

The Rochester Philatelic Association, Inc
HINGES & TONGS

MEETINGS ARE HELD 2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS SEPT.-JUNE AT ST. PAULS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TRADING & TALKING 7PM FORMAL PROGRAM 8PM

MARCH - APRIL

editor
Joseph K. Doles

1994

ROAD TRIP?

STaMpsHOW '94 is scheduled for August 18 - 21 in Pittsburgh PA's David Lawrence Convention Center. As many Rochester and Buffalo collectors are interested in attending this major event. We are looking into group hotel rates and possibly bus transportation as well. Hotels within downtown Pittsburgh are in the \$100+ per night category. The best bargain so far is a Motel 6, located 8 miles west of city center at exit 16 Interstate 79. It is six years old with 126 rooms. Regular room prices run: single \$25.99 + 2.86 tax = \$28.85 per night, double \$31.99 + 3.52 tax = \$35.51 per night.

There is a family style restaurant down the road and plenty of others within two miles. Discounts are available with a minimum of 10 rooms.

Anyone interested in further information is asked to contact Tom Fortunato at (716) 621-1670. If enough people are interested we will also look into group transportation. Note that parking in downtown Pittsburgh is about \$8 per day. You will have until the end of April to express an interest in these options.

MEETING SCHEDULE

MARCH	10	QUIZ NIGHT AND <u>ROPEX ONE FRAME</u> <u>COMPETITION</u>
	24	ROPEX PREPARATION NIGHT & DETECTING FORGERIES SLIDE PROGRAM ONE PAGE EXHIBIT - "TRAINS"
APRIL	7	ROPEX SET UP AT HOLIDAY INN
	8-10	ROPEX NATIONAL STAMP SHOW
	14	FIELD TRIP TO GMF POST OFFICE JEFFERSON ROAD
	28	BLOW THE WHISTLE; DESIGN ERRORS ON SPORTS STAMPS SLIDE PROGRAM ONE PAGE EXHIBIT - ANY TOPIC
MAY	12	LIVE PRESENTATION - TO BE ANNOUNCED
	26	SLIPS ON SHIPS ON STAMPS SLIDE PROGRAM ONE PAGE EXHIBIT - "SUMMER ACTIVITIES"
JUNE	4	ANNUAL JOINT BANQUET - RICK'S PRIME RIB HOUSE
	9	ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING & ELECTIONS
	23	KILOWARE AND STRAWBERRIES

ROPEX-94 CALENDAR OF EVENTS
(subject to changes)

Friday - April 8, 1994

8-10 am Coffee in Hospitality Suite - Room 1200
10:00 am ROPEX - 94 Opens
NOON Exhibitors' Luncheon - Barnaby's
3:00 pm Joint Workshop On Exhibiting: Central New York Federation of Stamp Clubs and Empire State Postal History Society - Genesee Room
7:00 pm Show Closes
7-Midnight Hospitality in Room 1200

Saturday - April 9, 1994

8-10 am Coffee in Hospitality Suite - Room 1200
9:30 am Eire Philatelic Association (EPA), Annual General Meeting - Genesee Room
10:00 am Show Opens
10:30 am EPA Presentation: "Tossed Salad: Shamrocks, Thistles and Leeks -- A Basic Postal History Smorgasbord of Ireland Scotland and Wales." Patricia Stilwell Walker?, Jeanette Adams?, Anne DeBayle Nichol? and Ann Triggie
11:00 am Fakes, Forgeries & Counterfeits Study Group - Fairfax Room
NOON Chapter 53, Central New York First Day Cover Society Luncheon - Tiffany Room
1:00 pm APS Judging Seminar? Genesee Room
1:30 pm Chapter 53 Seminar - Tiffany Room
2:00 pm Winners of Youth Stamp Design Contest announced -Lobby
2:00 pm An AAPE Exhibiting Seminar: Ann Triggie , AAPE Director, officiating - Genesee Room
2:30 pm Chapter 53 CNYFDCS Business Meeting - Tiffany Room
3:00 pm Judges' Critique for exhibitors and the public - Genesee Room
6:00 pm Show Closes
6:30 pm Cash Bar before Banquet
7:00 pm ROPEX 94 Banquet - Genesee Room - No Smoking in Banquet Room. Guest Speaker - John Hotchner
End of Banquet until Midnight - Hospitality in Room 1200

