

The newsletter for Stamp Collecting Clubs for Kids (SCCFK) Collect Stamps (The Most Educational Hobby)

www.stampcollectingclubsforkids.org

October 1, 2016

In 1913 no commemorative stamp or s/s was issued for the first IPEX held in the U.S. During the year of 1913 only the following four commemorative stamps were issued. They were issued on January 1, 1913 to commemorate the Panama-Pacific Exposition which was to be held in San Francisco over 2 years later - February 20 to December 4, 1915









The exhibition opened October 27, 1913 and lasted until November 1, 1913. It was held at the Engineering Societies Building at 23-33 W. 39th Street, New York City. The judges were an interesting group of men who are now legends in philately.

Of the 10 judges, 7 were from the United States:

- Alfred H. Caspary (APS Hall of Fame, Renowned collector of classical United States, Postmaster Provisionals of the US and Confederate States. Co-founder of Philatelic Foundation)
- Eugene Klein (APS Hall of Fame- he bought the sheet of Inverted Jennys from William Robey. Attended nearly every international exhibition from 1913 to his death in 1944.)
- John N. Luff (APS Hall of Fame, President Scott Stamp & Coin Company; co-founder and President of Collectors Club NYC; prolific writer – the Luff Award is named after him)
- Bertram William Henry Poole (APS Hall of Fame, Prolific author and editor. Dealer. Famous auctioneer.)
- Walter Stone Scott (APS Hall of Fame, Famous auctioneer. Sold more lots of stamps than any other auctioneer.) His father was John Walter Scott, founder of Scott Catalog and prolific author, also an APS Hall of Fame member!

The remaining two judges from the US were **Frederick R. Cornwall** (President of APS in 1912) and **John A. Klemann** (Nassau Stamp Company, 116 Nassau Street, NYC) both famous in the philatelic world and the only US judges at the 1913 exhibition who have not been elected to the APS Hall of Fame.

In September Club for Kids kicked off for the 2016-2017 school year in Maui, Hawaii at Kamali'i Elementary School. (If your grasp of the Hawaiian language is not all that great, it is pronounced Kah mah lee ee. The backward apostrophe between the last two i's signifies a "guttural stop" or break. The pronunciation of Hawaii also has such a break, and in local press, the spelling is Hawai'i, with the backward apostrophe.) We have held 4 club meetings already and have 87 students who have signed up. This is considerably fewer kids than we normally have, but the school has a lot fewer students this year than in the past few years. The total enrollment for students in Grades 2, 3, 4, and 5 is 296, so that means that 29.4 % of all the students have signed up already. (Note: Kindergarten students are not allowed to join the stamp club, and 1st grade students have to wait until after the Christmas break to join. There will be a lot more kids joining in January.)

We recently received a nice donation of over 300 very colorful stamps featuring tropical fish. We gave each student who attended one of these stamps a couple weeks ago. The kids were very happy. At the next club meeting we allowed them to come up - one table at a time – and choose which stamp they wanted. We will repeat this until we run out of the stamps, probably in two or three more meetings. Because this is Hawaii, the kids may be a little more excited about tropical fish, but we think that no matter where a stamp club is located, colorful fish will be a big hit.

Anybody out there got any stamps with tropical fish that you'd like to donate?

Last year we gave out about 800 first day covers. We already have had several students requesting FDC's this year. The most popular, no surprise, have colorful cachets. The students are always excited to get FDC's with cancellations from "a longtime ago" – meaning before 2010!

There are a lot of students at this school who have a Filipino heritage, many with parents at home who speak Tagalog fluently. (Tagalog is spoken by about 1/3 of the people in the Philippines, where approximately 150 different languages are spoken.) We received a nice donation of stamps from the Philippines, so on our second meeting this year every student who came to stamp club received a stamps from the Philippines. This also was very popular.

If you have something relating to stamp collecting that you think might be appropriate for this newsletter, please feel free to send it to Robert W. Martin at the address listed below.

Comments? Write Robert W. Martin, P.O. Box 1809, Kihei, HI 96753-1809.

Stamp Collecting Clubs for Kids is a 501 C (3) organization. All donations of \$10 or more are provided written receipts.

© 2016, Robert W. Martin

22