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ROPEX '98

1998 NATIONAL GATHERING OF THE
Postal History Society, Inc.

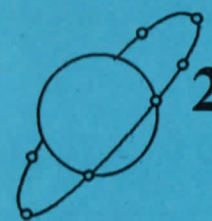
at the
Diplomat Banquet Center
March 6-8

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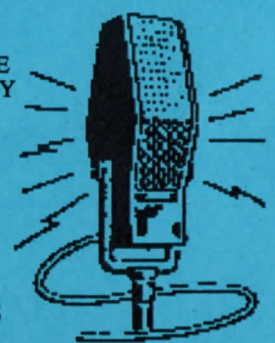
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And thank you to all the many RPA members that have volunteered their time and labor to make this year's show a success.

Show Judges

Patrick Walters, Chairman (New Jersey)
Douglas Clark (Georgia)
Ken Lawrence (Pennsylvania)
Dr. James Mazepa (Illinois)
Nathan Zankel (New Jersey)
Kenneth Magee, Apprentice (Ontario)

Schedule of Events

Thursday, March 5

8 AM-8 PM...ROPEX setup for RPA members, dealers and exhibitors

All meetings will take place in the lower level rooms. See individual exhibits for times the exhibitor will be available to answer questions about his or her display.

Friday, March 6

8-10 AM.....Hospitality Room Open (Diplomat Hotel - First Floor)

10 AM.....Welcome and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

1:30 PM.....Exhibitors' Luncheon

(Diplomat Banquet Center - Dutch Treat)

6 PM.....Show closes

6 PM-12 AM...Hospitality Room Open (Diplomat Hotel - First Floor)

Saturday, March 7

8-10 AM....Hospitality Room Open (Diplomat Hotel - First Floor)

9-10 AM....Live 50 lot auction- lower level, Banquet Center (viewing at 8:15)

10 AM.....Show opens, youth activities throughout the day

11 AM.....Postal History Society, Inc. Presentation- open to the public

11 AM.....Fakes, Forgeries, and Counterfeits Study Group Meeting

12 Noon....Empire State Postal History/Mobile Post Office Society Meeting

12 Noon....Chapter 53 Central New York First Day Cover Society Luncheon(Dutch Treat)

1:30 PM.... Youth Design-A-Stamp Contest Awards Presentation

1:30 PM....Chapter 53 Business Meeting (off site)

2 PM.....American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors' Seminarpresented by Ann Triggie

2 PM.....Federation of Central New York Philatelic Societies Meeting

3 PM.....Judges' Critique

4:30 PM....Exhibit Walkthrough for Beginners

5 PM.....Show closes

6:30 PM.....ROPEX'98 Awards Banquet (Diplomat Banquet Center)

8 PM-12 AM...Hospitality Room Open (Diplomat Hotel - First Floor)

Sunday, March 8

8-10 AM.....Hospitality Room Open (Diplomat Hotel - First Floor)

10 AM.....Show opens

10:00ish.....The Marmalades "Show & Tell"

1 PM.....NY Philatelic Bandits Hootenanny & Pizza Party/Stamp Swap

4 PM.....Show closes



STAMP SHOW

ROCHESTER PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
PO Box 10208 ROCHESTER, NY 14610-0208

Welcome one and all to ROPEX'98, the Rochester Philatelic Association's annual "Champion of Champions" stamp show.

Our theme this year deals with several science fiction anniversaries through various media:

90th anniversary of the book "Dorothy and the Wizard in Oz" by L. Frank Baum

60th Anniversary of the radio broadcast of "War of the Worlds" with Orson Welles

30th anniversary of the movie "2001- A Space Odyssey" by Stanley Kubrick

All three are true "classics." Before you leave make sure you visit the U.S. Post Office and our own RPA club table to pick up souvenir cachets and cancels honoring these works.

Thanks to the 40+ exhibitors who are sharing their own "classics" with us. Take a good look at some of the best philatelic items from U.S. and Canadian collections.

Of course, you probably came to check out the largest bourse ROPEX has ever offered collectors. Most of you will not go home disappointed, as they have material for every interest and budget. We're especially welcoming the six or eight dealers who are here for the first time.

