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From the President's Desk



Happy Spring Everyone!

There is a lot happening in April

April Program

Rajeev Panday will be giving a program on "Celebrating Butte Montana's Copper Cachets"

I look forward to hearing about and seeing the cachets. When I was a kid my family and I visited the copper mine and I remember coming home with some copper trinkets.

PIPEX 2025

We are looking for Exhibit Pages for our club Exhibit. We still need 10 more Pages. If you would like to put in a page or two, please bring them to the April Meeting and get in touch with me so I can put your name on the list. Call me if you

have any questions. 503-949-3920. We would love to have your participation.

We are looking for Volunteers for our Club Table. We need coverage for 1 hr increments Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 2nd through 4th

There is a sign-up sheet that will be available at the April Meeting. You may also Volunteer for PIPEX in other areas, the PIPEX website has a volunteer link and you can choose what you would like to help with and the time you would like to help.

The "Identify your Stamp" Workshop April 23rd at 6pm at 1275 Elser Ct SE Salem.

Bring along your hard-to-identify stamps together with:

Tongs Watermark fluid if you are looking at water marks Perf gauge (I will have a couple if needed). Refreshments will be available See you soon Lisa

New Member.

We welcome Lee Coen to the club. Lee lives in Antelope, CA and his collecting interests are specialized on Persia.

DUES! FINAL NOTICE!!

This is the last call for 2025 Dues. If you wish to continue to receive this newsletter and bid in upcoming auctions please mail a check to Alan Maul or see him at the April meeting.

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Club News & Meetings

The March 19th meeting was well attended with over 30 members in the room and 6 called in on Zoom.

The Society's 92nd birthday celebrations were



delayed one month by February's bad weather. A special cake was laid on by Dave Fuller of the Scottish Rite Center. President Lisa Janz is seen on right wielding the knife!

The Bid Board, also postponed from February, was a great success. 46 of the 60 lots on offer sold for over \$450 which together with brisk raffle sales resulted in \$500 for Society's

funds. Raffle prizes included the some special birthday event prizes of cash vouchers for future auction purchases.

Bob Grosch presented a very interesting Frame-of -the-Month on "Katanga". Bob described the short and turbulent life of this country as it claimed independence from the newly created Congo (formerly Belgian Congo). The breakaway state lasted about three years before reintegration into the Congo following a UN backed invasion. This short history makes it possible to collect the complete issue of stamps from a single country and present them in a frame of 6 pages!



The main event of the evening was **Gary Tiffin's** program on "The Reflections of a Retired Stamp Dealer". He managed to combine his career as Professor in higher education of over 50 years

with nearly 40 years as a successful stamp dealer. He had many interesting stories to tell about his history as a dealer which included helping to foil a thief who had been active at shows. Gary also has the unique distinction of performing a wedding ceremony of a dealer friend and his wife *at a stamp show*. He valued above all the lifelong friendships and relationships formed with fellow dealers and customers over the years.

Members expressed their thanks to Gary for being our "dealer in residence" and for all his contributions to and support of our Club.

Gary also reported that about 60 people attended the March STAMPEX on the 16th. The morning was much busier than the afternoon as usual but the dealers seemed to be quite pleased with the show.

Our April 16th meeting features a program by member Rajeev Pandey on "Celebrating Butte Montana's Copper Cachets". Bob Reynolds has assembled a very nice selection of items for the Bid Board with interesting and valuable items from the US and a wide range of countries. A list of the lots on offer and selected images are included in this newsletter and on our web site. If you cannot attend in person bids can sent or called in to Bob but you do need to be a fully paid up member to participate.

Members are reminded that our meeting on May 21st is a Swap Night so be sure to bring along your philatelic surplus items to trade or sell. There will also be a small Bid Board and a range of "Buy it Now" lots comprising highly discounted items on a first come-first served basis.

<u>Library.</u>

The Board has approved the purchase for later this year of a new set of 2026 Scott's Catalogues for the Society's library. The current set in the library (2022 edition) will be offered for sale to the membership after the arrival of the new set.

