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GARFIELD-PERRY AT PACIFIC 97



Here are a few of the G-P members who attended PACIFIC 97 in San Francisco who were rounded up for a group photo. Standing, from left to right: Steve Kaplan, Reg Morris, Tom Allen, Bob Toth, Bill Welch, Kent Johnson and Tony Smith. Kneeling, Tom Mahon, Denise Stotts and Shawn Wilson.

Several others were there including Bill Crowe, Jay Stotts, John Robertson, and Dick Winter.

Reports from the show were unfailingly favorable, although many said it was so large they had difficulty seeing everything they wanted to and still find time to visit with many friends. More details and G-P winners in the competition will be found inside.

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NEWS OF MEMBERS

Dick and Loretta Parker have been travelling again, mostly to the adjoining states to the south of Ohio. A comical post card sent to the Club from Lexington, KY showed several women going after a U.S.P.S. standard blue mail drop box. The caption read "Politically Correct Male Bashing." It also had an interesting pictorial cancellation showing a galloping horse, touting Lexington as the "Horse Capital of the World."

Bob and Julie Stanger have been away, too, helping with a new grandchild. Sorry we don't have more details.

Tom Mahon drove cross country to attend PACIFIC 97 and renewed an old tradition of mailing post cards home from stops along the way. We saw some of them the evening we discussed the show. Of three sent to the Club, one came from Carthage, MO on old Route 66, and another from Clines Corners, NM, with an aerial photo of this tiny crossroads hamlet. On the way home, he sent one from Marysville, KS, site of Pony Express Station No.1.

Our associate member from the Buffalo area, **Ann Trigg**, has been elected a director of the American Philatelic Society.

NECROLOGY

Since the last issue of the *Perryscope*, we have

lost at least two long time members. On May 1, 1997, **Leo Jadus** passed away. Leo joined G-P in 1951 and carried membership number 1017. Although he had not been very active recently, he usually managed to attend one or two meetings a year and rarely missed the wine and cheese reception at the March Parties. Leo had an engaging, friendly personality that served him well in his insurance business, and was fun to be with. Rest in peace, Leo.

Jerry B. Devol, an associate member since 1960 passed away April 2 in Marietta, OH where he had lived his entire life. He was descended from one of the original families that settled that area and had a lifelong interest in the postal history of Ohio.

Jerry was considered one of the preeminent students of the history of the Northwest Territory and had collaborated with Dick Graham in writing a book on that subject titled *The Establishment of the First U.S. Government Post Offices in the Northwest Territory*. He specialized in the postal history of Washington County which originally included about half of the entire state. Although the owner of a vast collection of this material, he rarely exhibited competitively. But he was always willing to share his knowledge with other collectors.

Jerry was a regular visitor to our March Parties and a good friend of our Club. We'll miss him.

MEETING PROGRAMS

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

- July 11 **Tom Mahon** - "My Home Town, Chagrin Falls, Ohio" another of the popular talks by local members on where they grew up or spent much of their lifetime.
- July 18 **Dick Jones** - "Australia, Part II" Dick's program will cover the second half of this year's trip to the continent "down under."
- July 25 **Shawn Wilson** - "Part 2 of 1851 - 57 3¢ Issues on Cover." Shawn will include some insight he picked up at PACIFIC 97 with the Classics Society study group.
- Aug 1 **Reg Morris** - "14th World Scout Jamboree" Always a good show from Reg.
- Aug 8 **Gayland Stehle** - "My Skimpy Collection of Post Cards & Covers"
- Aug 15 **Dick Parker** - "Post Cards from Cleveland" If this is anything like Dick's last talk on post cards, we're in for a real treat.
- Aug 17 A Sunday - **Our Annual Picnic**. It will be held at the Parker estate in Westlake. Leisurely visiting starts 2:30 - 3:00 PM; food will be served about 4:30.
- Aug 22 APS Slide Show, subject to be announced - This is the weekend of Stampshow 97
- Aug 29 No Meeting. Labor Day Weekend.
- Sept 5 Stampshow Review
- Sept 12 Clothesline Night. Bring a new find to share with your friends.
- Sept 19 **Kent Johnson** - "Transatlantic Mail, 1799 - 1903, Ohio Only"
- Sept 26 **Tom Allen** - "Early Ohio Postal History"



THE EDITOR'S CORNER

I used the clip-art cartoon above to illustrate my last Editor's Corner and favorable feedback compels me to continue with it. One wag said he liked my new haircut. Outrageous, isn't it?

After PACIFIC 97, excitement in the philatelic arena seems to have tapered off. Everyone who attended the big show appears to have had a good time. But some complained that it was just too big and too spread out to experience the ambience of a large, regular show. Anyway, it will be another ten years before we have the opportunity of another such event in the U.S.

