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Failure is simply the opportunity  
to begin again, this time more  
intelligently.

Henry Ford  
1863-1947

## PIPEX 2012

11, 12 and 13 May Doubletree Hotel, Lloyd Center, Portland, OR

The Pacific Northwest  
Premier Stamp Show

Details at [www.pipexshow.org](http://www.pipexshow.org) or from  
Michael Dixon ([mdd@att.net](mailto:mdd@att.net))

**Don't miss it! Plan now!!**

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## Keepers Korner

I want to hear ALL of your voices in the discussion about the *Future of Philately*. In this newsletter you will find an article about how to attract baby boomers (and others) to stamp collecting. I know that each of you has ideas (notice the plural), so let s see them in print in the forthcoming newsletters. Now is the time to provide input on your hobby.

The final revision of the bylaws is attached for your reading pleasure. I know that many of you made comments to either Liz or other board members, and I trust that your questions have been answered. This final edition of the bylaws will be voted on at the membership meeting at StampShow.

If you are attending StampShow in Columbus OH, don t forget to come to the WE membership meeting on Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011. WE will gather at **noon** in room **E160A**. As well as voting on by-laws and slate of officers, please bring your ideas for WE. I look forward to seeing you there.

I apologize to those members who have expected and not received my replies to your e-mails. In the furor of starting a nonprofit corporation, successfully applying for 501.c.3 status, and making plans for the November Exhibition, I am sure I ve slipped up on a few things. Please accept my apologies, and if you still want a reply, you will need to re-send the e-mail.

See you at StampShow. Wear your buttons.

Ruth

## **ATTACHMENT TO BYLAWS**

[https://docs.google.com/viewer?a=v&pid=gmail&attid=0.2&thid=130b8a357bdcdbc8&mt=application/pdf&url=https://mail.google.com/mail/?ui%3D2%26ik%3D3070ed0a30%26view%3Datt%26th%3D130b8a357bdcdbc8%26attid%3D0.2%26disp%3Dsafe%26zw&sig=AHIEtbQoCvnRciIlg92AIEYVt6LW\\_\\_W0rvw](https://docs.google.com/viewer?a=v&pid=gmail&attid=0.2&thid=130b8a357bdcdbc8&mt=application/pdf&url=https://mail.google.com/mail/?ui%3D2%26ik%3D3070ed0a30%26view%3Datt%26th%3D130b8a357bdcdbc8%26attid%3D0.2%26disp%3Dsafe%26zw&sig=AHIEtbQoCvnRciIlg92AIEYVt6LW__W0rvw)

## HOW TO WIN \$250.00!!!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> You Tube Stamp-Related Video Contest opened on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2011 and will run until May 31<sup>st</sup> 2011. The contest is sponsored by the American Philatelic Society and the American Stamp Dealers Association, in conjunction with the Smithsonian National Postal Museum's Council of Philatelists.

This competition is open to all ages. The You Tube Stamp-Related Video Contest is designed to encourage stamp collectors to share their collections with people all over the world through digital means. It is recommended that each video should not be more than 4 minutes long. All submitted videos will be featured on the American Philatelic Society's You Tube Channel accessible at [www.youtube.com/AmericasStampClub](http://www.youtube.com/AmericasStampClub). (Entries from the first You Tube competition are archived there and may be viewed for ideas). There is no limit as to how many videos each person can enter.

The entries will be judged for an overall champion, plus a youth group, adult, APS Chapters and Clubs, and a professional category to include stamp dealers. The prize for the overall Champion will be \$250.00 and the other categories will receive \$50.00 (cash or in-kind gift certificates) per category. Donations have been received from A&D Stamps, Ed Dimmick and Labron Harris, Wade Saadi, Omar Rodrigues, Janet Klug, Cheryl Edgcomb and Ian Gibson-Smith. Announcement of winners will be in July 2011. Winners will be awarded their prizes at StampShow 2011 in Columbus, OH August 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. Publicity re winners will be printed in The American Philatelist, The Philatelic Exhibitor, Stamp Dealers and Collectors and in the various philatelic websites.

Videos may be made from Power Point, digital video, photographs or other types of media. Further information about making the video and entering the contest is available on the Information Sheet and Entry Form, which can be found on the following websites:

American Philatelic Society: [www.stamps.org](http://www.stamps.org)

Smithsonian National Postal Museum: [www.postalmuseum.si.edu](http://www.postalmuseum.si.edu)

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors: [www.aape.org](http://www.aape.org)

American Stamp Dealers Associations: [www.AmericanStampDealers.com](http://www.AmericanStampDealers.com)

Help promote stamp collecting to people all over the world by sharing your love for the hobby. Make a stamp collecting video. It's fun!

**Free Stamps and Lesson Plans for Teachers**  
**Join Our Nationwide Pilot Grades 3-5**  
**September-November 2011**  
**Register NOW**

We are looking for 100 volunteers (teachers grades 3-5) to pilot a new free service for elementary school teachers nationwide. Enhance your students joy for learning! We have complete lesson plans using collectible postage stamps.

If you are a teacher or know of one who may be interested please contact us. We will provide

- A link to a website with many downloadable lesson plans
- Lessons for language arts, math, social studies, science, and art meet current school standards.
- A free large package of colorful postage stamps used in the lessons
- A learning center with hands-on activities that use stamps in the learning process

Pilot teachers are required to set up the learning center in their classroom as an independent activity AND to teach one of the lessons. We are starting in September and would like to get the tasks completed by November 2011. Teachers must be willing to distribute informational resources about stamp collecting to parents and to complete an evaluation form regarding their experiences in piloting the program. Payment for shipping of the stamps is optional.

This pilot program is sponsored by the New Initiatives Committee of the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum's Council of Philatelists and the American Philatelic Society (the world's largest non-profit stamp collector organization). Contact us NOW for more information. [OmarJRodriguez@aol.com](mailto:OmarJRodriguez@aol.com)

## **WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF PHILATELY? HOW TO ATTRACT THE BABY BOOMERS**

Janet Klug and I are both members of the New Initiatives Committee that is part of the Council of Philatelists at the National Postal Museum. At our last meeting earlier this month the committee spent some time exploring the above question.

Philately as a hobby has been around for decades; youngsters start by filling in albums, as they grow older they begin to refine their collections, and in many cases they become exhibitors. But there appears to be a trend that the younger collectors seem to leave the hobby during their college years, working at their careers and families, stamp collecting takes a back seat.

Many come back into the hobby after retirement, but in today's world there are so many other distractions that we are seeing less of these original collectors starting again. I would like to open the floor to all of you Women Exhibitor members to start a discussion as to what you feel can be done to kick start these collectors/baby boomers/new retirees back into the hobby or to just start collecting and exhibiting.

What are your personal experiences in starting to collect, where do you see the hobby in 10 years, how can you help to further this totally fun experience.

Please send your suggestions, experiences and anything else you would like to add to the editor, so that she can publish the answers in our next newsletters.

Liz Hisey.

### **NEW MEMBER**

Welcome to Jim Curtis. Jim collects Postal History of St. Louis, MO, Transatlantic Mails, Americana and US Postal History.

## INFO

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