Local Postal History Event

Salem Stamp Society member **Ted Shepard** will give a talk on **"Discontinued Post Offices of the Santiam Canyon"** on Saturday May 17th from 3-5 pm. This will be hosted by the Brown House Event Center at 425 N First Av, Stayton, Oregon. There is a suggested \$5 donation, under 18 free with an adult.

Please contact Ted at the next meeting if you have any questions or call him on 503.881.5087.

Youth Activities.

Phil Kumler writes:

We will be hosting and supporting youth activities for the following events this year.

WESTPEX - April

PIPEX - May

SPACE CAMP - August 2025

SCOUTING UNIVERSITY - August & November

Local Rockwood (Gresham) & Beaverton scouting courses at their meetings.

We have received generous donations of stamps and postal materials from individuals, local stamp societies and dealers. We currently have too much on paper and are well stocked with First Day covers.

Donated stamps are used to prepare kits for scouts to earn Stamp Collecting Merit Badges (see photos on right). They will also be used by the organizers of the Boston 2026 World Expo who are seeking donations of off-paper stamps for use during the international philatelic exhibition.

Donated Postage will also be used for mailing out kits to the Scouting Universities and Space Camp.

Young collectors are now preparing exhibits on the topics below. Covers related to these topics would be much appreciated.

> Haiti - Jimmie Breast Cancer - Marissa Armenia - MyKayla House Cats - Vicky Ukraine - Alex Hong Kong - Jeffrey Easter Seals - Joe Christmas Seals - Lisa Fencing - Jayden Althea - Basketball

In November we are shipping remaining foreign off-paper to BOSTON 2026. If we consolidate that shipment with any donations from members our costs will be much less.







PIPEX celebrates its 81st show!

PIPEX 2025 celebrates the 81st stamp show on behalf of the Northwest Federation of Stamp of Stamp Clubs (NWFSC). NWFSC was formed in 1935 with the intention of holding a philatelic exhibition every year. The exhibition was named the Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition (**PIPEX**) due to membership in NSWFSC of clubs from states along the Pacific coast of the United States as well as from Canada.

The first PIPEX show was held in May 1936 in Bellingham, Washington. Over the next 80+ years, PIPEX was hosted by several clubs and rotated to different locations each year – including once in Alaska (1982); eleven times in British Columbia, Canada (last held 2004); several times in Washington (in Bellingham, Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma, and Olympia); and several shows in Oregon (Portland, Eugene, Medford, and Salem).

In 2010, due to the logistical challenges of rotating the show venue each year, it was decided to hold the show in just one location. The Oregon Stamp Society (OSS) stepped forward to host in Portland from 2012-2015. Also in 2012, Portland Philatelic Exhibitions (PPE) was formed to create a permanent committee whose sole responsibility was to put on an annual PIPEX show in the Portland area on behalf of NWFSC.

PPE, with OSS support, hosted PIPEX for the next several years. PIPEX is now supported by both OSS and the Salem Stamp Society. We are very fortunate to have several of the founding and early members of PPE still active on the PIPEX Committee, including Michael Jaffee, Lucien Klein, Bob Reynolds, Bill Seymour, Phil Kumler, George Struble, and Steve Brandt.

PIPEX has been a leader in innovation. In 2021, PPE is proud to have hosted the first World Series of Philately (WSP)-certified virtual (online) stamp show. PIPEX 2023 was the first and, for now, the last WSP-sanctioned hybrid show, where exhibits from around the world were judged virtually, combined with an in-person show with dealers, presenters, and exhibits on the floor for viewing.

PIPEX looks forward to continuing to put on the premier WSP stamp show of the Pacific North-west.

Mark Loomis

Semipostal Stamps of the US & GB

Semipostal stamps are sold at a price above the postal value with the surcharge being dedicated to a special purpose, often a charity. In a similar way to the stamps of Katanga described by Bob Grosch last month, semipostals offer a realistic chance of forming a complete collection of a country's issue. In contrast to many other countries the US and UK have only issued a handful of semipostal stamps. In 1975 Royal Mail experimented with its first



semipostal stamp raising money for handicap charities. It is not clear how successful this was but there was only one other general issue semipostal after this (1989)

By far the most successful semipostal issue from the USPS was the Breast Cancer Research stamp from 1998. Reissued in 2005, over 1.1 billion stamps were sold raising \$98 million for the NIH

and Medical Research Programs of the Dept. of Defense. Semi-postal issues since then have been less successful but have still raised significant funds for charities.



