Marching proudly in Rochester's Memorial Day parade in 1912 or 1913 is an early Irondequoit Boy Scout troop led by Harry Sherman, front. The mounted flag bearer is Leslie Daggs. On horseback in the back are, from left, George Fraser, Everett Heffer, Theodore Grant and Harry Heffer. The Boy Scouts "hoofing" it in the front row are John Peacock, Everett Hallauer, Harvey Heffer, Norris Heffer, middle row. Leslie Bogart, Paul Titus, Almond Hill, Everett Densby, Raymond Harding, Wilbur Hill, Ward Metcalf, Lee Musson; and in the rear row, Alfred Drake, George Brassard and Ray Platt.

12 packs in Irondequoit. It is always a pleasure to welcome the Cubs who visit the Pioneer House town museum. Their curiosity and enthusiasm are unbounded and make their visits a joy.

It has been my pleasure to help several Irondequoit Eagle Scouts with their projects.

Those projects have added to the restoration of the Hooker pioneer cemetery, and the transfer of archival material to computer storage in the town historian's office. Their computer skills are, of course, far ahead of the historian's — and most appreciated.

To all the parents, leaders and young people associated with this great organization, happy 100th Birthday from a former Cub leader and proud mother of an Eagle Scout.

Thanks to Leslie from Pack 183, Jim Hinman of Troop 184 and Jeremy Miller at Boy Scout headquarters for this information.

Ropex 2010
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Celebrating 100 Years of Scouting

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Welcome to ROPEX 2010

Hello ROPEX attendees! Welcome to the Rochester Philatelic Association’s annual ROPEX stamp show.

Please enjoy the exhibits of world-class collections. The Grand award winner of our show goes on to compete in the American Philatelic Society’s Champion of Champions show to be held in Richmond, Va., this August.

Visit our many stamp dealers who have excellent stocks of stamps and covers for your collection.

marvel at the creative 3-K exhibits created by the youth of northern Pennsylvania under the guidance of Stamp Camp Director, Sheryl Edgecomb.

The show also hosts the “Design-A-Stamp” program of the Rochester City School District.

Join the RPA so that you enjoy it with others who share your passion for stamps and other philatelic items.

Applications are available either inside this program or at the hospitality table near the entrance of the show.

Happy Stamping! - From the Co-Chairs of ROPEX 2010

Rick Kase
Frank Tritto
Ray Stone
Dave Robinson

These sentiments are also echoed in a welcome from the RPA President. “The RPA has been around since 1913. We would enjoy having you in our membership. We meet twice a month except July and August. Dues are $20. Thank you for coming to our show. Have a great time!”

RPA President - Dave Bombard

2010 SHOW COMMITTEE

Chairmen: Rick Kase, Dave Robinson, Raymond Stone, Frank Tritto

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Immediate RPA Past President - Ray Stone
SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 13
8:00 am - 6:00 pm
ROPEX setup (exhibitors and dealers welcome 1-6 pm)

Friday, May 14
8:00 am - 6 pm
Judges’ Deliberation Room (Room 2)
“Early Bird” Bourse - $20 entry fee for interested collectors and dealers
11:00 am
Show opens, Welcome and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, show entrance
11:00 am - 6:00 pm
Prize drawings throughout the day
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
ACE - Art Cover Exchange General Meeting (Room 1)
6:00 pm

Saturday, May 15
10:00 am
Show opens
10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Prize drawings and youth activities throughout the day
Noon - 5:00 pm
Cachet Makers’ Bourse
Noon - 1:00 pm
Empire State Postal History Society trading hour presentation (Room 1)
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Empire State Postal History Society Annual Meeting (Room 1)
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Walk-Through Discussion of Exhibits (Frame 1 - all welcome)
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors “Open Forum on Exhibiting” (Room 1)
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Judges Exhibit Critique (Room 1)
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Exhibit Awards Presentation (Room 1)
5:00 pm
Show Closes

Sunday, May 16
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Prize drawings and youth activities throughout the day
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
RPA Youth “Design-A-Stamp” Awards Presentation (show floor)
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Federation of New York Philatelic Societies Meeting (Room 1)
3:00 pm
Show closes
3:00 pm
Exhibitor’s Reception and Exhibit Pickup

2010 Special Events

“Early Bird” Bourse - Friday, 9:30 am 11:00 am! Stamp dealers not reserving tables for ROPEX or interested collectors are invited to enter the show early for a $20 admission fee. The show opens to the public at 11:00 am with FREE ADMISSION.

