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In the hallway outside the entrance, the following groups will have tables for the convenience of those seeking information.

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The Rochester Philatelic Association is now in its 69th year, and is still going strong. It was organized on March 12, 1913. The first meeting was held at the Hotel Rochester with eleven enthusiastic men getting it off to a fine start. In a short time they began to hold their meetings at the Municipal Museum in Rochester, but during the First World War, interest lagged, and the club was kept together through the efforts of five members who met at various homes.

Eventually, more members were added, and they met in the back room of a local stamp dealer. They soon graduated to the Public Library, and, after many months, the club moved to the Edgerton Park Museum. When the Bausch Museum of Arts and Sciences was built, the RPA followed them to East Avenue. In 1976 the meetings were moved to the Parish Hall of St. Paul's Church, four blocks away.

Down through the years, much has been accomplished in the effort to bring stamp collecting and its joys to the general public. A wide variety of programs have been featured, including both local and outside speakers, movies, mini-exhibits and swap nights. Throughout this time there has always been an annual banquet, followed by entertainment in the form of an exhibit or auction.

Early exhibitions of the RPA were local affairs, but during the thirties and forties shows were held in conjunction with the Rochester Museum Hobby Council. In 1950, the RPA assisted in the formation of the Niagara Frontier Federation of Stamp Clubs. As host to this group and subsequent combination with the Central New York Federation of Stamp Clubs, the scope of the exhibitions became international.

The year 1963 was the Golden Jubilee of the Rochester Philatelic Association, and called for a really big show in celebration. This show of over 700 frames, was held in Rochester's newly constructed Midtown Plaza, and was a big success. This paved the way for subsequent large exhibitions and bourses such as TOPEX-67 and APS-68. It was at APS-68 that the World Series of Philately was inaugurated. The current ROPEX title was initiated in 1971, and has been used to designate the shows which hosted such organizations as the American Philatelic Congress, the Society of Philatelic Americans and the American Topical Association. This background of the RPA lends credentials to the ROPEX-82 show, honoring the 175th Anniversary of Robert Fulton's first trips on the Clermont and the 200th Anniversary of the Great Seal of the United States.

Dear Stamp Enthusiasts:

You are now attending the 9th ROPEX Stamp Show. Prior to the ROPEX series, the Rochester Philatelic Association celebrated its Golden Anniversary in 1963 with a mammoth show of 750 six page frames and 125 exhibitors. The AIA & AIS shows in '67 & '68 respectively preceded the first ROPEX show of 1971.

The 68 Show introduced the "Champion of Champions" competition - RIA fathered this type of program and AIS has expanded on same since. As a result, the Grand prize winner of this show can compete with the elite of the philatelic world in the next APS StampShow.

You are welcomed to this major national show. We hope you enjoy the exhibits and will find that elusive item you have been looking for from one of the many dealers present.

The program during the show includes several talks, a critique on the exhibits and a seminar or judging. Try to attend at least one of the presentations. You may also talk to representatives of national societies and the Empire State Postal History Society. If you do not belong to a national society, now is your chance. The banquet Saturday evening is open to all.

To the local stamp collector, the Rochester Philatelic Association offers 10 months of stamp activities through its bi-monthly meetings. Come to one of our meetings or talk to one of the members present for additional information.

You help to make ROPEX what it is, for without the public there would not be a show. We thank you, have an enjoyable visit and come back again next year.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence R. Moriarty
President

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March 26, 1982
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday - March 26, 1982
10:00 A.M. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
Exhibition and Bourse Open
2:00 P.M. Slide Show: "History of Postal Cards and Postcards"
Warren C. Stevens - Grenadier Room
1:30 P.M. Benjamin Franklin Stamp Club
Advisors Meeting - Grenadier Room
7:00 P.M. Exhibition and Bourse Close

Saturday - March 27, 1982
10:00 A.M. Exhibition and Bourse Open
11:00 A.M. Empire State Postal History Society
Regional Meeting - Emma G. Kobert, President
Grenadier Room
12:00 NOON Ribbon Awards Posted
1:00 P.M. American Air Mail Society
Regional Meeting and Slide Show: "Early Airmails"
James R. Adams, Secretary - Grenadier Room
2:00 P.M. Topical-Themeic Judging Seminar, PREMIER with slides
Mary Ann Owens, APS and ATA Accredited Judge
Grenadier Room
3:00 P.M. Slide Show: "Philatelic Photography"
Col. James T. DeVoss, President APWL
Grenadier Room
4:00 P.M. Judging Critique - Grenadier Room
5:15 P.M. Slide Show: "Adventures of Some 1870 Airmail"
Ernst M. Cohn, Chairman APS Postal History Committee
Grenadier Room
6:00 P.M. Exhibition and Bourse Close
6:30 P.M. Cash Bar - Genesee Crossroads, 3rd Floor
7:30 P.M. Awards Banquet - Genesee Crossroads
Mary Ann Owens, Guest Speaker

Sunday - March 28, 1982
10:00 A.M. Exhibition and Bourse Open
2:00 P.M. Slide Show: "Ships On Stamps"
Audrey Pankratz - Grenadier Room
3:00 P.M. Door Prizes Awarded
4:00 P.M. Slide Show: "History of Postal Cards and Postcards"
Warren C. Stevens - Grenadier Room
5:00 P.M. ROPEX-82 Closes

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Best exhibit in the show. The winner will receive an invitation to participate in the Champion of Champions competition at the 1982 APS Annual Convention.

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Best General Exhibit by an RPA member.

VIRGINIA GUBLER AWARD
Best Topical Exhibit by an RPA member.

RPA NOVICE AWARD
Best exhibit by an RPA novice.

JUNIOR AWARD
Best exhibit by a Junior.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY AWARD
Best exhibit by an APS member.

AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION AWARD
Best Topical Exhibit.

SOCIETY OF PHILATELIC AMERICANS RESEARCH AWARD
Exhibit demonstrating the best original research.

EMPIRE STATE POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY AWARD
ESPHS GRAND: Best exhibit of New York State postal history by an ESPHS member.
ESPHS RESERVE GRAND: Runner-up best exhibit of New York State postal history by an ESPHS member.
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ESPHS SPECIALTY AWARD: Best exhibit of rates, postmaster cancels or like subjects, of three frames or less by an ESPHS member.
ESPHS ONE FRAME AWARD: Best one frame exhibit of New York State by an ESPHS member.

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Best Postal History Exhibit.

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