

The Lilac Hinge

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> Meetings: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays (except July & December), Spokane Valley Eagles, E. 16801 Sprague

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2016 DUES ARE NOW PAYABLE:

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New meeting location: Spokane Valley Eagles, E. 16801 Sprague (across from URM)

After some 30 years at the Riverview Retirement Center, the club was told that we could no longer use their meeting room. The Eagles are providing us a free meeting room, but we will also continue to explore other meeting options.

- Directions from Spokane: I-90 east to Sullivan exit, south to Sprague, and east on Sprague
- <u>Directions from Post Falls & Coeur d'Alene</u>: 1-90 west to Barker exit, south to Appleway, and west on Sprague

Tuesday, January 26 meeting: "Where in the World?"

Bill Ailes of the Tri-cities Stamp Club will be giving a program on fun with stamp identification.

6:15 Seminar: Show and tell. Bring a new philatelic item to show and talk about.

Tuesday, February 9 meeting:

6:15 Board meeting

7:00 Stamp mixture meeting

Purchase stamps from worldwide collections that the club purchased in the past year. Many of the stamps are in Scott International albums and there are also many covers. Good deals abound!

IEPS Philatelist of the Year: Ken Dixon

Ken moved here from Massachusetts six years ago. He is now in his fourth year as a member of the IEPS board of directors. He has been busy with club activities, including coming up with the idea of club t-shirts, providing free magazines at club meetings, and the stamp exhibit downtown at Employment Pro last fall. Ken also provides security at club stamp shows.

Ken collects stamps from Columbia and Saudi Arabia, and once lived in both places. He also collects US stamps.

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New Editor: Larry Mann

Thanks to previous editor Ken Rehfeld for his years of service as editor of the Lilac Hinge. He did a great job with the newsletter. As this is my first issue as your new editor, let me tell you a bit about myself. I grew up in the Spokane Valley and first attended meetings as a teenager back in the late 1960s when the club met in the County Courthouse. I joined the club as a junior member and was a member until the 1990s. I moved away in the late 1980s and lived for years in California and in the Seattle area. My wife Carole and I moved back to Spokane Valley in October, 2014. We had been living north of Seattle in Mukilteo and I was a member of the Sno-King Stamp Club that meets in nearby Edmonds and Everett. I was editor of the Sno-King newsletter for three years and club president for six, and also served for nine years as editor of the Federated Philatelist, the newsletter of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs. I'm a technical writer and work from home.

Closed albums:

Duane Coble passed away on November 14, 2015 at the age of 70. He was a longtime IEPS member and collected worldwide stamps. He was a graduate of Eastern Washington University and Washington State University and had worked for the city of Spokane as a city planner.

I knew Duane for over 40 years and considered him a close friend. He was my best man when my wife Carole and I got married and we shared many hours talking stamps, attending stamp shows, and visiting stamp shops. Duane was a regular at Lee and Arlene Dark's A and L Northside Stamp Shop and had a real talent for finding unexpected treasures in stamp mixtures, collections, and other stamp lots.

- Larry Mann

The Generosity of a Quiet Man

Hugh Johnston, Ph.D., a longtime Whitworth chemistry professor, was also an avid archeologist, Egyptologist and stamp collector who spent many years in plastics research before he began his career in academia, at Whitworth, in 1957. He taught chemistry (and married his Whitworth colleague Mary Boppell, Ph.D.) during his first 16 years at the then-college, spending his final 12 years on the staff as director of development services. After his retirement, he volunteered in the archive departments of both Whitworth and the Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture. Who knew that this humble, modest man planned to donate a substantial estate to the university where he worked for much of his life?

In October, Whitworth announced that Johnston, who died earlier this year at nearly 95, had left Whitworth a gift of \$2.05 million. Whitworth President Beck A. Taylor announced that with this gift, the university will establish the Hugh W. Johnston Endowed Professorship of Chemistry and will initiate an interdisciplinary research fund. Because of Johnston's generosity, the university will place \$550,000 into this endowed fund, moving Whitworth more than halfway toward its \$1 million goal.

"To receive these gifts from Hugh's estate means a great deal to the university," Taylor says. "That a former faculty member would love this place so much and be so generous with his resources is an encouragement to all of us."

Hugh Johnston passed away in March 2015. This article is from Whitworth Today, Fall-Winter, 2015

2016 Officers		
President	J Palmer	
Vice President	David Oldfield	
Secretary	Marilyn Miller	
Treasurer	Ken Rehfeld	
Director	Kevin Dixon	
Director	Milt Maas	
Director	Chuck Jones	
All of our 2015 officers and directors were re-elected.		



Club auction lots at the January 26 Meeting:

Lot #	Description	Catalogue value	Minimum bid
6701	Scott American album pages and supplements	N/A	\$1.00
6702	Great Britain on approval sheets	\$48.00 (1998 cat)	\$4.00
6703	New Zealand mint blocks (Scott 861-66)	\$36.80	\$5.00
6704	New Zealand mint blocks (Scott 890-97)	\$27.40	\$5.00
6705	Sweden "Stamp Hobbies," mint booklet and postcards (Scott 1585-88)	\$9.50	\$1.50
6706	Finland/Sweden/USA joint issue mint blocks and booklet	\$20.90	\$4.00
6707	Large Germany selection on stock sheets	\$150.00	\$5.00
6708	Saudi Arabia 1960 first day cover event	N/A	\$1.00
6709	New Zealand stock sheet of used	\$15.00	\$2.00
6710	China assorted used on stock sheet (95 singles)	\$20.00	\$2.50
6711	Dominica 1 shilling used (Scott 9)	\$57.50	\$7.50
6712	New South Wales (Scott 59)	\$13.00	\$1.50
6713	Marshall Island "Solar System" (Scott 582)	\$12.00	\$2.00
6714	Great Britain used (Scott 1445-48)	\$10.20	\$2.00
6715	Malawi used	\$48.00	\$5.00
6716	Jordan used (Scott 315-18)	\$27.50	\$5.00
6717	Shoebox of envelopes sorted by country	N/A	\$3.00
6718	1960 Scott volume I and II hardbound	N/A	\$1.00
6719	18 glassines with crisp worldwide selections	N/A	\$2.00
6720	Luxembourg postage dues (Scott J23-36)	\$13.00	\$2.50

Coming events

- Tuesday, February 9 IEPS board meeting and stamp mixture
- Tuesday, February 23 IEPS club meeting and show-and-tell / 6:15 seminar: Chuck Jones on precancels
- Tuesday, March 8 IEPS board meeting and stamp mixture
- Tuesday, March 22 IEPS club meeting: Club bourse night
- Saturday-Sunday, April 2-3 Apple Blossom bourse at the Hilton Garden Inn
- Saturday, April 9 26th annual John Arn Philatelic Symposium in Moses Lake
- Tuesday, April 12 IEPS board meeting and stamp mixture
- May (date to be determined) Weekend in Wallace with the Missoula Stamp Club
- May 28-June4 World Stamp Show in New York City
- August 4-7 APS Stamp Show in Portland, OR
- September 9-11 SEAPEX (Seattle Philatelic Exposition) in Tukwila, WA

Note: There will be no PIPEX show this year because of APS Stamp Show in Portland.