$1 Raffle
Feel lucky? Buy a $1 raffle ticket and you can be the winner of one of three great prizes!
(For adults 18 and older)

Throughout the Show- Members of the public are welcome to bring stamps and other philatelic items to the show to help identify them and get a free informal appraisal of their value. Visit the RPA table at the entrance for assistance.

Cachet Makers’ Bourse- To be held Saturday between noon and 5 PM. Dealers will sell their own cachet covers for a variety of issues.

The ROPEX Youth Booth will be open Saturday and Sunday with fun activities, electronic games and lots of free stamps and covers for kids to enjoy.

Youth 3-D Creative Exhibit Competition- Youngsters participate in this unique combination of artwork and philatelic elements. It encourages artwork with the inclusion of appropriate philatelic elements to represent a unified theme or idea. There is no entry fee for participating. Samples are above.

EXHIBITORS BY FRAME NUMBER
*Rochester Philatelic Association Member

1 Honoring Boy Scout Philately; Raymond M. Stone* [Non-Competitive]
A small sample of scouting stamps and covers from around the world

2 Single Page Exhibit Conrad Novick [Single Frame]
An exhibit presenting to the public and philatelic community the feasibility of the Single Page exhibit in competitive philatelic exhibiting.

3 The Royal Palm Philip J. Stager [Single Frame]
A one frame exhibit and geographical study of the world’s premier landscape palm in mature and environment

4 The One Cent Issue of August 15, 1919 Robert L. Markovits [Single Frame]
Scott #530, a classic study of this unusual and unique U.S. stamp perforated 12 1/2.

5 Washington and Franklin Coils 1916 Issue Gregory Shoults [Court of Honor]
The exhibit shows the production of the coils with domestic and foreign usages.

6 New Orleans Carriers 1851-1860 Larry Lyons [Single Frame]
This exhibit will show all of the New Orleans carrier handstamps used 1851-1860
EXHIBITORS BY FRAME NUMBER (CONT’D)

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7
19th Century Railroad Postal markings Related to Stephen Schuyler.
Chenango and Tioga Counties, NY Alan Parsons [Single Frame]
By use of 19th century railroad postal markings the exhibit traces growth of railroad mail service to 1900 in four contiguous southern tier NY counties.

8
Nova Scotia 1851-1863: The Preliminaries Fred Fawcett [Single Frame]
Die essays, die proofs, trial color dies, perforated proofs, both trade proofs, all plate proofs, all types and color specimens, unique and unrecorded items.

9
The 7¢ Stanton Entires 1871-78 Robert L. Markovits [Single Frame]
Scott #388 7¢ vermilion. The definitive study of proofs, essays and postal history.

10
Private Advertising on Privy Marked on Swiss Postal Envelopes Harlan E. Stone [Single Frame]
All over advertisements on envelope fronts and embossed seals on back flaps.

11
The exhibit displays security features introduced on U.S. postage stamps between 1974 and 2009, including microphography, hidden images, exotic perforations, special inks, hologrophics, etc.

12-14
U.S. Revenue Stamps - First Issue: using Commerce to Fund the Civil War John Lighthouse [Multi Frame]
A view of our history through Civil War documents and the revenue stamps used to aid in funding that war and subsequent debt.

15-18
Everybody Must Get Stoned (but Bob Dylan’s version) Eleanor A. Stebb [Multi Frame]
The exhibit discusses all manner of stones from early man to the present. Covers aspects of discovery, usage, fascination and myths as well as related aspects.

19-23
Cornell, NY Postal History Including DPOs Now Serviced by the Cornell Post Office Alan Parsons [Multi Frame]
An examination of mail handling from 1834 to date in the area now covered by the Cornell NY post office.

24-28
Washington and Franklin Coins Rotary Press Issues 1914-1922 Gregory Shoults [Multi Frame]
The exhibit shows production of the rotary press coins with domestic, foreign, and war rate postal usages of the time period.

29-31
Animals Around the World Lorah Wilson [Youth age 15]
This youth thematic exhibit examines domestic and wild animals from all over the world.

32-35
This exhibit documents many ways the stamp was used in its day, as well as much of the music postal rate structure of the time.

