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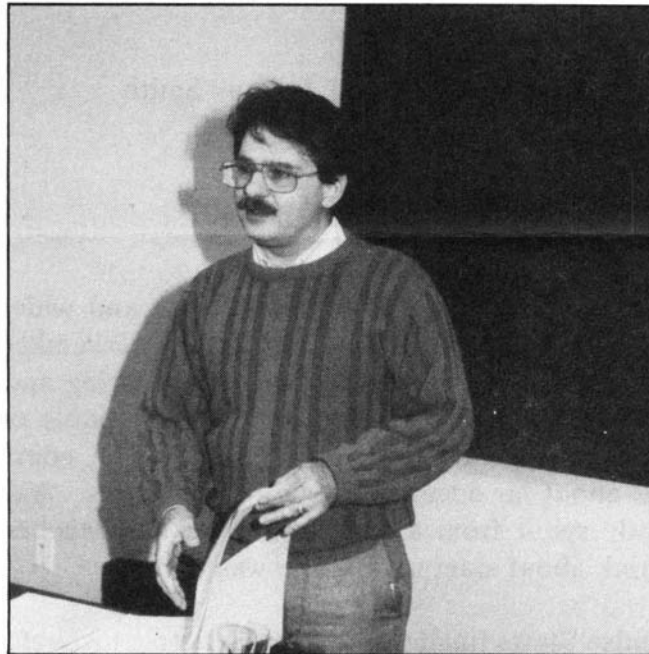
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LATUCHIE AUCTION SCHEDULED FOR MARCH PARTY

As reported in the last Perryscope, Herb LaTuchie will be running a floor auction at our next March Party. It will be held Saturday afternoon at the Masonic Temple, probably in the Gold Room on the third level. The photo above shows Bob Patetta, Herb's office manager, as he spoke to G-P at the October 30th meeting on the involved and complicated steps necessary to carry out a successful auction sale. It was a most interesting talk and we were assured that Herb is pulling out all the stops for a topnotch sale at our show.

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NEWS OF MEMBERS

Many of our local G-P members have been travelling far and wide this fall. **Dick and Bobbie Jones** were in New Zealand for parts of October and November. The Club received several interesting post cards from them while they were touring and Dick has agreed to tell us about his travels in a program January 15. Another couple on the move was **Bob and Julie Stanger** who just returned from a tour of the east coast of South America. Perhaps Bob will tell us about his adventures one of these days. And finally, **Marge and Norm Townsend** recently spent from a week or so on the beaches of Florida. Norm probably didn't even think about stamps while he was there.

It looks like **Jay and Denise Stotts** finally made it to Houston, just before the nasty weather started up here in Ohio. Several of us have received cards telling that the move went smoothly and they're busy trying to get settled in their huge(!) new house but do admit that Friday evenings seem empty without the G-P meetings.

It is still a little ways away but **Marie and Grant Ricksecker** will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on March 3rd. I'm sure the Club joins me in wishing them a very special day and many more happy returns.

In the October issue of The American Philatelist, member **Simine Short** had published a 16-page article on collecting air mail stamps and covers. A very interesting piece!

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ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE NEXT QUARTER

Unless noted otherwise, all meetings convene at 8 PM in the Holiday Inn - Lakeside, Lakeside Avenue at E. 12th Street. Ask at the desk or check the events calendar for the room number -- it is usually on the 18th floor, frequently Room 1825. Most of us come early and have dinner together in the dining room around 6 PM. The food is moderately priced and very tasty. And Leia, our regular waitress, often has a surprise for us in the form of a bit of home-made candy or a small square of cheese cake. Why don't you join us?