A less well known example of early postal fund raising comes from 1890. An exhibition to celebrate 50 years of the penny post issued special prepaid envelopes at a cost of one shilling. The surcharge of 11 pence going to the William Hill Benevolent Fund. Do any of our members have one of these?



April 2025 Bidboard Salem Stamp Society

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<u>)T #</u>	COUNTRY	DESCRIPTION	SCOTT #	VALUE	MIN BID	NOTES
		1861 10 cent Wahington, Used	68	\$55.00	\$10.00	
		1883 2 cent Washington, Used Very light cancel!	210	\$75.00	\$20.00	
		1883 4 cent Jackson, Used	211	\$25.00	\$5.00	
		1887 3 cent Stanton, Used	214	\$50.00 \$30.00	\$12.00 \$8.00	
	the second s	1890 30 cent Jefferson, Used	228 230	\$130.00	\$20.00	
		1893 1 cent Columbian Block of 4, MNH, Some Perf seps	230	\$130.00	\$20.00	
		1893 6 cent Columbian, Mint HR 1898 5 cent Trans-Mississippi, Mint, No Gum	235	\$100.00	\$12.00	
		1909 Alaska Yukon Perf & Imperf, Mint, No Guin	370-1	\$20.75	\$15.00	
		1909 Hudson Fulton, Perf & Imperf, Mint HR	372-3	\$30.00	\$8.00	
		1913 5 cent Golden Gate, Mint LH, Perf 23	399	\$70.00	\$14.00	
		1913 10 cent Discovery of SF Bay, Used	400	\$20.00	\$5.00	
		1912 1 cent Washington, Plate # strip of three, MNH	405	\$45.00	\$10.00	
		1914 12 cent Franklin Perf 10, Mint HR	405	\$40.00	\$10.00	
		1914 4 cent Washington Perf 10, Mint HR	417	\$32.50	\$8.00	
		1917 \$2 Madison, Used	479	\$40.00	\$10.00	
		1917 \$5 Marshall, Used	480	\$35.00	\$8.00	
		1913 3 cent Washington Imperf, MNH, some light creasing	483	\$24.00	\$6.00	
	the second s	1916-8 3 Different Coils Mint LH	486,488,489	\$8.15	\$3.00	
		1917 4 cent Washington Coil, MNH	495	\$21.50	\$7.00	
		1922 10 cent Franklin Coil, Mint LH	495	\$17.50	\$7.00	
		1917 5 cent Wahington, MNH	504	\$17.00	\$6.00	Nicely Centered
		1917 9 cent Franklin, MNH	509	\$25.00	\$6.00	Widely centered
		1923 9 cent Jefferson, MNH	561	\$25.00	\$5.00	
		1923 24 cent Jenny Airmail, Used	C6	\$27.50	\$7.00	
		1925-7 Airmail Map Set, MNH	C7-9	\$21.25		Nice Set!
		1930 5 cent Winged Globe, MNH	C12	\$17.50		Nicely Centered
		1937 Transpacific, MNH	C12 C20-22	\$ 21.40	\$7.00	Nicely Centered
		1987 Greetings Booklet	BK155	\$ 12.50	\$3.00	Nicely centered
			BK133 BKC11	\$ 30.00	\$8.00	
	Austria	1963 8 plane of Capitol Booklet, MNH	J72-4	\$ 23.75	\$5.00	
		1919 1k, 5k,10k, Postage Dues, Mint HR	77	\$ 32.50	\$5.00	
		1892 8p, Used	328-343	\$ 52.50	\$5.00	
		1970's Scenes set, MNH 1965 Sealife And Churchill Sets, MNH	267-80	\$10.10	\$7.00	
		1965 Seame And Churchin Sets, Minh 1888 1/2p Victoria, Mint HR	52	\$13.00	\$4.00	281-84
		1935 Silver Jubilee Set, Mint LH	117-120	\$15.75	\$5.00	201-04
	Bermuda	1874 6p Victoria, Used	5	\$17.00	\$4.00	
		1880 1/2p Victoria, Mint HR	16	\$9.00	\$3.00	
		1904 5 cent Lincoln, Used	6	\$80.00	\$16.00	
		1904 10 cent Webster, Used	8	\$60.00	\$10.00	
		1985 Dragon Boat Festival S/S, MNH	446b	\$ 30.00	\$6.00	
		1992 s Different World Expo S/S, MNH	629,656	\$ 12.50	\$3.00	
	long Kong	1992 2 different Olympic S/S, MNH	629,636 628,628a	\$ 12.50	\$3.00	
	reland	1992 2 different Olympic 5/5, MNH 1957 O'Crohan Set, MNH	159-60	\$ 8.50	\$3.00	
	Tanganyika	1921 2r G.E.A. Overprint, Mint HR's	4	\$ 8.50	\$15.00	
	Australia	1921 2r G.E.A. Overprint, Mint HK's	4	\$ 55.00	\$15.00	
	Austria	1970-1982 issues, MNH 1970's-1980's MNH Collection + a few Earlies Used		\$ 33.00	\$11.00	
	Costa Rica	Pre 1970 Collection of 300+, mostly Used, some duplication		\$70.00	\$14.00	
	Dominica			\$ 38.00	\$3.00	
		1974-1978 Issues and S/S, MNH		ο 56.00	\$7.00	
	Ethiopia Fiji	Over 100 mostly used on pages 50+ Mint and Used, a few MNH sets			\$3.00	
	-iji Guernsey	1970's-1980's MNH Collection, 25 sets & 2 Europa Sheets		\$ 52.00	\$3.00	
	reland	1970 S-1980 S MINH Collection, 25 Sets & 2 Europa Sheets 1988-1990 Issues, MNH		\$ 103.00	\$20.00	
				1	\$20.00	
		1970's-1980's MNH Collection, 18 sets & 4 S/S		\$31.00		
	ersey	1973-1983 28 sets & a few singles MNH		\$54.00	\$10.00	
	M countries	Misc M Countries Martinique and Manchukuo -90 stamps		\$ 70.00	\$10.00	
		1940's-1960's MNH - 26 stamps		\$ 28.90	\$5.00	
58 5	St Pierre & Miquelon San Marino	75 mint and Used Stamps, some better items 1960's-1970's MNH Collection		\$ 52.75	\$10.00 \$10.00	
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Salem Stamp Society April 2025 Bid Board