Sunday - April 10, 1994

8-10 am Coffee in Hospitality Suite - Room 1200
10:00 am Show Opens
10:30ish The Marmalades - Show & Tell - Genesee Room
11:00 am Casey Jones Unit, ATA - Fairfax Room
11:30 am Presentation: "Dublin Postal Markings, 1818-1916." Charles Verge, Eire Philatelic Assn. President - Genesee Room
NOON Central Federation Meeting -
1:00 pm Cover Collectors' Circuit Club - Fairfax Room
1:00 pm Empire State Postal History Society and Mobile Post Office Society: Joint Meeting - Genesee Room
2:00 pm International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors - Fairfax Room
4:00 pm Ropex 94 Closes

Take Down Starts Only Dealers and ROPEX Personnel Allowed in Exhibition Hall

PHILATELIC RADIO BROADCASTS

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7465 MgHz
11603 MgHz
11587 MgHz
9435 MgHz

RADIO CUBA

between 7pm - 9pm est
6010 MgHz

RADIO HABANA CUBA

4:30 PM EST
15165 MgHz

APRIL GMF TOUR

The GMF Main post office on Jefferson Road is hosting the RPA and guests to a tour of the facility on Thursday, April 14 at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome, however the USPS requests a count of attendees in advance. If you plan to go, sign up at the March 24 RPA meeting or phone Tom Fortunato at (716) 621-1670 before April 7. Parking for the tour is in the employee parking lot on the west side of the complex. Enter by using the center employee entrance on the west side.

STAMP COLLECTORS BANQUET

Sponsored by
The Rochester Philatelic Association, Inc.
and
The Kodak Stamp Club

Saturday, June 4, 1994
Rick's Prime Rib House
788 Howard Road, Gates

Cocktails and lot viewing 5-6 pm
Buffet dinner 6-7:30 pm
Guest speaker - to be announced
Live stamp auction following the program
(attendees may submit up to 5 lots of material to be auctioned)
Cost per person \$13, all inclusive per the menu

Reservations must be received by May 21. Make checks payable to:
Tom Fortunato
Send payment to :
Banquet
42 Maynard Street
Rochester, NY 14615-2022
Please include your phone number.

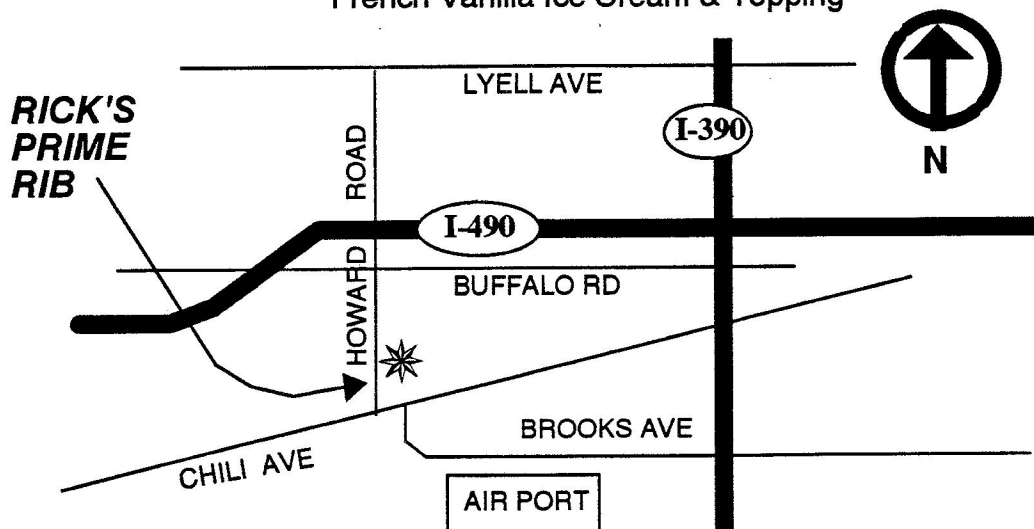
THE MENU

Premier Prime Rib Buffet

Predinner Cheese & Crackers
Prime Rib Carved at Buffetside
Oven Baked Chicken
Baked Macaroni with Tomato Sauce
Oven Roasted Potatoes
Green Beans with Mushrooms
Fresh Garden Vegetables
Assorted Relishes
Cottage Cheese

Served at Table

Ched Salad
Rolls & Butter
Coffee, Tea or Milk
French Vanilla Ice Cream & Topping



What to do, what to do!
by Tom Fortunato

With all of the controversy over the design error of the US Legends of the West sheet and its recall, maybe the USPS should look overseas to find an example of what to do when an error reaches the public. Here is a case study from Papua New Guinea. Scheduled for release on February 19, 1994, it was noticed after printing that a "T" rather than a "t" was used in the denomination. The mistake was caught before the stamps were sold. However, examples of the errors soon reached dealers and the PNG Post decided to reprint the errors for the benefit of all. Here are examples of both versions.

