

# Sno-King Stamp Club Philatelic News



Serving collectors in Snohomish County and north King County since 1960

Everett,  $2^{nd}$  Wednesday, 7:30 PM – 9 PM

**Edmonds**, (on hold)

**Snohomish County PUD** 2320 California Street

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### Everett Meeting Wednesday, **August 9**<sup>th</sup>, **6 PM**

#### Annual Club \*Potluck\* Picnic

Hosted by Art Verlinde at his home - **9326 62nd Place SE, Snohomish**.

Please park further down the road and walk in if you are able in order to save the closer parking spots for those who need to walk shorter distances.

The club will provide beverages and the makings of hamburgers and hot dogs.

\*\*\*\*\*Members are requested to bring a <u>dessert</u>, a <u>salad</u> or a <u>side dish</u>.\*\*\*\*\*

Notify Steve LaVergne either by telephone or e-mail (206-361-3774 or stampingsteve@gmail.com), so that picnic planners have an accurate headcount. **Members are encouraged to bring spouses** or other important persons in their lives.

No Buy/Sell/Trade due to delicious, sticky, greasy, yummy food

Most meetings also include **show-and-tell**, along with time to **buy and sell** stamps [**Edmonds** meetings are on hold until further notice to sort out some how / where / when details]

#### 2023 Club Officers

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Dates for our 2023 meetings (2nd Wednesday at the Everett PUD)

(8/9 BBQ Potluck at Art Verlinde's house), 9/13, 10/11, 11/8, (12/13 dinner)

# President's Column Steve LaVergne

After all, there will be a **SEAPEX** in 2023. It will take a different form from past years. Instead of a three-day show with juried exhibits, it will be a two-day dealer bourse taking place, **Friday, September 8, and Saturday, September 9** at the Tukwila Community Center.

After the SEAPEX organization decided to cancel this year's show, Vancouver dealer Michael Jaffe stepped up and organized the two-day bourse. He is using the SEAPEX name with permission of the SEAPEX organization.

Jaffe is renting only the gymnasium where the dealer tables locate. He is not renting any auxiliary rooms, such as the one which served as the hospitality room. Jaffe told me that as of this writing, he hopes to sign five more dealers in order to meet his objective.

He hopes to sign up several postcard vendors, which will enable him to promote the event as a stamp and postcard show. Jaffe welcomes volunteers to assist with such tasks as registering attendees.

The SEAPEX website has yet to be updated to list dealers committed to this year's bourse. The dealer page on the website lists dealers who rented tables for the 2022 show.

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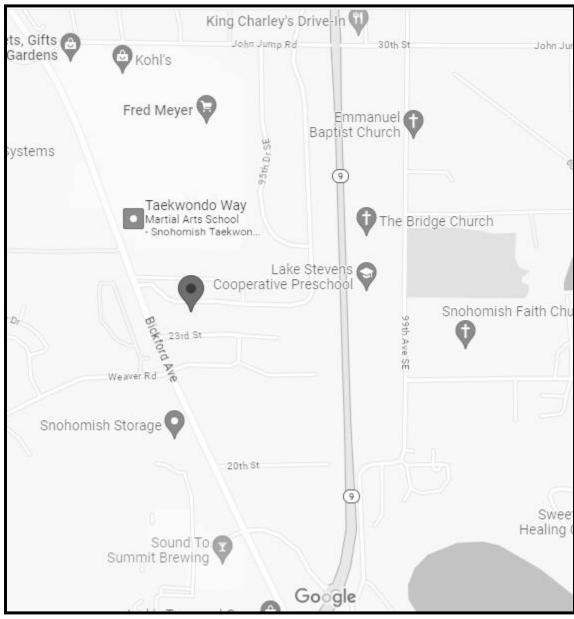
Members are looking forward to this year's picnic, which will be hosted by longterm member Art Verlinde. It will take place **Wednesday, August 9**, at his home in rural Snohomish. The address is **9326 62nd Place SE, Snohomish**.

Art along with Marcella McMurtrie have taken several steps preparing for this event. The club will provide beverages and the makings of hamburgers and hot dogs. Members are requested to bring desserts, salads and side dishes.

I ask members who plan to attend to notify me by either telephone or e-mail (206-361-3774 stampingsteve@gmail.com), so that picnic planners have an accurate headcount. Members are encouraged to bring spouses or other important persons in their lives.

Maps are on the next page, but GPS directions would be best to get you there. It's located off of Bickford Ave in Snohomish (south of Fred Meyer and Kohl's and The Home Depot)





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If you are a longtime member, like me, you should remember Donna Samuelson, who served as club president more than 30 years ago. In the club newsletter during her time as president, Donna referred to herself as "head hinge."

I joined the club after Donna stepped down as president. Nonetheless, I remember her as a force in the club's operations. When her husband retired, the couple moved to the Wenatchee area, where John Samuelson was raised.

I recently learned that Donna died two years ago. Her obituary mentioned that she began collecting stamps as a nine-year-old. The obituary also mentioned her interest in genealogy. She discovered that on her father's side, she is descended from the legendary French monarch Charlemagne.

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Congratulations to newlywed Art Vanbergeyk, proprietor of Aurora Stamps. Art and Becky married recently, picking as their wedding day the 20th anniversary of their first date. We wish Art and Becky much happiness, which they enjoy in their new home on Whidbey Island.

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A reminder for those who attended the July meeting. We are inviting members to offer country collections for sale at our September meeting. Members can still sell sets and singles.

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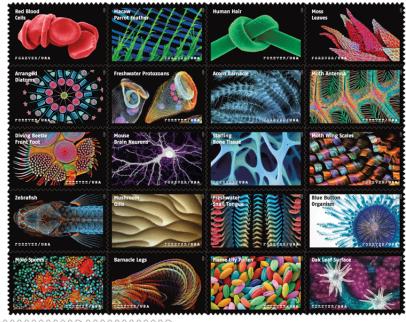
The planned presentation for the July meeting was shelved so that members could shop for treasures among a substantial donation to the club. Sales enriched the club treasury by \$250.

I received the donation only two days before the meeting. This did not allow me the time needed for an orderly arrangement of the material. Members located desired items and negotiated prices on the spot with club officers.

Much material remains and will be offered for sale in September, mostly as country collections. One of the more mouth-watering offerings is a mint Russia collection covering years 1972 through 2004.

## New USPS Stamps for August 2023

August 10 Forever **Life Magnified** CLEVELAND, OH 44101 (Great American Stamp Show)



August 11 Forever **Thinking of You** CLEVELAND, OH 44101 (Great American Stamp Show)



August 24 **Bridges** (Presorted First Class) PORTLAND, CT 06480





What an amazing, simply perfect Yugoslavia-to-Germany cover we have here. Of course, as editor with the same name, I may be a little bit biased on this topic. While at the Evergreen Summer Stamp Show a few weekends ago one of our members, Bob Janovich, approached me and surprised me by showing me this particular cover he recently added to his collection. Interestingly enough, I told him that I had also just recently started looking for specific mail to or from the German U-Boat "U530" because it was commanded by none other than "Kurt Lange". I thought my Germany collection would someday have a little extra eye candy if I could find something containing Kurt Lange/U530 - very similar to the above cover.

So, I put out this challenge to all of our members to be on the lookout for old covers with any containing their name or names of fellow members (modern covers mailed last year don't count - sorry!). Share them with me to keep this conversation going.