36-41
Ethnic Overprints on the 1919 Animals & Rulers Definitives Daryl Reiber [Multi Frame]
This exhibit presents the overprinted 1919 Animals and Rulers definitives and the postal rates used between 1919 and 1928.

42-46
The 1929 Sullivan Expedition Commemorative Alan Parsons [Multi Frame]
A postal division first day cover exhibit focusing on the stamp, official and unofficial first day covers, cancel varieties and cachets of the issue.

47-50
The 5¢ Bicycle Raymmond M. Stone [Multi Frame]
A first day cover exhibit of this U.S. transportation coil stamp issued for nonprofit mail use on February 17, 1982 in Wheeling, WV.

51-54
The 13½¢ Coal Car Raymond M. Stone [Multi Frame]
Issued on July 19, 1988 in Pittsburgh, PA, this bulk rate US transportation coil definitive is explored through first day covers, cachets, and stamp combos.

EXHIBITORS BY FRAME NUMBER (CONT’D)

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55-57
Bamboo Phillip J. Stager [Multi Frame]
A display exhibit that tells the story of bamboo and its relation to nature and man.

58-60
Paul von Lettow-Vorbeck: The Events and Times that Molder the Man Dr. Edwin J. Andrews [Multi Frame]
Display exhibit detailing the events, times, people and places that influenced the life and exploits of Paul von Lettow-Vorbeck; soldier, politician, activist and author.

65-74
From Mine to Mail 1900-1975 Phillip J. Stager [Multi Frame]
A picture post card exhibit that studies the transport of iron ore from the mines in the Lake Superior region to the lower lake ports.

75-84
United States Domestic Letter Rates, 1800 to 1900 Robert P. Meegan [Multi Frame]
A study of the domestic letter rates in effect from the Act of 1799 to the beginning of the 20th century.

85-94
United States Special Delivery 1922-1997: The Last 75 Years Robert L. Markovits [Multi Frame]
Stamps, proofs, trial colors, design sources and postal history documenting the end of the system.

95-104
U.S. Air Mail Special Delivery Issues of 1934-1936 Hideo R. Yokota [Multi Frame]
A traditional U.S. exhibit exploring the production, production and postal usages of the 3 different 16a Air Mail Special Delivery issues.

105-113
Zemstvos - An Introduction to the Russian Rural Post Office Osborne [Multi Frame]
From 1870 to 1917, a rural post system operated within remote rural areas (Zemstvos) of western Russia. This exhibit displays many of these stamps.

114
Olympic Events Christian Kemp [Youth age 9]
This one frame youth thematic exhibit features Olympic sporting events on stamps and covers.

115-124
The Usage of Switzerland’s Imperforate Sibling Helvetiae of 1854-1863 Steve P. Turchik [Multi Frame]
A premier world-class Strubel exhibit showing used examples of 32 basic varieties, destinations, bisects, production varieties, postmarks, and frankings.

125-134
Switzerland’s Domestic and International Postal Services During July 1, 1862 - November 30, 1891 Harlan E. Stone [Multi Frame]
Great variety of mixed frankings from 10 different postal issues. Ten covers recorded with unique mixed frankings, special rates, postmarks, or destinations.
JUDGES AND BIOGRAPHIES

Guy R. Dillaway, Chief Judge
Chair of Weston, MA

Guy has served as President of the Spellman Museum of Stamps and Postal History for 15 years and APS Vice President. He is an accredited jury chairman for philatelic and literature, AAPE Chairman of the committee to critique title and synopsis pages, and a director of ASDA. His affiliations include the Postal History Society, BNA, S.U.S. Stamp Society, Cape and Nataal Study Circle, Philatelic Society of Greater Southern Africa, and the Philatelic Group of Boston.

Stephen Washburne
Philadelphia, PA

Stephen a retired Temple University chemistry professor, is an APS and FIP accredited judge specializing in postal history and philately of Portugal and her ex colonies. He also collect Philadelphia and New Jersey postal history, and administers the Philadelphia National Stamp Exhibition.

Jeffrey Shapiro
Fayville, MA

Jeffrey has been a stamp collector since age 8. He is a gold medal exhibitor, philatelic writer, and 26 year member of the American Philatelic Society. For the past 12 years he has as chaired the WSP national Philatelic Show in Boxborough, MA outside of Boston.