The issue details...

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CA Ref: PH14/11 Date: 25 FEBRUARY Contact: Publications Editor, Ext 210

Small Birds include Pitta bred in Papua New Guinea

Papua New Guinea is one of the largest islands in the world. More different languages are spoken there than anywhere else in the world. There are more than 9000 different plants growing in a dramatic range of climatic regions: from mangrove swamps at ground level to alpine meadows up in the mountains.

Papua New Guinea does have more than 250 species of indigenous mammals - mostly bats, rats, marsupials and tree kangaroos. It is most richly gifted with birds: over 400 species including Birds of Paradise, Bower birds, Parrots, Pigeons and Kingfishers. The largest of the three latter families (as well as the smallest parrot) are all found in Papua New Guinea. Perhaps the most spectacular birds are the alarming giant Cassowaries with their strange horny casques or helmet structures, used for crashing through heavy undergrowth. Queen Alexandra's Birdwing, the largest butterfly in the world, flaps through Papuan forests. Papua New Guinea is truly a land of extremes and superlatives.

Totally protected wildlife areas are few in number, for the majority of people depend closely on the land for their subsistence and ownership rights are complex. The greatest danger is that forest cutting is done without understanding.

For its latest issue, Papua New Guinea has chosen some of the smaller birds that inhabit its forests. Released on 4 June, designed by G.L. Vassarhelyi and printed in lithography by Leigh-Mardon Pty. Ltd., of Australia, the species featured are:

21t - Clytomyias insignis - Rufous Wren Warbler

45t - Pitta superba - Superb Pitta

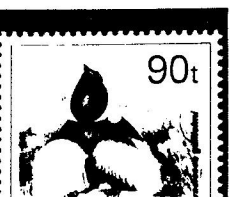
Pittas have been described as 'true gems of the bird world'. They have small plump bodies and live on the ground or just above it in dense dark forests, anywhere from the mangroves to the mossy cloud forests thousands of feet above. Pittas are weak fliers which prefer to hop. As its name suggests, the Superb Pitta has magnificently coloured plumage.

60t - Rhagologus leucostigma - Mottled Whistler

90t - Toxorhamphus poliopterus - Slaty chinned Longbill

Longbills belong to the Honey eater Family, found from Australia, Papua New Guinea and Bali, to New Zealand Hawaii. Their most remarkable feature is an exceptionally long brush-tipped tongue, which can be extended into the base of long tubular flowers and deep, narrow cracks in bark to draw out nectar or honeydew by capillary action. They are quite capable of a rate of 10 licks a second.

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The offer...

Attention collectors of:

- Birds on stamps
- Papua New Guinea

NEW DISCOVERY:

We have obtained a very few sets of the unissued 1992 Papua New Guinea Bird of Paradise Stage II stamps with incorrect denomination typeface and capital 'T' value denominator. The first printing of these stamps was distributed but later recalled by the Post Office in Port Moresby after it was realised that the denomination typeface and value denominator did not fit the style adopted and approved by the authorities.

Very few of the stamps escaped the recall and have now become available on the philatelic market and we are able to offer complete mint sets of the unissued stamps at US\$600 per set (blocks pro-rata) or a RARE imprint block of four at US\$3000.

Very few of the imprint blocks are known to exist - we understand Christie's (London) and Stanley Gibbons (Australia) will each offer a similar block at auction during 1993!

The above prices include delivery by UPS (so please advise street address and contact telephone number with your order).

Payment by certified check (in US dollars) or credit card (American Express, Diners Club, JCB, MasterCard, Visa). If paying by credit card, your card will be charged with the Australian dollar equivalent on the day of transaction.

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Above: an example of the unissued 90t stamp with the incorrect denomination typeface and value denominator. Below: the 90t stamp as corrected and issued.

