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.

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MEETING SCHEDULE

**MARCH**

10  QUIZ NIGHT AND ROPEX ONE FRAME COMPETITION
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
8:00 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
8:00 am Coffee in Hospitality Suite - Room 1200
9:30 am Eire Philatelic Association (EPA), Annual General Meeting - Genesee Room
10:00 am Show Opens
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 Exhibition 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 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
8:00 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
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

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9435 MHz

RADIO CUBA
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RADIO HABANA CUBA
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15165 MHz

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.
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Saturday, June 4, 1994
Rick's Prime Rib House
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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)
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THE MENU

Premier Prime Rib Buffet
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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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**The offer...**

**Attention collectors of:**
- Birds on stamps
- Papua New Guinea

**NEW DISCOVERY:**

We have obtained a very few sets of the unused 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 unused stamps at US$500 per set (black proof): or a RARE imperforate block of four at US$3000.

Very few of the imperforate blocks are known to exist — we understand Christie’s (London) and Stanley Gibbons (Australia) will each offer a similar block at auction during 2009.

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

*Payment by credit card (US dollars or credit card) / American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard, Visa. No postage / credit card / Visa card will be charged with the Australian dollar exchange rate on the day of payment.*

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**Dearest 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 mere "error" in the value it's 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.

Lastly we have noticed some individuals/Stamp Dealers have offered for sale corner corner of the stamp issue with the big "T" as a rare set at inflated price.

We feel this is unfair to you our customers and request all customers we are NOT to sell this stamp with its minor error, so that the intended price can be corrected.

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

For the standing order customer, we will send you your standard requirements without FDC and stamps per.

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

This stamp issue will be available from 1st July 2011 (9) December 1992 unless stock is exhausted beforehand.

Kind regards,

**An Executive Manager,**

Philatelic Department

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Linn’s 1994 U.S. Stamp Program

Jan. 6, Winter Olympics. Five se-tenant 29c commemorative stamps (alpine skiing, ice hockey, cross-country skiing, racing), AP, pane of 20, Salt Lake City, UT 84199; USPS order No. 4647, F4440 (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. 27, Sunrise Love. Single 29c self-adhesive stamp, BCA, pane of 18, Loveland, OH 45140; USPS order No. 66604 (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 29c 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 29c 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. 14, Dove(s) and Roses Love. Two stamps: 29c value in $5.80 booklet of 20, two panes of 10, ABNC, 52c value in pane of 50, BEP; NY 14032; 29c stamp is USPS order No. 6635 (pane with tab), 6636 (booklet), F6636 (single on FDC), E6636 (pane of 10 on FDC); 52b stamp is USPS order No. 5595, F5593 (single on FDC); Linn’s Jan. 10, page 1.

Feb. 19, Shield and Bunting. Single gravure variable-denomination coil stamp, ABNC, cylinder (panel) number at 24-stamp intervals, no first-day cancel; 90-day grace period for first-day cancel, Merrifield, VA 22116; USPS order No. 9306, F9306 (FDC); minimum of 25 stamps needed to receive a plate number in a mint strip; Linn’s, Feb. 7, page 10.


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

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

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

April, Summer Garden Flowers. $5.80 booklet of five 29c stamps (illy, zinnia, gladiolus (gladiola), marigold, rose), pane of five, four panes per booklet.

May, World Cup Soccer. Three commemorative stamps, 29c, 40c and 50c, each in pane of 20; Linn’s Jan. 31, page 1.


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


July, Locomotives. $5.80 booklet of five 29c commemorative stamps, panes of five, four panes per booklet: Hudson’s General, McQueen’s Jupiter, Eddy’s No. 242, Ely’s No. 10, Buchanan’s No. 96.

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


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


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


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

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

October, Madonna and Child. 29c traditional-design Christmas stamp, likely pane of 30, booklet of 20.

October, Christmas Stocking. 29c contemporary-design Christmas stamp, likely as pane of 30 and booklet of 20.

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

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

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

HOW TO ORDER STAMPS OR COVERS

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

The PSFC 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 PSFC at the aforementioned address. Orders to the PSFC should use USPS order numbers.

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!

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
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