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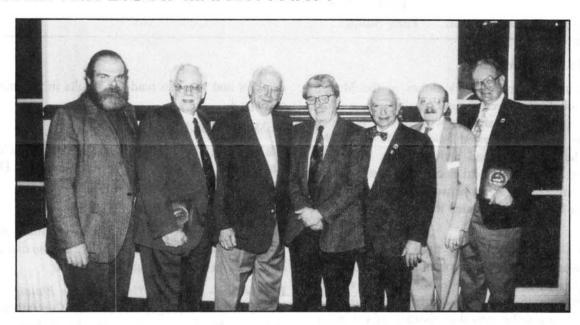
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ELEVEN WIN BIG AT MARCH PARTY



The photo above shows seven of the eleven gold medal winners at our recent show. They received their just rewards at the traditional awards banquet at the University Club Saturday evening March 22nd. From left to right are: George Buza, Richard H. Parker, Dr. Frank L. Shively, Dr. John L. Robertson, Donald E. Greene, Thomas F. Allen, and Eliot Landau.

Don Greene, a Californian, won the Grand Award and Tom Allen took the Reserve Grand in a field of some very stiff competition. A complete list of exhibits, exhibitors, and the prizes they won appears on page 4. Major awards were lead crystal bowls.

Gold medals were given to more than half of the exhibits entered in competition. There were four vermeils, five silvers, and one silver-bronze medals to round out the awards.

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NEWS OF MEMBERS

We were glad to see Dick Jones at the March Party on Friday even though he did look a little bleary-eyed. Dick and his wife Bobbie had just returned from an extended holiday in Australia. In fact, he said, they had arrived home Thursday evening and his biological clock was all messed up. There are 12 time zones between Australia and the eastern U.S. That explains the dazed look on his face!

Vince Lucas stopped by the show for a few hours on Saturday. As we reported in the last Perryscope, Vince has moved to Mexico. He was in town to close the sale of his condo in Westlake and would return to his new digs shortly. If you wish to contact him, write to his old address and the mail will be forwarded.

It was good to see so many of our out-of-town members at the show. Jav & Denise Stotts, arrived Thursday to help with the set-up as did Don Bianchi. Phil Stager, sporting an enviable Florida tan and his black bowler, was also on hand for the work party.

Jay and Phil were members of the jury at this year's show.

Drs. Frank Shively & John Robertson, two more of our loyal out-of-town members, were among the exhibitors this year. Both did very well with their

displays and you can read the results in the palmares on page 4.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome Jim Potter of Bay Village to our ranks. Jim collects U.S. plate blocks and Germany. He has been assigned membership number 1574.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

March Party time is always a good opportunity to sign up new members for our Club. Here are the names and brief data on those who applied this year:

Bill Welch - Editor of The American Philatelist and mayor of State College, PA. Collects Central America and other local areas, especially the Seebeck Issues. His membership number will be 1575.

Rob Haeseler - Senior editor at Linn's Stamp News in Sidney, OH. Ron just moved to Ohio from the west coast and it was his first visit to a G-P March Party. Collecting interests are U.S. postal stationery and postal history. Membership # 1576.

Ann Triggle - After many years of attending our shows, Ann has decided to join as an associate member. She hails from Clarence, NY and collects postal history, thematics and postal stationery. # 1577.

Richard Collier - Richard is an attorney from Moreland Hills and collects U.S. and Worldwide used. He will have membership number 1578.

MEETING PROGRAMS

Here is a list of the entertainment scheduled for our Friday night meetings in the next quarter.

- April 11 Members participation "My Best Purchase at the March Party." An opportunity to crow about that spectacular stamp or cover you stole from your favorite dealer.
- April 18 Member auction A chance to weed out your duplicate material. Limit five lots. There will be no commission for G-P.
- April 25 **Dick Parker**, one of the deans of Ohio postal history, will lecture on "Ohio Post Offices & Covers before May 1, 1816."
- May 2 Members participation Other Hobby Night. This always popular subject will give you a chance to update your fellow members on those other diversions that occupy your spare time.
- May 9 Reg Morris "Great Britain, a Specialty Collection." Don't miss this one; Reg always has a good story to tell.
- May 16 Dick Jones "My Latest Trip to Australia." Let's hear about what led to his fatigue at the March Party.
- May 23 Terry Martzial "Zeppelin Mail." Terry has made a specialty of this area for many years and has some really nice material to show us.
- May 30 No Meeting Memorial Day Weekend.
- June 6 APS Slide Show "The Universal Postal Union," by Alex L. ter Braake. This will have to be the treat for those of us who can't make it to PACIFIC 97.
- June 13 Dick Parker "Post Cards on 'My Home Town,' Rochester, VT."
- June 20 Tom Allen & others Review of PACIFIC 97. A chance to find out what really went on at the big show in San Francisco.
- June 27 **Donna Jean Mehok** "Christmas Stamps and Seals." We have it on good authority that this is a very interesting presentation.
- July 4 No Meeting Independence Day Weekend.



