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***** O C T O B E R M E E T I N G S *****

October 14 - Philatelic Classics Society slide show "1861 Year of Change". This excellent presentation features many early U. S. stamps and covers illustrating rates and cancels.

October 28 - Floor Auction. All lots must be in by 8:15 pm. Each R.P.A. member may submit up to 5 lots. The Auction will begin promptly at 8:30 pm.

Both meetings will be held in the Parish Hall of St. Pauls Episcopal Church on East Avenue at the corner of Vick Park B. Use the entrance on Vick Park B. Parking is available on the East side of Vick Park B, Portsmouth Terrace, and Westminster Road.

Experienced exhibitors will be on hand at both meetings to help any member in preparing an exhibit for ROPEX-76. There are several awards that can only be won by RPA members, these include: Best General Exhibit by an RPA member (Jacob Legeer Award), Best Topical Exhibit by an RPA member (Virginia Gubler Award), and Best Exhibit by a Novice Exhibitor.

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Plans for ROPEX-76 are progressing well. Meetings of the Flag Cancel Society, the Club of Channel Islands Collectors and the Plate Number Society have been scheduled during the show. The U.S.P.S. will be represented at the show with a special "flag" cancellation and sales booth. The United Nations Postal Administration and the Royal Swedish Post Office will also have representatives and show cachets at ROPEX.

An event the size of ROPEX needs a lot of willing hands to make it the success it should be. The show will be from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm Friday and Saturday and 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Sunday. Each hour of the show is important and help will be needed in various areas of the show. One hour of relieving a worker for lunch, dinner, or a coffee break is the least any of us could do !! (Please !!)

Volunteers are also especially needed in the following areas:

1. Assissting the U.N.P.A. apply show cachets - see Joyce Walsh
2. Hospitality and Sales table - see Helen DelSolar
3. Security - see Chip Hamblin

In an attempt to encourage more exhibitors from amongst the membership of the Rochester Philatelic Association, a copy of the ROPEX-76 Prospectus and Entry Form is enclosed for your perusal. In addition to the RPA awards listed above, the following societies are also offering awards: A.P.S., S.P.A., U.P.S.S., Flag Cancel Society, Club of Channel Islands Collectors, Plate Number Society, Apfelbaum, Franklin D. Roosevelt society, and many others.

***** B O O S T E R A D S *****
For a nominal contribution (\$1.00 or so) any RPA member may get his name listed in the ROPEX-76 program as a ROPEX Booster. See John Kellas at the next meeting. Dealer advertisements are also welcome and encouraged.