The response...



Tel: ME23080
Telephone: (678) 274167
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Our Reference:

Dear Customer

RE: RE ISSUE OF BIRD OF PARADISE STAGE II BIG 'T' ERROR

In February 1992 Papua New Guinea Philatelic Bureau was to have released a Definitive Stamp Series on Bird of Paradise Stage two.

However due to a minor error in the value i.e. instead of having lower case 't' the set had upper case 'T'.

These particular stamps were withdrawn and replaced with corrected lower case 't' and re issued in March 1992.

Lately we have noticed some individuals/Stamp Dealers have offered for sale corner blocks of the stamp issue with the big 'T' as a rare item at inflated price.

We feel this is unfair to you our consistent and valued customer hence we will re issue this stamp issue with its minor error, so that the inflated price can be controlled.

A total of 50,000 sets only will be made available through our Philatelic Bureau and Agents and your customer is given the first opportunity to place your order with us.

For the standing order customers, we will send you your standard requirements without FDC and stamp pack.

However for casual clients, please use the enclosed order form to indicate your requirements and send it in with your payment promptly.

This stamp issue will be available as from 1 July till 31 December 1993 unless stock is exhausted earlier.

Kind regards,

Brian Moore
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Ag Executive Manager
Philatelic Department

Philatelic Department
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BOROKO NCD
Papua New Guinea

Linn's 1994 U.S. Stamp Program

Jan. 6, Winter Olympics. Five se-tenant 29¢ commemorative stamps (alpine skiing, luge, ice dancing, cross-country skiing, ice hockey), AP, pane of 20, Salt Lake City, UT 84199; USPS order No. 4448, F4448 (random single FDC), E4448 (FDC with five different stamps), C4448 (set of five FDCs); *Linn's* Jan. 3, page 18; Scott has not announced how it will catalog the plate block.

Jan. 21, Edward R. Murrow. Single 29¢ commemorative stamp, BEP, pane of 50, Pullman, WA 99163; USPS order No. 4447, F4447 (FDC); *Linn's* Oct. 18, 1993, page 9; Jan. 24, page 2.

***Jan. 27, Sunrise Love.** Single 29¢ self-adhesive stamp, BCA, pane of 18, Loveland, OH 45140, USPS order No. 66004 (pane of 18), F6604 (single on FDC), 6604N (coil strip of 18 with plate number on one stamp); *Linn's* Jan. 10, page 1.

Feb. 1, Allison Davis. Single 29¢ commemorative stamp (Black Heritage series), SV, pane of 20, Williamstown, MA 01267; USPS order No. 4449, F4449 (FDC); *Linn's* Feb. 7, page 14.

Feb. 4, Eagle. Single 29¢ self-adhesive stamp, M, pane of 18, coil strip of 18, Sarasota, FL 34230; USPS order No. 6697 (pane of 18), 6697M (coil strip of 18, one stamp with plate number), F6697 (single stamp on FDC); *Linn's* Jan. 24, page 14.

Feb. 5, Chinese New Year of the Dog. Single 29¢ commemorative stamp, SV, pane of 20, Pomona, CA 91768; USPS order No. 4454, F4454 (FDC); *Linn's* Jan. 24, page 2.

Feb. 12, Abraham Lincoln Home. 19¢ postal card (Historic Preservation series), building in Springfield, IL 62703; USPS order No. 22226, C2226; *Linn's* Feb. 21, page 1.

Feb. 14, Dove(s) and Roses Love. Two stamps: 29¢ value in \$5.80 booklet of 20, two panes of 10, ABNC; 52¢ value in pane of 50, BEP, Niagara Falls, NY 14302; 29¢ stamp is USPS order No. 6635 (pane with tab), 6636 (booklet), F6636 (single on FDC), E6636 (pane of 10 on FDC); 52¢ stamp is USPS order No. 5593, F5593 (single on FDC); *Linn's* Jan. 10, page 1.

Feb. 19, Shiloh and Bunting. Single gravure variable-denomination side-wise coil stamp, ABNC, cylinder (plate) number at 24-stamp intervals, no first-day ceremony, 90-day grace period for first-day cancel, Merrifield, VA 22116; USPS order No. 9366, F9366 (FDC); minimum of 25 stamps needed to receive a plate number in a mint strip; *Linn's*, Feb. 7, page 10.

