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SANDICAL to kick off year of big shows

California is going to be blessed with large stamp shows in 2012: SANDICAL, ORCOEXPO, WESTPEX, AMERICOVER, APS STAMPSHOW, and, of course our own SESCAL. Start marking your 2012 calendar now.

SANDICAL

SANDICAL 2012 is scheduled for Jan. 20-22 at the Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego. Show hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday. (See map at right).

Admission is free.

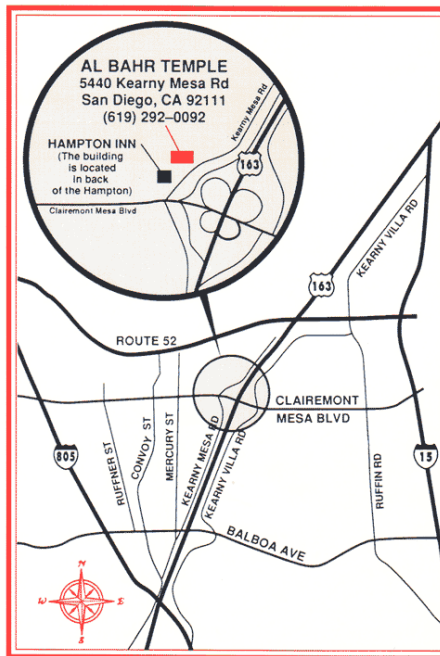
The Federation will have a meeting at 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 21, in the meeting room on the second floor of the Al Bahr Shrine in San Diego.

The awards banquet will be Saturday, Jan. 21, at The Butcher Shop, 5255 Kearny Villa Road, San Diego. Dinner will be served at 8 p.m.

The menu is prime rib or grilled salmon, vegetables, salad, breads, desserts and coffee or tea. Reservations for fish must be made by Jan. 19 and for prime rib by Jan. 20. Tickets are \$42.

Reservations may be made by calling Norm Magnuson at 619-222-4757. Make checks payable to SANDICAL and mail to 2980 Nichols St., San Diego, CA 92106.

The convention hotel is the Hampton Inn, 5434 Kearny Mesa Road, San Diego. The phone number is 858-292-1482. The



show rate is \$95 with a two-day minimum. Mention SANDICAL when making reservations.

The cutoff for reservations is Jan. 2.

For more information call Linda Mabin at 619-582-9311 or by email at mabin7@cox.net.

The show website is at <http://www.sandical.org/index.html>.

Other shows

ORCOEXPO, Feb. 3-5, Embassy Suites — South, Garden Grove. Techni-

cally, Stephen Patillo's event is more a bourse than a show, but it has one of the largest selection of dealers of any Southern California event, so it's included here. Website: <http://www.stampshowsteve.com/>

WESTPEX, April 27-29, [San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront](http://www.sanfranciscoairportmarriottwaterfront.com), San Francisco. The annual show is sponsored by the nonprofit group WESTPEX Inc. and always has first-class exhibits and bourse: Website: <http://www.westpex.com/>

AMERICOVER, Aug. 10-12, Irvine Marriott, Irvine. This will be the 57th annual convention and exposition of the American First Day Cover Society. Website: <http://www.afdcs.org/americovert/americovert12.html>

APS STAMPSHOW, Aug. 16-19, Sacramento Convention Center, Sacramento. This is the American Philatelic Society's big annual show. Website: <http://stamps.org/STAMPSHOW-SS>.

SESCAL, Oct. 5-7, Hilton Los Angeles Airport Hotel. Website: sescal.org.

Coming SESCAL dates

Dates for SESCAL through 2015 have been announced and are:

- 2013, Oct. 4-6.
- 2014, Oct. 17-19.
- 2015, Oct. 2-4.

All the events are scheduled at the Hilton Los Angeles Airport Hotel.

Once again, this issue will be sent by email and regular mail to try to reach as many of our member clubs as possible. Many mailed copies of the last issue were returned because clubs have folded or not provided their new addresses to the federation. Please feel free to forward this issue to any collectors and organizations you think might be interested. Thank you

About us

The Philatelic Review is published irregularly by The Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California.

The SESCAL Web site, which also includes information about the Federation and a list of member clubs, is at www.sescal.org.

