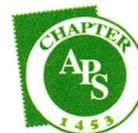




Strait Stamp Talk



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Your Stamp Collecting Newsletter

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Strait Stamp Society meets the first Thursday of the month at the Sequim Bible Church, 847 North Sequim Avenue, Sequim, Washington at 6:00-8:00 pm. No dues - Donations only. Strait Stamp Talk is a bi-monthly newsletter for the Strait Stamp Society. Send Philatelic news and articles to the editor Dick McCammon, 76 Roberson Rd., Sequim, WA 98382-7335.

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President's Message

Welcome to our Nov-Dec Newsletter



Photo by Karen Mckee

Wes Falor

Hope everyone is ready for the Fall Season, because it is already here, even if we are not ready. The turnout was down a bit at the last meeting, probably due to the Seahawks game, which I am sure was a bit of a let down for fans. At our November meeting, the letter of the month is "B" as Bhutan, Br. North Borneo, Brunei, Brunswick, Brazil, Baden, Burma and so on. To many "B" options to list. I am sure you will come up with some neat interpretations of you own.

Hopefully things are now going to settle down and we will not have another Covid surge as we go through the Holidays. There will be a show and tell, so come with a special something to share.

Nov 4th MEETING

At the meeting, there will be a show and tell that begins with the letter "B." There will be time for any other questions you have about stamps or stamp collecting.

Dec 2nd MEETING

At the meeting, there will be a show and tell that begins with the letter "C." This will be followed by a silent auction.

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Fuller takes Most Unusual



photo by C. McCammon

David Fuller won the Most Unusual Exhibit at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Strait Stamp Show at the Guy Cole Event Center, August 21, 2021, in Sequim. His exhibit was entitled "Garfield #205 and Postal Destinations."

The Exhibit displayed examples of single uses of the 5-cent Universal Postal Union (1874) rate to Treaty Countries around the World. Many of the covers, in addition to commercial uses, were from missionary and naval officers' correspondence. The single 5-cent rate paid for a one-ounce letter to Treaty Countries. A 5-cent postal rate in the 1880s is approximately equivalent to a \$1.35 rate in 2021. The displayed covers were collected over many years with attention to more challenging destinations.



Felts takes Most Attractive



photo by C. McCammon

Vera Felts won the Most Attractive Exhibit at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Strait Stamp Show at the Guy Cole Event Center, August 21, 2021, in Sequim. Her exhibit was entitled "Sequim's Favorite Plant on Stamps."

It's lavender.

Lavender (*Lavandula*) is a member of the 47 known species of the mint plant family (*Lamiaceae*). It is native especially to the Mediterranean area, and from India to southwest Asia and throughout Europe.

Many species of Lavender are cultivated in temperate climates as ornamental plants, for the extraction of essential oils, and for use as culinary herbs. The color "lavender" is named for the shade of the flowers of *Lavandula sugusttifolis*.

Lavender has been used in traditional medicine and cosmetics for centuries. For most people, however, it is treasured for its beauty, aroma and flavor. For folks from Sequim, it is a source of community pride.



Heath takes Most Philatelic



photo by C. McCammon

Roger Heath won the Most Philatelic Exhibit at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Strait Stamp Show at the Guy Cole Event Center, August 21, 2021, in Sequim. His exhibit was entitled "Francis Portier — Swiss Artist." (1876-1961)

The Exhibit illustrates the work of a Swiss artist as found on postcards and from reproductions of posters he created during his career.



Mystery Stamp Revealed



MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE!



Newblom takes Most Educational



photo by C. McCammon

Judy Newblom won the Most Educational Exhibit at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Strait Stamp Show at the Guy Cole Event Center, August 21, 2021, in Sequim. Her exhibit was entitled "Barriers, Breakthroughs & Bravery" Women Pioneers in the Race to Space.

The theme of the exhibit was about the Women Pioneers in the Race to Space from 1959 to 1986. The display exhibit utilized philatelic material such as stamps, covers, postcards and non-philatelic ephemera along with other noteworthy items of historical significance to tell the story of the women pioneers who tried, successful or not, to break the barriers of a "men's only" profession.

Newblom takes Large Vermeil at SEAPEX



photo by V. Felts

Judy Newblom took a **Large Vermeil** for her Multi-Frame exhibit "*Barriers, Breakthroughs and Bravery*" at the SEAPEX 2021 Show held September 12-14th, Tukwila Community Center, Tukwila, WA 98168. The theme of the exhibit was about the Women Pioneers in the Race to Space from 1959 to 1986. The display exhibit utilized philatelic material such as stamps, covers, postcards and non-philatelic ephemera along with other noteworthy items of historical significance to tell the story of the women pioneers who tried, successful or not, to break the barriers of a "men's only" profession. Additional significant events that took place prior, during and after this period are included for a more relevant perspective of these women and their place in history.



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Hanging Out to Dry



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Nicholas Howes, Ian McCammon and Catherine McCammon (not shown) in the process of repainting and upgrading of exhibit frames for future shows



Pres. Message (continued from Page 24)

For our December meeting, the letter of the month is "C" as in Canada, Czech. , colonies, Cilicie, Chiffre Tax, Canton, Costa Rica, Confederate States, cannon, coffee, Consular Fees, cover and again many many more. We will have a silent auction so bring something that will tempt all of us to place bids, so we can add something special to our collections for a personal Christmas gift. Please remember also that show and tell of an item you wish to share, is always appropriate. Hope this finds everyone well and enjoying the holiday season.