Paul Philips
Loleta, CA

Paul was born and raised in Carlisle, England, and is a chemist educated at the University of Liverpool. Until his recent retirement he has spent his entire career as a professor of engineering and is the author of over 400 technical papers. Philatelically, he has specialized in the postal history of GB, USA, Poland and Croatia, and has authored many publications in philatelic journals. His longest most authoritative article have been published in the APC Congress Book (2005 Early PH of Tennessee; 2009 Birth of a new Postal System: the PNA).

Ann Trigg
Clearance, NY

Ann earned a degree in organic chemistry and has worked as a research associate and faculty member in Great Britain and the United States. She founded the Pharmacy Museum at the State University of New York in 1985 and has taught courses in History of Medicine and Science. Her service to the APS has included board and committee assignments, judging positions, and awards coordinator for both PACIFIC 97 and Washington 2006. She has been honored as a Fellow of both the Royal Philatelic Society Canada. She has been elected to the FIP Thematic Bureau and to the Society of Postal Historians in the UK. She was the ATA’s Distinguished Thematicist of 2006, and she received the APS Luff Award in 2005 for service to the APS.

EXHIBIT AWARDS FOR 2010

American Philatelic Society
- Medal and Ribbon of Excellence: Pre-1800 Material
- Medal and Ribbon of Excellence: 1800-1840 Material
- Medal and Ribbon of Excellence: 1840-1880 Material
- Medal and Ribbon of Excellence: Post-1880 Material
- Medal and Ribbon for Research Excellence

American Topical Association
- First Award (medal and ribbon)
- Second Award (medal and ribbon)
- Third Award (medal and ribbon)
- Youth Award (medal and ribbon)

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors
- Award of Honor: Excellence in Presentation Not Winning a Gold Medal (2-clasped pin)
- Creativity in Philatelic Exhibiting Award (gold pin)
- APE Youth Grand–winner enters APE’s Youth “Champion of Champions” (certificate, ribbon)
- Novice Award - Best Exhibit of a First Time Exhibitor (AAPE year membership, exhibiting book)

American Airmail Society
- Best Multi-frame Air Mail Exhibit
- Winning a Vermeil or Gold min. 3 entries (gold medal and ribbon)

American First Day Cover Society
- Best Exhibit of First Day Covers
- 75% or more FDCs minimum 2 entries (plaque)

American Philatelic Congress
- Excellence in Written Text (Congress book)

The Judges may not opt to award special prizes of the specific requirements are not met
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Greenwood, IN 46143 (317) 269-7086
rustycrafts@indianhills.com US stamps and revenues, US and worldwide covers

Britania Enterprises
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tomstamps@comcast.net Classic US mint/used and worldwide stamps, lots

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ROPEX Honors Scouting

Today's Scouts Tomorrow's Leaders

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Happy 100th birthday, Boy Scouts of America

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In 1907, Gen. Robert Baden Powell, a veteran of Britain's Boer War, organized a Scouting program in England when he discovered that many boys were using his military book, "Aids to Scouting," as a guide to outdoor activities.

Baden Powell revised his army Scouting guide into a new program for young boys, then tested his ideas at an island camp.

The camp was so successful that it developed into a youth program, then into the Boy Scout program that quickly spread throughout the British Commonwealth.

William Boyce, a Chicago publisher, incorporated many loosely constructed Scouting groups into a formal organization Feb. 8, 1910. He recruited professionals with experience leading youth organizations, such as the YMCA, to develop a program.

Yet, it was Daniel Beard, Ernest Thompson Seton and James West who developed an organizational structure for the Boy Scouts of America. West was instrumental in securing, in 1916, a congressional charter from the United States Congress. Theodore Roosevelt was a big supporter and used his position as former president to gather support for the organization.

The organization Boyce founded is celebrating its 100th birthday this year. Since that February date in 1910, approximately 100 million boys, men and even women have been members of the Boy Scouts of America. Today, membership is more than 2 million.

The picture that accompanies this week's column is from either 1912 or 1913, proving that this troop from Irondequoit was one of the first in the nation. They are lined up on East Avenue, about where the Little Theater is today, at the 1912 Rochester's Memorial Day parade. As was befitting a farming community, some of the Scouts are mounted on their own horses.

At that time, the Boy Scout movement had not yet designed a standard uniform for all members; consequently, each member in the accompanying photograph seems to have chosen his own style of headgear.

Scouting in Irondequoit today reflects the changes across the nation. There are now between 550 and 700 Boy Scouts in 10 troops and Cub Scouts in