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Minutes of the Oct. 15, 2011, FPCSC meeting

FEDERATION MINUTES — HILTON
HOTEL
67th SESCAL STAMP SHOW
OCT. 15, 2011

The Federation meeting at the 67th Annual SESCAL Stamp show was called to order by President Jerry Kasper at 2:05 p.m. Those present were asked to sign in and note their club affiliation.

President Jerry Kasper introduced the officers present: Lois Evans, Treasurer and Betty Green, secretary.

Jim and Marian Bowman were thanked for their many years of service to the Federation. They are moving to Arizona and will be missed.

Jerry emphasized the need for members to become involved in the Federation. New officers are needed to fill the vacancies.

Jerry gave a brief history of how the Federation is organized and the duties of the officers.

Jerry announced that there will be a SESCAL meeting on Sunday at 8:30 a.m. in Room 1565.

SESCAL Chairman Carl Shaff was introduced. Carl reported that he had received favorable remarks from various dealers. SESCAL is 15 percent ahead of the admissions from last year. Carl reported that the Facebook page created by Bill Miller, our publicity chairman, has had a good response.

Carl introduced our newest volunteer and member, Nathan Gutsu. Nathan has agreed to train with Richard Willing to become the bourse chairman in the future. Larry Haller, another new volunteer, will also be put in a training position.

Carl hopes to use high school students next year in the youth booth. Carl reported that the exhibits will be in the Pacific Room for the remainder of our contract. The room has excellent lighting. The judges and exhibitors were very happy with the room, and it will easily accommodate 200 frames.

Ed Field, chairman of societies, was pleased to report that the International Society for Japanese Philately wants to come to SESCAL in 2012.

Also, the Zeppelin Study Group wants to

come to SESCAL in 2012.

Jean Kasper announced that Vera Felts of ATA has expressed interest for that group coming to SESCAL in the near future.

Carl announced that the PSLA has allotted funds to SESCAL to help defray expenses. Carl expressed thanks to the PSLA.

It was announced that SESCAL will be the first weekend in October for the next two years.

Carl announced that after the Awards Banquet on Saturday night, there will be a celebration in the hospitality suite co-hosted by SESCAL and the Airmail Society. Everyone is invited.

Carl asked for any suggestions for making the show even better.

Dick Willing pointed out that there are lighting issues in the bourse area. The hotel has responded well and is trying to improve the lighting.

Jerry Winerman asked for more directional signs to help people find registration, bourse, and exhibits.

It was also suggested the need of volunteers to check the tickets into the bourse and exhibit areas. This would free security to do their job.

Having no further business, Jerry Kasper adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betty Green

Recording Secretary

Sign-in sheet (name and society affiliations):

1. Betty Green, SESCAL/Federation Secretary
2. Carl Shaff II, PSLA
3. Larry Haller, 626-836-0621
4. Howard Green, PSLA
5. Jim Bowman, SVSC, CVPS
6. Jerry Winerman, Scan. Col Club, MEPSI, UPSS.
7. Les Lanphear, Phil 25, past president
8. Nathan Gutsu, GPS 714-844-9972
9. Jean Kasper, PSLA, FPS
10. Marian Bowman, SVSC, CVPS
11. Lois Evans, Ventura
12. R. Willing, PSLA
13. Bill O'Connor, SDPC, EPA, PSC
14. Jerry Kasper, Federation president

SESCAL 2011 registration drawing: At the end of SESCAL, two postcards were drawn from those turned in at the registration desk during the show. The prizes are gift certificates that can be used at SESCAL 2012 for any purchase of stamps and/or supplies. The first-place prize of \$50 went to Roland Osbold of Los Angeles and the second prize of \$25 went to Ken Chotiner, also of Los Angeles. Congratulations to both of these winners.

SESCAL 2011 palmares

Members of the jury

R. Timothy Bartshe, chairman, Golden, Colo.

Phillip J. Stager, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Robert G. Zeigler, Indianapolis, Ind.

Dr. Akthem Al-Manaseer, San Jose, Calif.

Anthony F. Dewey, Hartford, Conn.