March, tentative, Legends of the West. Pane of 20 different se-tenant 29¢ commemorative stamps: Home on the Range, Buffalo Bill, Jim Bridger, Annie Oakley, Native American Culture, Chief Joseph, Bill Pickett, Bat Masterson, John Fremont, Wyatt Earp, Nellie Cashman,

Charles Goodnight, Geronimo, Kit Carson, Wild Bill Hickock, Western Wildlife, Jim Beckwourth, Bill Tilghman, Sacagawea, Overland Mail; *Linn's* Nov. 11, 1993, page 1; Jan. 24, page 1; Jan. 31, pages 3 and 8; Feb. 7, page 1.

March, Myers Hall. 19¢ postal card (Historic Preservation series), building at Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio.

April, Silent Screen Stars. Ten se-tenant 29¢ commemorative stamps, pane of 20: Rudolph Valentino, Clara Bow, Charlie Chaplin, Lon Chaney, John Gilbert, Zasu Pitts, Harold Lloyd, Keystone Kops, Theda Bara, Buster Keaton; *Linn's* Dec. 27, page 1.

April, Buffalo Soldiers. Single 29¢ commemorative stamp, pane of 20.

April, Summer Garden Flowers. \$5.80 booklet of five 29¢ stamps (lily, zinnia, gladiolus (gladiola), marigold and rose), panes of five, four panes per booklet.

May, World Cup Soccer. Three commemorative stamps, 29¢, 40¢ and 50¢, each in pane of 20; *Linn's* Jan. 3, page 1.

May, "The Surrender." Single \$1 stamp based on design of essay proposed for the 1869 definitive series, pane of 20.

May, Blues and Jazz Singers. Eight se-tenant 29¢ commemorative stamps (Legends of American Music series), pane of 32: Muddy Waters, Robert Johnson, "Ma" Rainey, Howlin' Wolf, Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, Mildred Bailey and Jimmy Rushing.

June, World War II: Road to Victory. Ten se-tenant 29¢ commemorative stamps in a block with a label (map) in the middle, panes of 20 stamps and two labels: Allied forces retake New Guinea, P-51s escort B-17s; Allies in Normandy, D-Day; Red Ball Express speeds supplies; Submarines shorten war in Pacific; Allies free Rome and Paris; U.S. troops clear Saipan bunkers; Airborne units; Battle of Leyte Gulf; Bastogne, Battle of the Bulge.

June, "Washington & Jackson." Single \$3 stamp based on design of essay proposed for the 1869 definitive series, pane of 20.

July, Locomotives. \$5.80 booklet of five 29¢ commemorative stamps, panes of five, four panes per booklet: Hudson's General, McQueen's Juggler, Eddy's No. 242, Ely's No. 10, Buchanan's No. 989.

July, Norman Rockwell. Single 29¢ commemorative stamp showing self-portrait, panes of 50; souvenir sheet of four 50¢ stamps showing Four Freedoms illustrations.

July, Statue of Liberty. Single 29¢ self-adhesive stamp, pane of 18 for automatic teller machines.

July 20, Moon Landing. Single 29¢ commemorative

stamp, panes of 20; *Linn's* Jan. 31, page 1.

July 20, Moon Landing. Single \$9.95 Express Mail stamp, panes of 20; *Linn's* Jan. 31, page 1.

August, Canyon de Chelly. 19¢ postal card (Historic Preservation series), prehistoric site in Arizona.

August, George Meany. Single 29¢ commemorative stamp, pane of 50.

September, Popular Singers. Five se-tenant 29¢ commemorative stamps, pane of 20: Al Jolson, Bing Crosby, Ethel Waters, Nat "King" Cole, Ethel Merman.

September, St. Louis Union Station. 19¢ postal card (Historic Preservation series).

September, James Thurber. Single 29¢ commemorative stamp, pane of 50.

October, Wonders of the Sea. Four se-tenant 29¢ stamps, pane of 24.

October, Black-necked Crane, Whooping Crane. Two stamps, joint issue with China, pane of 20.

October, Madonna and Child. 29¢ traditional-design Christmas stamp, likely pane of 50, booklet of 20.

October, Christmas Stocking. 29¢ contemporary-design Christmas stamp, likely as pane of 50 and booklet of 20.

October, Virginia Appar. Single definitive stamp in Great Americans series, pane of 100, announced as a 20¢ stamp.