Special greetings to collectors who belong to the many specialty groups holding meetings in conjunction with the show, including the Postal History Society, Inc.'s 1998 national gathering. We hope your visit to "The Flower City" won't be your last!

The ROPEX Committee and members of the Rochester Philatelic Association are here to make your stay with us as enjoyable as possible. Most of us are wearing special badges, so let us know if we can help you in any way!

Best wishes,
Tom Fortunato
ROPEX'98 Chairman and RPA President

EXHIBITS

* Denotes RPA Member

ADULT CLASS

- 1-10 Colorado: 1858-1876 William H. Bauer*
- 11-19 Across the Desert by Land and Air Arthur H. Groten, M.D.
- 20 Football, Disney Style Ken Lawrence (non-competitive)
- 21 Walt Disney Topical Meter Imprints and Permit Mail Ken Lawrence (non-competitive)
- 22-31 U.S. Presidential Series Postal History: Rates and Usages Stephen L. Suffet*
- 32-41 U.S. Marginal Markings Kirk Nichols
- 42-49 Cross Border Mails: USA and British North America to 1897 John L. Robertson, M.D.
- 50 Varieties of the 1932 3-Cent Surcharge on 2-Cent Arch Issue Walter Krasowski
- 51-53 Low-Value Wilding Definitive Stamps of Great Britain 1952-1967 Used on Cover Duncan H. Barber*
- 54-62 Guadeloupe: The Development and Use of Stamps for Regular Postage Edward Grabowski
- 63-72 Proprietary "Battleship" Revenue Stamps of 1898 Walter J. Orton III*
- 73-82 Switzerland's Postage Due Rates 1862-1967 Harlan F. Stone
- 83-90 "Patent Medicine" Companies of the Civil War & Reconstruction Era Donald E. Green
- 91-97 The Postal History of Carlisle in Cumbria, 1660-1845 Dr. Paul J. Phillips
- 98-102 Hey, Look at Me! Shlomo Ben-Yosef
- 103-111 Tibet: Stamps and Postal History Alan Warren\
- 112-117 200+ Years of Madeira Postal History S. S. Washburne
- 118-123 West Germany's Posthorn Series of 1950-1951 Albert Guenzburger
- 124 Servico Sanitario Stamps of Rosario, Argentina Ann M. Triggler* (non-competitive)

- 125-134 The Ungrilled Banknote Issues of 1870 to 1888 Robert P. Meegan*
- 135-136 Identification of the Regularly Issued U.S. Banknote Issues of 1870 to 1888 Robert P. Meegan* (non-competitive)
- 137-141 Postmark Niagara 1789-1859 Colin Troup
- 142 The Depths Below - Selected "O" Covers Everett Slosman
- 143 Puzzling Postmarks and Other Postal Peculiarities Florence Wright*
- 144 Unsuccessful Postal Delivery Methods Robert P. Meegan* (non-competitive)
- 145-154 U. S. Officials 1873-1884 Robert Markovits
- 155-164 British Forces Abroad 1896-1924 Alfred F. Kugel
- 165-172 Russian Currency Stamps Used in Finland 1891-1918 Roger P. Quinby
- 173-180 French Stamp Cancellations of the Classic Period 1849-1876 Tom C. Siddens
- 181-184 Rochester's Transportation Coils Raymond Stone*
- 185-189 Allied Forces in East Africa, World War I Regis Hoffman
- 190-194 Ellan Vallin: Isle of Man William J. Drummond
- 195-200 Croatian Overprints Raymond Stone*
- 201-205 HRADCANY: First Issues of Czechoslovakia 1918-1920 and Their Commemoration Karen Barber*
- 206-212 United States Domestic Letter Rates, 1825 to 1900 Robert P. Meegan*
- 213 Jamestown, Virginia: Cradle of the Nation Alice J. Johnson* (Display class)
- 214 Madeira Pre-World War I Picture Post Cards S. S. Washburne (Display class)
- 215-219 Some North American Music Marge Schleining* (Display class)
- 220 Philatelic Reflections of the Twentieth Century Thomas M. Fortunato* (Display class)
- 221-226 Blood Donation: The Gift of Life Ken Martin
- 227-230 A Multitude of Angels Alice J. Johnson*
- 231-233 Sherlock Holmes - A Case Study L. Kelly Armstrong, Jr.