Major awards

Federation Grand Award: German North Atlantic Catapult Airmail 1927-1935. James W. Graue

George Bennett Memorial Reserve Grand Award: Mail from Great Britain to Denmark, 1840-UPU. Mark Lorentzen

Additional Candidate for Grand Award: Aerophilately and the Siege of Przemysl (1914-1915). Jerzy Kupiec-Weglinski

Single-frame Grand Award: Flown Mail on U.S.S. Shenandoah. Allen Klein

Single-frame Reserve Grand Award: Philippines: 1948 Embossed Postal Envelope – From Model to Final Die. Richard Miggins

Additional Candidate For Single-Frame Grand Award: Victoria Barred Oval Cancels. George W. Bowman

American Air Mail Society Grand Award: German North Atlantic Catapult Airmail 1927-1935. James W. Graue

Multi-frame competitive exhibit awards

Gold Medals

Chile: The First Issue of 1853-1867. Art Bunce

AQ Lettersheets of the Republic of Venice, 1608-1797. Art Bunce

Latvia Traditional Philately (1918-1945). Valentins T. Dabols

Foreign Air Mail Route 14: 1935-1941. William Drummond

German North Atlantic Catapult Airmail 1927-1935. James W. Graue

Remember the U. S. S. Macon ZRS-5. Allen Klein

Aerophilately and the Siege of Przemysl (1914-1915). Jerzy Kupiec-Weglinski

The Late Civil War Forerunners and Provisional Issues of East China. Hugh Lawrence

Mail from Great Britain to Denmark, 1840-UPU. Mark Lorentzen

Philippines: 1954-1963 Documentary Overprints on 1947 Internal Revenue Stamps. Richard Miggins

Straight Line Markings of Chile. Alvaro Pacheco

Spanish American War Fiscal History: A Survey of the US Documentary Taxes 1898-1902. Frank L. Sente

Vermeil Medals

A Taxonomy of Star Cancellations. David Brookler

U. S. International Mail in World War II. Louis Fiset

Machine Vended Postage Labels of Germany (1981-2008). Deepak Haritwal
California Express Companies 1849-1895. Dennis Hassler

80 cent Airmail of 1952. Jon Krupnick

Air Crash Mail of Imperial Airways. Kendall C. Sanford

French Guinea. Stephen Tucker

Silver Medals

Seldom Seen Confederates. David Canestro

Games of the Xth Olympiad, Los Angeles 1932. Conrad Klinkner

Canal Zone Permanent Issue Rates and Uses 1928-1958. Dickson H. Preston

Souvenir Sheets of PRC and its forerunners. Lan Qing Zhang

Silver-Bronze Medals

Machine Vended Postage Labels of USA (1989-1999). Deepak Haritwal

Bronze Medals

Civil War Soldiers' Letters. Bill Schwartz

Picture Post Cards of Shanghai 1900's to 1960's. Lan Qing Zhang

Single-Frame Competitive Exhibit Awards

Gold Medals

Victoria Barred Oval Cancels. George W. Bowman

South Africa's UN Korean Forces Airletters. Jerome V. V. Kasper

Flown Mail on U.S.S. Shenandoah. Allen Klein

Philippines: 1948 Embossed Postal Envelope – From Model to Final Die. Richard Miggins

Air Mail During Hungary's Hyperinflation/May 1-July 31, 1946 (92 Days). Robert B. Morgan

Vermeil Medals

U. S. Army Post Offices in Greenland 1941-1946. Dickson H. Preston

Silver Medals

Peru: 1897 Lima Post Office Issue. John Wynns

Other special awards

American Philatelic Society Award of Excellence - Pre-1900: Chile: The First Issue of 1853-1867. Art Bunce

American Philatelic Society Award of Excellence - 1900-1940: Aerophilately and the Siege of Przemysl (1914-1915). Jerzy Kupiec-Weglinski

American Philatelic Society Award of Excellence - 1940-1980: Philippines: 1954-1963 Documentary Overprints on 1947 Internal Revenue Stamps. Richard Miggins

American Philatelic Society Award of Excellence - Post 1980: Machine Vended Postage Labels of Germany (1981-2008). Deepak Haritwal

American Philatelic Society Award for Research: The Late Civil War Forerunners and Provisional Issues of East China. Hugh Lawrence

AAPE Gold Award of Honor: A Taxonomy of Star Cancellations. David Brookler

AAPE Gold Award of Honor: Machine Vended Postage Labels of Germany (1981-2008). Deepak Haritwal

AAPE Creativity in Philatelic Exhibiting Medal: A Taxonomy of Star Cancellations. David Brookler

AAPE Title Page Excellence Award: Mail from Great Britain to Denmark, 1840-UPU. Mark Lorentzen

AAPE Novice Award: A Taxonomy of Star Cancellations. David Brookler

American Philatelic Congress Award: Spanish American War Fiscal History: A Survey of the US Documentary Taxes 1898-1902. Frank L. Sente

American Topical Association First Award: Games of the Xth Olympiad, Los Angeles 1932. Conrad Klinkner

Eugene A. Garrett Award (International Philippines Philatelic Society Merit Award): Philippines: 1954-1963 Documentary Overprints on

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SESCAL scenes



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More on Palmares ...