October, Santa. Single 29¢ self-adhesive stamp, pane of 18 for automatic teller machines.

***Asterisks precede entries that have changed since their most recent stamp program appearance.**

Tentative catalog numbers. Scott catalog numbers and United Postal Stationery Society numbers are given in the listings when the numbers are made public.

Plate numbers, plate blocks. Sheet stamps have corner plate numbers, requiring a block of four unless otherwise stated. Self-adhesive stamp panes with plate numbers usually are collected as entire panes. Panes from booklets with water-activated gum usually are collected as entire panes with the tab (stub) attached. Coil numbers usually are collected on the center stamp in strips of three or five.

stamps are from the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP). Postal cards are from the U.S. Government Printing Office, envelopes from Westvaco, Envelope Division.

First-day cancel grace periods. The grace period for sending for first-day cancels ends 30 days after a stamp's issue date, unless stated otherwise in the listing.

Details of each issue listed in this program are given in news stories in *Linn's*. Depending on space available, the date and page of such stories are given within an entry.

HOW TO ORDER FIRST-DAY CANCELS

Within the grace period (normally 30 days after the official first day), buy the stamp (or postal stationery item) at your local post office or philatelic center, affix it to an addressed envelope (postage must make up at least the first-class rate) and send under cover to Customer-Affixed Envelopes, Postmaster, (Name of City, State and ZIP Code-9991 or the ZIP-4 Code given). No remittance is required. Most collectors prefer to use peelable return address labels that can be removed after the USPS returns the cover.

HOW TO ORDER STAMPS OR COVERS

Mail orders for mint stamps; plate number, ZIP code, copyright and inscription blocks; full panes; postal stationery; and the Postal Service's uncancelled first-day covers (FDCs) should be sent to the Philatelic Fulfillment Service Center, Box 449997, Kansas City, MO 64144-9997.

The PFSC imposes a \$10 minimum and 50¢ service charge (for up to 500 stamps) on all orders, including orders for its FDCs. USPS-supplied FDCs, in specific formats only, cost the face value of the stamps affixed plus 21¢ per cover (price of some items, including first-day-cancelled stationery, may vary). A sales catalog called *Stamps, etc.* is free on request from the PFSC at the aforementioned address. Orders to the PFSC should use USPS order numbers.

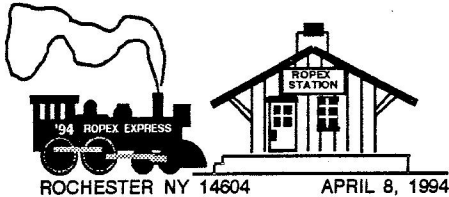
If you collect new issues, you should own *Linn's* U.S. Stamp Yearbooks. The 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991 and 1992 Yearbooks are available individually at various prices. Order all ten softcover volumes with slipcase for \$150. A 1993 Yearbook will be published in 1994. An order form for individual yearbooks and other *Linn's* books appears on page 70.



ROPEX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There are many jobs that need to be done during the show, April 8-10. Working the club table and offering to help out at the juniors' booth are just a couple of them. If you have even only a single hour to give it would be appreciated. You will find sign-up sheets at the March RPA meetings. Please add your name.

We'll need people for setup on Thursday morning, April 7, at 9:00am at the Holiday Inn downtown. Starting around noon we'll begin putting exhibit pages in the frames. Also when the show is over Sunday at 4:00pm we'll need help taking down the exhibits and frames. Yes, it is a lot of work, but many hands make for a light load. Won't you help!



ROPEX-94

NATIONAL STAMP SHOW AN APS CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS SHOW

APRIL 8-10, 1994 - FRIDAY 10 to 7pm, SATURDAY 10 to 6pm, SUNDAY 10 to 4pm
HOLIDAY INN, GENESEE PLAZA, 120 MAIN STREET, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

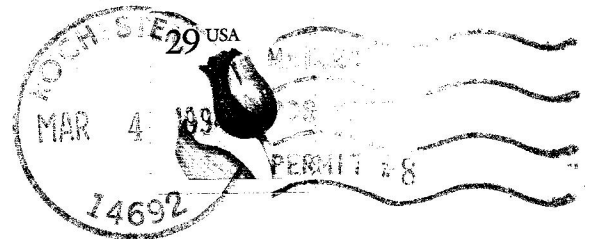
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