- 234 En Pointe' - The Wonderful World of Ballet Alice J. Johnson*
- 235-238 Famous Men Named George Viola M. Gianetti

YOUTH CLASS

- 239-240 A Watery School Katherine Foor (12)
- 241 Love Through My Eyes Kristen Ollies (10)
- 242-243 Presidents Come Alive Through Stamps Ryan Doan (11)
- 244 The Life of John F. Kennedy Leo Machowski (15)
- 245-246 Foxes Theresa E. Meegan (13)

AWARDS

Special Awards

National Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Silver-Bronze and Bronze medals

Grand Award (special gift)

Reserve Grand (special gift)

Rochester Philatelic Association Awards

Larry R. Moriarty Sr. Memorial Award - Best British

Empire/Commonwealth Exhibit (special gift)

Andy Hale Award for Philatelic Excellence - Best General Exhibit by an RPA Member (perpetual plaque)

Virginia Gubler Award - Best Thematic Exhibit by an RPA Member (perpetual pewter tray)

ROPEX Youth Award

RPA Junior Award

LRM Popularity Award - Most Popular As Voted by ROPEX Attendees (plaque)

American Philatelic Society Awards

Medal and Ribbon of Excellence - Pre-1900 Material

Medal and Ribbon of Excellence - 1900-1940 Material

Medal and Ribbon of Excellence - 1940-1980 Material

Medal and Ribbon of Excellence - Post-1980 Material

Medal and Ribbon for Research Excellence

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Awards

Award of Honor - Excellence in Presentation (gold pin)

Award of Honor - Excellence in Presentation (gold pin)

Creativity in Philatelic Exhibiting Medal

American Revenue Association Award

Certificate of Appreciation and Ribbon

American Topical Association Awards

First Place Medal and Ribbon

Second Place Medal and Ribbon

Third Place Medal and Ribbon

Youth Medal and Ribbon

One Frame Merit Awards (ribbons)

Bureau Issues Association Award

BIA Statue of Freedom Award - Best U.S. Exhibit (medal)

International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors Youth

Merit Award - Best Display of Worldwide Stamps (certificate)

Junior Philatelists of America Awards

Blue Ribbon

H.E. Harris Ribbon

AAPE Youth Grand Award

Winner Represents ROPEX in the AAPE Youth Champion of
Champions

Postal History Society Medal

Best Exhibit of Postal History

U.S. Philatelic Classics Society

Best U.S. Exhibit Up to the First Bureau Issue of 1894 (gold medal)

Judges may elect not to give certain awards if no entries qualify. Other awards not listed may be awarded at the discretion of the judges with the consent of the ROPEX Committee.

RPA PATRON

DAVID J. TRIGGLE

A NON PHILATELIST

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ROPEX'98!

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GOOD LUCK
ROPEX
(anonymous)

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Wishing ROPEX'98 a
happy flight in all directions!

Bernice (Watson) Smith

RPA PATRON

*Many thanks to all RPA volunteers
who made ROPEX'98 possible!*

Tom Fortunato

RPA President and ROPEX'98 Chairman

RPA PATRON

Counting on a good time at
ROPEX!

David Roehrig
Public Accountant

RPA PATRON

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ROPEX'97 DEALERS

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Ambridge, PA 15003 | World covers
724/ 266-4237 |
| 20 | John J. Azarkevich
1400 Altamont Ave. Ste.111
Schenectady, NY 12303 | Postal History
518/356 |
| 1 | Ed Bailey Philatelist
P.O. Box 2338
Syracuse, NY 13220 | U.S. stamps
FDC
315/ 452-0593 |
| 26 | Tom Barron
P.O. Box 1339
Long Beach, NY 11561 | Air Mail / Covers
516/763-9205 |
| 24 | Henry Chlanda
P.O.Box 41280
Brecksville, OH 44141 | Postal History
Mid East Stamps
440/838-5179 |
| 22/23 | Wesley A. Crozier
P.O. Box 241
Fairhaven, NJ 07701 | Postal History
201/ 741-3403 |
| 17/18 | Discovery Stamps
P.O. Box 2502
Syracuse, NY 13220 | U.S. stamps
U.S. booklets
315/ 652-5517 |
| 29 | Donofrio Philatelics, Inc.
110 Chestnut Dr.
Rochester, NY 14624 | U.S. stamps
Foreign stamps
716/ 247-8975 |
| 5 | Finger Lakes International
Tony Vonhonja
P.O. Box 5
Shortsville NY 14548 | Worldwide
716/ 289-6395 |
| 31 | Al Greco Stamps
1190 Nolan Rd
Macedon NY 14502 | World Wide
315/ 986-7948 |
| 10 | Rick Hill / Hill's Stamps
P.O.Box 323
Grimsby, Ontario
Canada L3M 4G1 | Worldwide-
Postal History
905/ 957-3100 |