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1947 Internal Revenue Stamps. Richard Miggins

Lynne Warm-Griffiths Memorial Award: Spanish American War Fiscal History: A Survey of the US Documentary Taxes 1898-1902. Frank L. Sente
Michael Rogers Best Asia Award

Michael Rogers Best Asia Award: The Late Civil War Forerunners and Provisional Issues of East China. Hugh Lawrence

Military Postal History Society: Aerophilately and the Siege of Przemysl (1914-1915). Jerzy Kupiec-Weglinski

Postal History Society Award: Mail from Great Britain to Denmark, 1840-

UPU. Mark Lorentzen

SESCAL Chairman's Award: Aerophilately and the Siege of Przemysl (1914-1915). Jerzy Kupiec-Weglinski

SESCAL Back-of-the-Book-Award: Foreign Air Mail Route 14: 1935-1941. William Drummond

United Postal Stationery Society Marcus White Award: AQ Lettersheets of the Republic of Venice, 1608-1797. Art Bunce

United Postal Stationery Society Single Frame Award: Philippines: 1948 Embossed Postal Envelope – From Model to Final Die. Richard Miggins

United States Classics Society Medal: A Taxonomy of Star Cancellations.

David Brookler

United States Stamp Society Statue of Freedom Award: Spanish American War Fiscal History: A Survey of the US Documentary Taxes 1898-1902. Frank L. Sente

WESTPEX Award: Straight Line Markings of Chile. Alvaro Pacheco

Women Exhibitors Sterling Achievement Award: Picture Post Cards of Shanghai 1900's to 1960's. Lan Qing Zhang

Most Popular Exhibit Award, Sponsored by The National Stamp Dealers Association: A Taxonomy of Star Cancellations. David Brookler

Editor's corner

Welcome to what is probably a surprise issue of The Review for most of you.

President Jerry Kasper wanted to get an issue out before SANDICAL, both to publicize the show and to alert you to the Federation meeting scheduled during it. For the details see the story on page 1.

This issue is dated January 2012, but it's being mailed in December in hopes it will make it through the flood of holiday mail before SANDICAL.

Jerry would like to see a more regular publication schedule, but that can happen only if Federation officers and member clubs let us know about coming activities. As editor, my feeling is that The Reporter's primary job should be reporting on Federation news, but that's impossible if there are no Federation meetings to report on or if those attending them don't pass the word along.

A secondary duty is to report on news of the Federation members, especially on successful projects or programs that other clubs can learn from. Any club officer or member who would like to share ideas is welcome to send contributions to me at jweigle@vcnet.com.

I'm trying to develop an article on stamp thefts in response to a member's question at a meeting of my own club, the Ventura County Philatelic Society. What precautions do you or your club recommend? Does anyone have any official statistics on the theft of stamps and the recovery, or lack of recovery of stolen material. Please send comments to me at the above address if you have suggestions.

I posted similar comments on the Virtual Stamp Club message board and have received some interesting answers, but no one has yet come up with any stats. The APS Stamp Theft Committee has not yet answered my questions, but that might be primarily a result of the holidays.

— John Weigle, editor

Philatelic news and notes ...

Facebook pages

Two Facebook pages related to stamp collecting might be of special interest to readers of The Review.

The first — already mentioned elsewhere in this issue — is SESCOAL's own page at www.facebook.com/sescal.

The second is Seeking Young Philatelists at www.facebook.com/groups/SeekingYoungPhilatelists. The page was established last year by John Weigle after an APS presentation on the subject at WESTPEX as a place to share news and ideas about how to attract new collectors.

Both pages are open to anyone interested. Just visit them and ask to join.

Revamped APS website

The long-awaited revamped APS website at www.stamps.org is up and running.

As one would expect much of the information is simply carried over from the old site, but the new design seems to be easier to use.

If you've never visited the site, you should. There's lots of information about the APS and how it works, along with lots of material to help new and experienced collectors.