THE EDITOR'S CORNER

With this issue of the *Perryscope* I trust you will notice an upgrade in the format and graphics. Last fall I acquired a new computer with all sorts of advanced software and capabilities. It has taken me a while to master some of its finer points but finally I screwed up enough courage to plow ahead with this newsletter. There is still a lot to learn but I've made the first step. I hope readers who see goofs will be indulgent of my

learning status.

We've just wrapped up another of the legendary March Parties and since we don't have a special story on it in this issue, it's appropriate that I make a few comments.

From my perspective it came off rather smoothly. For the most part, the weather cooperated although it was a bit brisk on setup day (Thursday). Cold drafts swept through the hall whenever our college student helpers were moving dealers in through the north doors. Exhibit mounting went quite rapidly, thanks, mostly, to the abundance of experienced help and timely arrival of out-of-town exhibitors. The entire floor was set up before 6 PM.

As the doors opened on Friday, we had the usual



ST. LOUIS EXPO 97

COLOPEX 97

MARCH PARTY 97

Steve Kaplan and Dale Pulver entered one-frame exhibits in the national level show at St. Louis the weekend of March 7. And both did very well. Steve won a gold for "International Usage of the First U.S. Postal Card." Dale won a platinum and Champion of the One-Frame class for his "Mexico: Postal Fraud & the 'Anotado' Overprints - 1868 Issue."

There were no entries in the Columbus show from the Cleveland area members but **Dr. Frank Shively**, **Jr.** from Dayton exhibited his Klondike Revenue Stamp collection at that show. He was rewarded with a gold medal for his efforts as well as the Reserve Grand award. Nice going, Frank!

Here are the complete results of our recent March Party:

Donald E. Greene was the big winner. He took the Grand Award, a gold medal, the G-P Best U.S. and the B.I.A. awards for "'Patent Medicine' Companies Subject to the Revenue Act of 1862."

Tom Allen also went home with a box-full of prizes. In addition to a Gold medal, he won the Reserve Grand, G-P Best Postal History, Best Exhibit by an Active G-P Member, and the Postal History Society medal. His exhibit was "CLEVELAND (to 1868)."

Golds also went to: George Buza for "Trianon: Hungary's 1st Inflation Period"; Sam Zimmerman, Jr., for "Confederate States of America," also the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society medal; Harlan F. Stone, for "1828 - 1845 French-Swiss Cantonal Accountancy Marks," also G-P Award for Best Foreign; Frank M. Waitr, for his "CRACOW (KRAKOW) Postal History Before World War I;" Blake Myers, for "Trans-Oceanic Mail - The United States and the Confederacy During the Civil War, 1861 - 1865, "also APS pre-1900 Medal of

Excellence; Eliot A. Landau, for "Abraham Lincoln of the Stamps and Postal History of the United States - From Congress Through the Memorial Issues"; Richard H. Parker, for "Erie County, Ohio Postal History," also APS Research Award; Dr. John L. Robertson, for "United States Free Franks," and Dr. Frank Shively, Jr. for CANADA: The Klondike District - A Revenue Stamp Story."

Vermeil medals were awarded to: Ernest L. Bergman for "Switzerland and World War II," also APS post-1940 medal of Excellence; Robert S. Borden, for "New Bedford's Postal History"; Bill Welch, for "The Seebecks of El Salvador"; and Victor Nieset, for "The 1934 - 35 National Parks Issue," also AAPE Award.

Silver medals went to: William J. Drummond who showed "ELLAN VANNIN: Isle of Man"; Robert W. Collins, with "Korean War"; Duke Burklow, for "Early Canadian Airmail - "An Experiment in Privatization," 1924 - 1934 Private Commercial Airlines"; Edward L. Kerr II, for "Lick and Stick Plate Numbered Coils (Water Active Glue Coils from 1981 to the Present)"; and Larry Cohn, for "Holyland and Palestine Revenues."

And finally, a Silver-Bronze to Alejandro Grossmann E., for the "Cathedral of Puebla."

This year's competition was dominated by exhibits of exceptional quality. It was one of the strongest arrays we've had since becoming a recognized national level show. From a quality point perspective it scored 4.19 (5 = G, 1 = B).

FOR SALE

This was the last year for our 12-page glass fitted frames. Next year we will use the 16-page aluminum frames that have become standard with most national shows. Our old ones are available to clubs, dealers or individuals who might use them for display purposes.