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800-851-6160 |
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P.O.Box 55 - St. Martin
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514/687-0632 |
| 28 | Kendall Stamp Co.
DeWitt Mall
Ithaca, NY 14850 | Stamps
Covers
607/ 277-3301 |
| 27 | Gary Kunzer
P.O. Box 814
Webster, NY 14580 | U.S.-World stamps
Collections
716/ 872-4484 |
| 35 | Lakewood Stamp Co.
P.O. Box 302
Erie, PA 16512 | U.S. stamps
British Colonies
814/ 866-0352 |
| 4 | Steve Malack Stamps
P.O.Box 5628
Endicott, NY 13763 | U.S. stamps
606/ 862-9441 |
| 7 | Mickelson Philatelics
105 Oakridge Dr.
Syracuse, NY 13209-1719 | Ireland
Great Britain
315/ 488-7066 |
| 36 | McLeod Stamp Co.
2423 Monroe Avenue
Rochester, NY 14618 | Worldwide stamps
Supplies and more
716/ 244-0240 |
| 19 | Pack-Rat Covers
P.O. Box 369
Gobles, MI 49055 | Covers, Covers, Covers
616/ 521-6023 |
| 3 | Philatelics International
Martin Toly
P.O. Box 2101
Syracuse, NY 13220 | U.S. Stamps |
| 15 | Pro Covers & Stamps
David A. Proulx
7629 Homestead Drive
Baldwinsville, NY 13027 | Postal History
Covers & Cancels
315/ 638-0532 |
| 37 | Les Rosen
7724 Matchwood Lane
Liverpool, NY 13090 | First Day Covers |

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| 38/39 | R.S. Stamp Co.
112 Beverly Hgts
Rochester, NY 14616 | U.S.-Foreign stamps
Supplies
716/ 621-5019 |
| 8 | K.L.(Ken). Roloff
P.O. Box 66
Sewickley, PA 15143 | U.S.- Foreign
Covers, Post cards
412/ 846-9331 |
| 30 | John L. Rudnicki
29 Marmaduke St.
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M6R 1t1 | Polish stamps

416/ 532-2781 |
| 25 | William W. Royer
10165 Robert Bost Rd.
Midland, NC 28107-7785 | 704/ 888-2907 |
| 32 | Herbert W. Sass
97 Fir Tree Pt. Rd.
Rock Stream, NY 14878 | Topicals

606/ 243-8691 |
| 2 | Mark Szuba
P.O. Box 3532
Syracuse, NY 13220 | U.S.stamps

315/ 451-0834 |
| 16 | Tom's Stamps
Thomas S. Sivak
138 N. Duffy Rd.
Butler, PA 16001 | U.S. stamps
Foreign stamps
412/285-4400 |
| 13 | Mr. Stampman
P.O. Box 147
Watkins Glen NY 14891 | US, Foreign Stamps

607/ 535-7477 |
| 9 | S.J. Willis Ltd.
18 Robin Lane
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516/ 237-1516 |
| 14 | Laurence L. Winum
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RPA Membership Chairman

P.O. Box 10206

Rochester, NY 14610

The Rochester Philatelic Association, Inc. is a not for profit organization formed in 1913.

Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Thursdays during the months of September through June. No meetings are held during July and August. Normal times are 7pm to 9:30pm. Programs start at 8pm sharp. We meet at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of East Avenue and Vick Park B. Entrance on Vick Park B.