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Meetings

All meetings held at the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple, 4090 Commercial St. SE, Salem, OR.

Wednesday 16th April 2025. Starts at 7pm, Doors open at 6pm. Bid Board, Program: "Celebrating Butte, Montana's Copper Cachets" by Rajev Pandey

<u>Wednesday 21st May 2025.</u> Starts at 7pm, Doors open at 6pm. Members' Swap Night and Small Bid Board. S. & T.: "The Founding of the International Red Cross and the history of its Stamps" by Marc Dochez.

Pacific NW Stamp Shows and Bourses 2025-6 Local Events

Olympia Round Up Stamp & Coin Show, Saturday April 5th 2025 Columbia Hall, Lacey, WA 98516

SOPEX, Medford OR, June 26-7 2025

Repetitive Events:

Oregon Stamp Society: Rose City Stamp Fair -2nd Saturday of the month at OSS clubhouse 4828 NE 33rd Ave., Portland 9:00am-3:00 pm Collectors Corner - 4th Saturday of the month at OSS clubhouse 9:00 am.- 3:00 pm

2024-25 Major Shows:

PIPEX 2025, May 2-4, Monarch Hotel, Clackamas

WESTPEX April 25-27 2025, Burlingame, CA

BOSTSON 2026 World Expo, May 28-30 2026 at the Boston Convention Center