- Jan 8 Installation of officers and trustees and reading of the annual reports.
- Jan 15 Dick Jones - **New Zealand** Dick and his wife Bobbie just returned from a month-long trip down under and we're anxious to hear how many good stamps he found.
- Jan 22 Bourse Night - Bring your duplicates and unwanted material to generate cash for the **March Party** bourse.
- Jan 29 Steve Kaplan - **The Development of the Reply Postal Card in the U.S.** with Illustrations of Patents and Samples and Essays.
- Feb 5 Dick Jaeger - **Revenues** Dick is finally going to give us a program on his favorite topic.
- Feb 12 Dick Parker - **Cuyahoga County West of the River**
- Feb 19 Grant Ricksecker - **The British Caribbean** If you've seen some of Grant's material you won't want to miss this one.
- Feb 26 To be announced.
- Mar 5 Frank Cavano - **Hungarian Peasant's Revolt, 1415** Frank is doing research on stamps commemorating this event.
- Mar 12 Final preparations for the **March Party**
- Mar 19 - 21 **The 103rd Anniversary March Party** Masonic Auditorium, E.36 & Euclid Avenue
- Mar 26 "Show and Tell" An opportunity to brag about the overpriced stamps and covers you bought at the March Party bourse.
- Apr 6 The Traditional Recap of the **March Party**. Will it be another winner?

Can you help with a program next quarter? If so, contact the editor or one of the Club officers.

NEWS OF MEMBERS, Continued...

Phil Stager writes from St. Petersburg that he ran into some GPers at FLOREX, including the Stotts and Bob Peters, and that his VD exhibit took another gold there. It did not fare quite so well at VAPEX which he attributes to the judges. We understand Phil is now president of the local stamp club. He also noted that he regularly watches the weather to see how much snow is falling in Cleveland and that while they've had some cool nights (40's) his pool is holding steady at 75 degrees. Sounds like tough duty!!

We had a nice letter from member **Robert W. Richardson**, now of Bellefonte, PA, who joined G-P as an associate member in 1932 and has maintained his membership ever since. Bob sent along some seven pages of anecdotes he remembers about G-P during the 30's and 40's when he and several other Akronites would drive to Cleveland more or less regularly to attend meetings. Your editor will be including some of these short pieces in the Perryscope for the next several issues. The first of these stories, which we have titled **A BACKWARD GLANCE** appears on page 5.

Former G-P president **Don Bianchi** has entered an exhibit in March Party '92 which represents his first attempt in national competition. He and Betsy plan on driving to Cleveland on Thursday, set-up day, to give us a welcome hand with the exhibits and to visit with old friends.

EDITOR'S CORNER

We hope, and trust, readers will notice a change for the better in the format of this issue of the Perryscope. Your editor has had the good fortune of acquiring an old computer and a new laser jet printer, the combination of which allows a much higher quality printed product. We haven't yet completely mastered this powerful combination but progress is being made little by little. This issue is really the first attempt to create an extended document, and I have had to learn as it went along. Next time it will go much faster, I'm certain.

This won't be a long message but I do want to call your attention to a couple of items. First, the March Party is just a few months away and while the committee appears to have most everything under control, we extend a cordial invitation to all members to participate by attending, or helping, if possible. It's a great time to get together, meet old friends, and add to your collection. This year's stable of dealers should be better than ever.

Finally, we have just had an election of trustees and sent out dues notices for 1993. I am always hopeful we will get some new blood on the board but it seems as if most of the old trustees get reelected because they are familiar names to the voting membership. Perhaps some of us old geezers should quit running. But it is hard to come up with a full slate per the by-laws. Anyway, thanks to all of you who took the time and trouble to vote, and thanks, too, to the many who sent in a little extra donation with their dues. It really amazes us how generous some of you are. And it helps us maintain the dues level although one of these days we'll have to raise the associate dues fee; it hardly covers the cost and postage for the Perryscope.

BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL!!

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A BACKWARD GLANCE

Robert W. Richardson

Editor's note: This is the first of several short guest columns on recollections by the author of some G-P events long ago. There will be more memories recounted in future issues of the Perryscope.

In between serious things like talks, the "entertainment" at times was surprises at the annual banquet. Those of us who drove up from the "Rubber City" enjoyed and looked forward to ... "what's next?". There was the time when, as the waiters were clearing the tables, there suddenly occurred a great crash of silverware as two waiters with large trays of used silver collided, knives, forks and spoons cascading over and around the startled banqueteers. An argument ensued with both waiters peeling off their jackets and putting on quite a boxing match. You guessed it; the "waiters" were two actors hired by a committee member from a local "stable".

