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Presidents message

Welcome to our Jan.- Feb. Newsletter.



Wes Falor Photo by Richard Tarbuck

Hope everyone had a great holiday season to finish out the year and hopefully it was a great year for you and yours. Nice to have you back Chester! Please remember that we are always interested in things to share. So come prepared to tell us of new finds or adventures you have had trying to locate a special item or items. Hopefully Santa was good to you this year and you have some new material to share with us.

While the weather has been very nice of late it does give us an excuse to spend more timer with our hobby. One of the things that can be useful at the start of the year is to asses where you are on projects and or collections and maybe make a decision to relocate. Many times we get to spread out as the year goes by and tend to get off track. Which is also fun. Continue on next page

Jan. 7th.MEETING

After the general meeting, there will be a show and tell that begins with The letter 'K'. Bring any questions you have about your collection or stamp collecting in general.

Feb. 4th MEETING

After the general meeting, there will be a show and tell that begins with the letter "L." Members are encouraged to come prepared with their choices. This will be followed by a <u>Silent Auction</u>. Bring any items you are interested in selling. Silent Auction forms can be downloaded from our website straitstamp.org. or use you search engine.

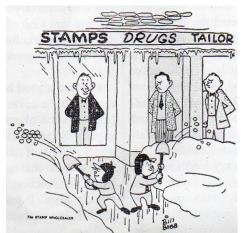
Free used periodicals and some club material available for sale.

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STRAIT STAMP TALK



From ASDA & Stamp Collector News

Jan. – Feb. Stamp Shows

Jan. 30-31	Greater	Eastside	Stamp	Show.
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- Feb. 7 Sno-King Syamp Club Show Everett,WA
- Feb. 14 Fenwick Stamp Show Seattle,WA

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2016 Stamp Program

Jan.-Feb, Issues

- value stamps are (Forever stamps.) Jan. Year of yhe Monkey (Lunar New Year) San Francisco,CA
- Jan. 12, **Quilled Paper Heart** Dallas, TX
- Jan. 29, **Botanical Art** Atlanta, GA (AmerStamp Expo) Feb. Richard Allen
- (Black Heritage)

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Continued from front page. But now we have the time to reorganize and redirect our efforts. Maybe it is time to collect a new area, or perhaps dig deeper into an areas of interest know I have to narrow down some of my personal collecting areas as I keep adding new ones and do not always remove ones I no longer have interest in because I think I might want io go back to that topic/area in the future. As is typical I and probably most of you tend not to do that. This is a good time to make some changes.

January is the letter K and will be a show and tell February is the letter L and there will be a silent auction. This where you can maybe sell some of your cleanouts.

May you all have a <u>Great 2016</u> Wes Falor



Secretary Cathie Osborne Notes

Here are notes from the December 3rd meeting.

There were 3 visitors, and they brought old collections to show and tell. Roger Heath did two presentations, one about APS candidates to support, and one about his new book, published last month in Germany! It is about razor Cancels ,and has copies for \$35 and \$45, If anyone wants one.

A vote was taken on ideas for our cancel and cachet this year. It will be the 100th Anniversary of the international Migratory Bird Treaty. Suggestions for designs were Seahawks and the Rufous Hummingbird.

The letter "J" brought out Jungles by Bruce, Jester Bells from Cathie. Roger brought a cover from a swiss hotel sent to JAPAN, and other sent to Switzerland from JALISCO, Mexico. Jim K. brought some lovely Civil War covers related to Andrew Jackson, one that he discovered that is only the second one known!

After coffee and cookie break, we had our silent auction, with lots of covering two and a half tables. Good turnout! Jim B. said he saved himself a lot of money because he didn't have a pen. Let it be known: Cathie always has pens! Jim made up for it by bidding in the live auction later.

Our mid-month meeting will be Dec. 16 from 9:30 – 11.30am at our house.r9ng show and tell, letter "J" If you forgot at the first meeting, and a thirst for coffee!

Happy New Year. Cathie The December 16th meeting at Cathie's home.

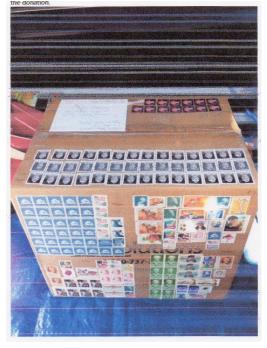
We had seven Strait Stamp Society members here this morning from 9:30 until almost noon. Neil G., Bruce H., Jim M., Grace, Karen, Dick, and Cathie. Neil brought some interesting mystery postcards some of which he had figured out, others still a mystery and he also brought some fun covers related to Andrew Jackson! Jim Mortland brought a trading book, Dick brought a box of penny stamps-and the donuts and fudge. Karen encyclopedias to find out about the Ryukyus; brought the Scott cataloge down for searching; went on line to find when a 10-pound British stamp was issued. And ate donuts and drank coffee. Discussed different printing methods and found examples. The time just flew!

Next MORNING meeting will be January 20, Wednesday at 9:30. Everyone's welcome. We have room for more!!

And if you don't have a "K" show and tell by our night meeting January 7, bring one the20th!

Thanks Cathie,,

A package that Karen Mckee Prepared and sent to APS that contained lots of stamps to young collectors. We heard back from Scott French the new CEO of APS thanking us for the donation.



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Editor Chester Masters Notes

Federated Philatelist newsletter has great news on our stamp club. Check Go to our web site STRAITSTAMPSOCIETY.ORG and click on newsletter. It tell about what Cathie Osborne been doing as our rep. And about some off are new members.

About myself have been down for 4 months with a left broken shoulder and now having a little problem now with my left leg when turning to transfer and may fall. Hope it gets better so can make the meeting. The meeting sound so interesting by Cathie's notes th at I missing out on you all your show and tell and auctions. The Foreign Stamp Identifier Dck McCammonm discovered it first and show it to our member in the past with our many new members I will show again. A most useful tool on the internet.

Foreign Stamp Identifier

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