The new aluminum frames we bought from this show have arrived in northeast Ohio and are

temporarily stored at Tony Smith's new business location in Avon Lake. We thank him, his sons, and Frank Knurek for seeing to it they were properly unloaded after their long journey. Meanwhile we need to redouble our efforts to dispose of our old frames so there is room at the Masonic Auditorium for our new ones.

Contrary to my expectations at least, there seems to be almost no demand for our beloved wood and glass exhibition frames. We sold about 25 at the close of the March Party but a couple of pending deals for larger quantities have fallen through. If any readers of this *Perryscope* know of a stamp club or other organization who could use our frames for display purposes, please have them contact us. They can be had quite inexpensively, certainly far, far less than their replacement cost. We are anxious to move them out.

And don't forget our annual picnic, August 17. This is always a fun event and the Parkers are consummate hosts. Details elsewhere.

'Til next time....

DRP



G-P MEMBERS
SCORE WELL AT
PACIFIC 97

In comparing the Palmares from PACIFIC 97 with our latest membership list, we find that on the whole, G-P members did rather well in the competitions at that world scale stamp show.

Robert L. Markovits won a Large Gold for his exhibit, "The United States Officials 1873 - 1884, A Specialized Showing." Bob was also awarded a special prize for his display.

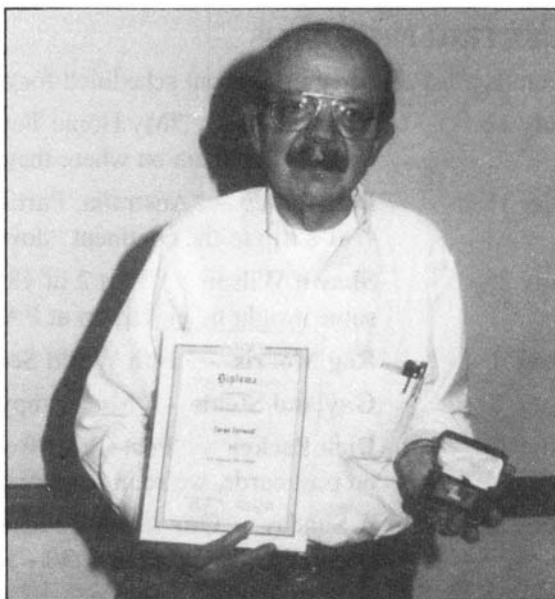
Dick Winter also garnered a Large Gold for his specialized showing of "U.S. - France Mails by Steamship: 1838 to General Postal Union." And Dick, too, was the recipient of a special prize for his efforts.

The Club had three winners in the Large Vermeil category:

Jay Stotts won a LV medal for his specialized study, "United States: Rate Usages of the Fourth Bureau Issue." As most of us know, Jay has worked hard on this collection for many years and is a recognized authority on the subject. Jay authored an acclaimed series of articles on this issue for the BIA journal a few years back.

Tom Allen also took a LV for his exhibit on a local theme, "Cleveland (To 1868)." Tom showed this collection in its pared down version for PACIFIC 97 at the last March Party where he captured the Reserve Grand and a bunch of other awards. He, too, has worked hard on this study for many years. And it is good to see that international judges will give such a fine reward to an in-depth study of narrow geographic scope.

And finally, **Dave Wessely** received an LV for "The Bechuanalands," another exhibit we have seen at our March Party competitions. Dave was a last minute entry, being called in after other accepted entries withdrew from competition. We believe this is the first time Dave has



*Tom Allen with his Certificate and Large Vermeil
PACIFIC 97 Medal*

competed internationally, and what a fine result for his efforts!

Our Florida escapee, **Phil Stager**, competed in the thematic category and won a Vermeil medal for his "Ailments of Venus."

And **Blake Myers** won a Large Silver for "Trans-Oceanic Mail - The United States and the Confederacy During the Civil War, 1861 - 1865."

In the Literature section, our new member **Bill Welch** received a Gold Medal for his editorship of *The American Philatelist* and a Vermeil Medal for *Philatelic Literature Review*.

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)

MORE PACIFIC 97 NEWS AND VIEWS



The smiling faces of six survivors of PACIFIC 97. L to R, Tom Mahon, Tony Smith, Bob Toth, Tom Allen, Shawn Wilson and Reg Morris.

Here's the face of the post card Tom Mahon sent from Marysville, KS, showing the Pony Express Station No. 1, a relic of a much celebrated but short-lived mail carrying enterprise.



DON'T FORGET THE ANNUAL G-P PICNIC, August 17, 1997. To make reservations, call Dick Parker - (216) 871 8544, or Tony Smith - 871 1292.

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