Club websites

According to the list of Federation clubs, only a few have websites. The list (URLs were checked and valid as of Dec. 4):

Claude C. Reis Chapter of the American First Day Cover Society, www.rieschapterafdc.com.

Long Beach Stamp Club, www.longbeachstampclub.com.

Philatelic Society of Los Angeles, www.stampsla.org.

Ventura County Philatelic Society, www.vcphilatelic.com.

If you're looking for a new recruiting tool or just want to spread the word about your club, look these sites over and see if you can get some ideas from them. Simple websites are not difficult to set up, but, of course, they might not be useful for every club.

On the other hand, it's surprising how few clubs have listed an email address with the Federation (at least based on the website). Like it or not, many people like

to use email, and it's a convenient way to get messages to lots of people at once (i.e., if you have to cancel a club meeting at the last minute for some reason).

Some clubs are also saving money by eliminating paper newsletters and sending the information electronically, although there seems to be a resistance to this idea from many people, including experienced computer users. Don't leap to this solution without discussing it your members first.

Club post office boxes

As noted elsewhere in this issue, many of the hard-copy newsletters were returned because of address changes. While post office boxes might not be satisfactory for clubs with members — and, therefore, officers — spread over wide areas, they can provide a more permanent address that doesn't change every time new officers are chosen.

A small box should be affordable for almost every club. Of course, having a box does mean someone has to check it regularly, so if no one is willing to do that, it's better to keep using someone's home address for club mail.

Whatever address you use for mail, please be sure to notify the Federation if the address changes. In fact, if you're an officer reading this, check your club's listing at www.sescal.org/fedclubs.htm to be sure the information about your club is correct.

Estate sale and auction

The Orange County Philatelic Society sponsors what appears to be a highly successful estate sale and auction. Here are some details about how it works provided by David Jacobson <cowdaddin@sbcglobal.net>:

"The auctions have been promoted at some of the recent stamp shows via literature and via emails to SESCOAL-listed clubs periodically. Basically they are open to any sellers who will donate 5 percent of the final sales price of their lots to a stamp club. Sellers are limited to five lots and the auction is limited to 150 lots. All sale are final and must be paid in cash only on the day of the auction be-

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fore removal of lots. We normally have sold about two-thirds of our lots and averaged about \$3,500 in sales for the first three auctions. There are no buyer premiums, but sellers are charged 50 cents per lot (whether or not the lots sell) to cover the cost of renting the facility. The charge is deducted from the seller's proceeds along with the 5 percent that is donated to the club of their choice. All lots are sold by lot number only.

"Sellers remain anonymous, but we do endeavor to verify validity and/or quality of better items. The Orange County Philatelic Society and the auctioneer make no claims and accept no liability for any items that may be misrepresented or otherwise falsely presented by sellers. Let the buyer beware, but some really great items are moving in these semi-annual events, whereas most sellers would have no other outlet for moving this material. Inspection of lots is

the morning of the sale commencing at 10 a.m. until the sale begins at 1 p.m."

Expensive year for U.S. coins

The next time we complain about the cost of collecting U.S. stamps, we should consider this headline from the Dec. 12 issue of *Coin World*, published by Amos Press, which also publishes *Linn's Stamp News*:

"Mint products completists will dig deep / Total cost for one of every 2011 coin is \$23,500"

The first two paragraphs of the story by Paul Gilkes say: "Completists who wanted one of everything the U.S. Mint offered during calendar year 2011 would have had to dig deep into their collecting budgets.

"If you had purchased one of each coin, annual set and medal offered by the U.S. Mint during 2011 at the time of its initial release, the total outlay by year's end would nearly reach \$23,500. The

total price is based on the least expensive option for each item. The total price does not include any shipping costs."

The Dec. 19 issue of *Linn's* includes an article on the costs of collecting the world's philatelic items issued in 2010 that have received major Scott numbers, meaning that some expensive varieties are not included.

The article does not include totals, but says that charts for every year since 2002 will be posted at www.linns.com/wwyearlycost. The charts include a stamp count (Scott major listings only), face value of the stamps and catalog value.

The falling U.S. dollar, the article says, raised the costs for U.S. collectors who are buying stamps from several countries, including Australia, Switzerland, Canada and Japan. "The cost of all of Japan's 2010 issues is an astonishing \$713.95. That is not a typographical error. Japan issued stamps qualifying for 105 different major numbers ..."

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