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Online at: http://sno-kingstampclub.freehostia.com/ copies of these newsletters available there, too!

Everett Meeting Wednesday, July 10th, 7:30 PM

Program: Show and Tell, visit, trade, socialize, etc.

"Bring your stuff, look at other's stuff"

MAKE A NOTE - NO NEWSLETTER NEXT MONTH - Wednesday, $August \ 14^{th}, \ 6 \ PM$ Next Month - Summer Gathering at John Brew's house - details on Page 2

Most meetings also include show-and-tell, along with time to buy and sell stamps

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Dates for our 2024 meetings (2nd Wednesday at the Everett PUD)

7/10, 8/14 BBQ, 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 12/11 Holiday Dinner

President's Column Steve LaVergne

Due to a postponement of my surgery, I will be able to preside over the club's July meeting. Those sighs I hear. Are they sighs of relief? Or disappointment?

In any case, I do not have a program for the July meeting. Given my observations at recent meetings, we may not need a formal program. Members seem to be content, forming spontaneous chat groups or inspecting stamps members are offering for sale.

However, to provide some substance, I encourage members to dig deep in their albums and pull out items suitable for show and tell.

I encourage volunteers for the vacant position of program chair. As president, I find it challenging to come up with ideas for programs every month. I also encourage members to step forward and offer to present programs highlighting aspects of their collecting interests.

By doing so, you not only will impress your fellow members with your encyclopedic philatelic knowledge. You also will amaze them with your spellbinding oratory.

By the way, my surgery, originally scheduled for July 2, is now set to happen July 16. With an ordinary recovery, I should not have to miss any club events. For about one week after surgery, I will be recovering in the home of a relative. During that week, I will not be accessible by either phone or email.

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Speaking of club events, I am happy to report that the club will have a **picnic this year**. It will take place on **August 14th**. **John Brew and his wife, Mary Ellen Asmundson**, offered to host it. They ask people to arrive at **6 PM**.

They live at **2734 NE 184th Place**, Lake Forest Park. John and Mary Ellen hosted a picnic several years ago. Even if you attended that year's picnic, you might need your GPS to find their home again. Lake Forest Park's street-numbering system is superimposed on a welter of meandering roadways.

Their house is near the dead end of a curvy roadway which follows the community's rolling terrain. Parking is limited, so members should carpool as much as possible.

As with past picnics, the club will provide hamburger and hot dog makings, condiments and beverages. The rest will be potluck. Members should bring salads, side dishes and desserts.

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The club newsletter will take a month off for August. So, this July edition will be the last printed notice of the picnic.

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Looking ahead to **September**, I plan to bring American Philatelic Society circuit books to that meeting. APS asked us to provide additional advance notice of our request for circuit books. So I plan to submit the club's request before my surgery.

This means that members requesting particular countries or regions should advise me of their interests no later than the July meeting.

The May selection of circuit books, at first glance, did not look promising. However, they proved to be popular with members, who spent a combined total of \$665 on them.

Coming increases to USPS Rates - on July 14th, 2024

- The price of a First-Class Mail Forever stamp will increase from 68 cents to 73 cents
- Postcards sent domestically will be **56 cents**, up from 53 cents.
- International postcards and 1-ounce letters will see a 10-cent increase to **\$1.65**.
- The additional-ounce price for single-piece letters increases from 24 cents to **28 cents**.

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New USPS issues for July 2024

July 18 **Low-Denomination Flowers** (1¢, 2¢, 3¢, 5¢ and 10¢) BERKELEY, CA 94704

July 22 Forever **Alex Trebek** CULVER CITY, CA 90230







Upcoming Stamp Shows

July 2024

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	ADDITIONAL
July 20-21 Sat.: 10-5 Sun. 10-4	Stamp, Postcard, and Paper: Summer Show	Kent Commons Community Center 525 4th Ave. N Kent, WA 98032	Sponsored by Evergreen Stamp Club <u>http://pnwpostcard.org</u>
		August 2024	

August 10	Strait Stamp Show	Guy Cole Center 202 N.Blake Ave. Sequim, WA	Sponsored by Strait Stamp Society Hours 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
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September 2024

September 13-14	SEAPEX	Tukwila Community Center 12424 42nd Avenue South Tukwila WA 98168	Friday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. <u>SEAPEX - Seattle Philatelic Exhibition</u> <u>- Home Page (seapexshow.org)</u> (Bourse)
September 22	STAMPEX	Scottish Rite Masonic Temple 4090 Commercial St. SE Salem, OR	http://www.salemstampsociety.org (Bourse)

October 2024

		Columbian Hall 6794 Martin Way E Lacey, WA	9:30 a.m. to 400 p.m. Free Admission Sponsored by Olympia Philatelic Society Boy Scout Merit Badge Workshop (Show)
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