\$7.50 or \$5.00 each, depending on condition (Contact Editor or Club Officer) (Continued from page 3)

mob scene of people anxious to visit their favorite dealers. Attendance on Friday was very good, slightly more than last year. Saturday's crowd was about normal and overall attendance, taking into account a rather slow Sunday afternoon nudged 2400 for the three days the show was open.

From all reports, the dealers seemed to be very happy with their business volume. Most seem to feel if they've covered their expenses on Friday afternoon when the serious collectors have their buying frenzy, they will have a good weekend. Their mood at the Friday night wine and cheese reception is an indication of this and there seemed to be a lot of smiling faces at that event.

The exhibit was a strong one. There were 31 exhibits in all, ten of which were one-frame. Of the 21 in the traditional category, 11 were awarded gold medals. It was a tough field if you were an exhibitor hoping to gain an easy gold or vermeil with less than well groomed display. I presume one or two exhibitors were disappointed, but I also know several that were delighted with the results. The full palmares is recorded in the "Winners Circle" feature on page 4.

And did you local members see the nice article by Dennis Sadowski about our show in the Living Section of the Thursday, March 20 *Plain Dealer?* This is the second year Dennis has given us a very nice plug and we appreciate his efforts.

Another journalist duly impressed with our show was Rob Haeseler of *Linn's Stamp News*. Rob was in town covering the show and went on to write a big story about our Club for the April 14 issue of *Linn's*, pg. 18. He also decided to join our Club.

As we've noted in previous issues of the *Perryscope*, this was the last year for our 12-page glass frames. As of March Party '98 we will be mounting exhibits in the standard 16-page free standing aluminum frames most national level shows now use. We have contracted to buy 200 of these frames from PACIFIC 97.

Meanwhile, if you know of a stamp club or other organization who might be in the market for some perfectly serviceable display frames, we have them. And the price is right — \$7.50 for the newer ones, and \$5.00 for the older ones. We sold quite a few

right off the floor at the March Party. Some members bought a couple for their personal use. In lots of 20, we will include the carts we use to move the frames. It's a great deal!

For those of you members with access to the Internet, have you visited the Garfield-Perry website yet? It was created and is maintained by member Tom Mahon. The website pages include our Friday meeting program schedule and other news items. It also provided complete information on our March Party prior to the shows opening. Here is the Website address:

http://members.aol.com/GPSTAMP/GPSC.html

The address is case sensitive so be sure you type it in exactly as it appears in the box.

See you next time.

DRP

Here's a date to mark on your calendar:

August 17

will be the annual Garfield-Perry Picnic held at the Parker's in Westlake, OH. More details in the next *Perryscope*.

LA GANKE SERVICE PLAQUE GOES TO JACK WHITTLESEY

The LaGanke Service Award for 1996 was awarded posthumously to one of our most loyal and dedicated members who passed away in 1996. Jack's obituary appeared in the *Perryscope* for July/Dec in which we noted his many philatelic accomplishments and contributions to our Club.

It was just a year ago during the March Party weekend that Jack made a generous gift to G-P to cover the entire cost of our new exhibition frames. At the time he stipulated that the gift be anonymous until his death. Little did we know then he was in the terminal stages of cancer. Jack also provided an unrestricted bequest for the Club in his will.

The awards committee felt this, coupled with years of effort on behalf of the Club when he was active, qualified him for this award.

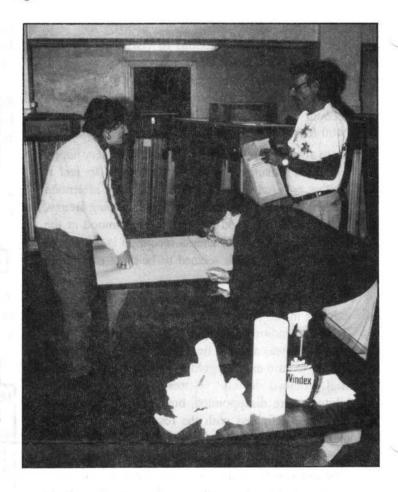
SCENES FROM THE MARCH PARTY

Thursday, March 20, Set-Up Day

Thanks to a great turn-out of members and friends, the mounting of exhibits proceeded smoothly and rapidly. By 6 PM all exhibits had been mounted and set up and we were able to retire to the Hunan Restaurant for the first of our parties for a day well spent.

At right: Ann Triggle and Phil Stager prepare to mount an exhibit as Denise Stotts carefully cleans glass for the frame. >>

Below: Bill Welch, Editor of *The American Philatelist*, and an old friend of G-P, lays out the pages of his El Salvador Seebeck Issues exhibit as Jay Stotts, Gene deSimone and Dale Pulver look on.





Eating Chinese, Thursday evening.



Wine, Cheese & Stamp Talk - Friday Evening



Shawn Wilson, Tom Allen, Tony Smith, Dick Graham & Steve Kaplan.



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