacramento, CA

From Business 80 take J Street east to Carlson Drive.

From Highway 50 take Howe Avenue north to Fair Oaks Blvd. And turn left (west) onto Fair Oaks Blvd. to Carlson Drive.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Please reserve _____ frames for SACAPEX 2022 (**SACAPEX frames hold 16 pages**)

I am exhibiting as an (Adult) / (Junior)

Date of Birth (Juniors only) ___/___/___

I plan to (send) / (deliver) my exhibit.

Sacramento Philatelic Society member: Yes _____ No _____

American Philatelic Society member: Yes _____ No _____

First Time Exhibitor: Yes _____ No _____

Name in show program: Yes _____ No _____

Exhibit Title: _____

Exhibit Description: _____

Exhibitor Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: () _____

Email _____

I understand this signed application to exhibit at SACAPEX 2022 implies complete understanding and agreement to be bound by the rules and regulations as printed in this prospectus.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

LEAVE THIS SECTION BLANK. SHOW USE ONLY.

Date prospectus received: _____ Date acknowledged: _____

Date exhibit received: _____ Exhibit mounted by: _____

Exhibit dismounted by: _____ Exhibit picked up by: _____

Awards: _____

SACAPEX 2022

Scottish Rite Masonic Center 6151 H Street, Sacramento, California November 5-6, 2022
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sunday: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PROSPECTUS

Any exhibitor may enter, regardless of club affiliation or residence.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All exhibits will be in open competition. Each exhibit will be judged on its overall philatelic merit. There will be five levels of awards with sufficient number of awards placed for distribution by the jury.
2. Junior exhibits will be judged separately. Junior exhibits shall be the work of the exhibitor. Juniors must be under 18 years of age.
3. A panel of accredited judges will be selected whose decisions will be final.
4. SACAPEX frames hold **sixteen (16)** 8 ½" x 11" pages. Oversize cards or sheets will be accepted for competition only with the permission of the exhibit chairman.
5. Each exhibit must be the property of the exhibitor.
6. There is no entry fee for exhibits.
7. A synopsis page may also be submitted.
8. Adult exhibits must be a minimum of one frame and a maximum of twelve frames.
9. Junior exhibits must be a minimum of one frame and a maximum of four frames.
10. Entries must be made on the official entry form. Signing the entry form indicates acceptance of all rules and regulations.
11. The committee reserves the right to withhold any exhibit for not meeting SACAPEX standards. Previous SACAPEX Gold award winning exhibits may be entered only if new write-ups, and/or new material, have been added. Exhibits not for competition will be accepted only at the discretion of the committee. Submit details well in advance of the closing date.
12. Owners must provide their own insurance. All reasonable care will be taken. The sponsoring organization, its officers, members, **SACAPEX** officials, the Scottish Rite Masonic Center, nor any other group or organization shall be liable for any damages to, or loss of, any exhibition material arising from any cause or reason whatsoever. A guard will be on duty during all hours that the premises are open to the public. The Scottish Rite Masonic Center has a security alarm system which is armed when the building is not occupied.
13. The exhibitor is responsible for both forwarding and return shipping costs. The exhibits will be returned to the owner in the original packing promptly after the closing date of the show. Return shipping instructions and payment for shipping costs must be included with the entry form. Awards will be mailed prepaid to winners not able to attend the exhibit.
14. Personally delivered exhibits will be received by the mounting committee in the lobby of the Scottish Rite Masonic Center on Friday, November 4, 2022 between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. **(NOTE the EARLIER TIME)** Exhibits may be picked up on Sunday, November 6, 2022 after the show closes. No exhibit may be removed from the frames until after the show closes.
15. Any questions arising that are not covered by these rules and regulations will be decided by the Exhibit Committee, whose decision shall be final.