Another occasion called for some serious music. The sound systems were just coming into use and few stages, certainly not the one at the Hollenden, had wiring in place for speakers, microphones, and so forth. For years performers had to be wary of wires laying around, often getting their feet entangled in them. This one particular year a local singer of renown, and an Italian Count, came striding onto the stage, head held high, his spiked Victor Emmanuel mustache waxed to fine points, but just as he reached the podium, he tripped on one of those deadly wires and went sliding a good six feet on his nose! The pianist, a giant woman, strode over, picked him up like a rag doll, adjusted his clothing, and while the audience was choking on suppressed giggles and laughter, the Count calmly and with great skill gave a wonderful performance of Verdi arias, etc. The audience applauded warmly. But for years afterwards, when someone was trying to recall a date, it would be "... it was the year before the count slid on his nose..." or "...no, it was the year after".

MARCH PARTY NEWS

This will be the last issue of the Perryscope before the March Party so we'll do our best to bring the membership up to date on where we stand at the moment.

The show is scheduled for the weekend of March 19 - 21. Bourse and exhibition will be at the Masonic Auditorium, E. 36th & Euclid Avenue, with the Holiday Inn - Lakeside serving as the headquarters hotel and also the site of the Friday night Wine and Cheese Reception and the Awards Banquet on Saturday evening. This will be the first time we've held the banquet at the show hotel in many years, but we felt the convenience and some modest economy justified the change.

At our last MP committee meeting it was reported that we are within five or six dealers of having a full bourse. Invitations went to some new dealers high on the waiting list.

Although there have been numerous requests to exhibit, application returns have not matched the pace of previous years and only about half the available frames have been

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reserved. So, if any of you have been procrastinating, you are still in luck; space is still available and we will be happy to send you the proper forms. Call or write Dale Pulver at the address noted on page 2.

For those who might be coming in from out-of-town and in need of a hotel room, the Club has secured a group rate with the Holiday Inn. Singles are \$67/night and doubles \$72 plus the usual taxes. You may call the hotel direct: (216) 241 5100, or contact Tony Smith who has reservation cards. Be sure to mention Garfield-Perry to get the preferential rate.

Set-up day is Thursday, March 18, and the committee could use all the help it can get. If you can spare some time, come on down! We'll begin work about 9 AM.

ON THE EXHIBITION CIRCUIT

We'll stick with this heading for this issue since there were no complaints on its use last time. There is not too much to report again, in spite of the fact that there were some major shows in the months since the last Perryscope.

Vince Lucas won a large vermeil at GENOVA 92, a world thematic stamp exhibition held in mid-September, for his thematic exhibit "The Lepidoptera". That show avoided near disaster on the last day when torrential rains in Italy caused widespread flooding in Genoa which also affected the show site. Fortunately, quick work by the committee saved the day and all exhibits were dismounted without damage.

Gordon Wean captured a gold medal and the A.P.S. pre-1900 medal at INDEPEX 92 with his improved exhibit "Commercial Uses of the Trans Mississippi Issue". Gordon spoke to the Club on November 6 and we were able to see some of the newest additions to this fine study. He has acquired some truly remarkable, and beautiful pieces, since the last time he gave a program to G-P on this subject.

At the Philadelphia National Stamp Exhibition (SEPAD) **Bob Stanger** walked away with the Reserve Grand Award for "New Hampshire Stampless Covers, 1743 - 1857". Bob has been doing exceptionally well with this fine exhibit during its last few outings.

PHILITEX92, held October 28 - November 2 in Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York City, was billed as the First International Philatelic Literature Exhibition in North America. The two recent G-P publications, the Club history and the Cleveland postmarks, were entered in competition. A vermeil medal was awarded to **Tom Allen** for "19th Century Cleveland, Ohio Postal Markings", and a silver medal was given to **Dale Pulver** for "The Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, 1890 - 1990: A Brief History". Good awards considering the scope and subject matter of these two works. Associate member **Peter McCann** won a large silver for his collaboration on "The Postal History of the Cayman Islands", and **Simine Short** was awarded a silver medal for "Glider Mail". There were, in all, over 600 literature entries in competition.

We apologize for any inadvertent omissions in this round-up of philatelic accomplishments. If your name is missing please send a note to the editor and we will include it next time.

SCENES FROM THE CLUBHOUSE

A fond farewell to Jay and Denise Stotts, October 30, 1992.



Steve Kaplan, who organized the project, shows one of the pages members prepared for a "Memory Album" presented to Jay and Denise.



Jay shows a "Farewell" plaque Frank Knurek created and which was signed by many G-P members.

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