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Stamp Shows, Part III

Last year there were 30 Regional Stamp shows. They are called the World Series of Philately shows (WSP.) These shows usually meet at the same city every year, but a couple shows move around to different cities every year. Here is a listing of the shows that have been held in the past 12 months, and the city where each was held.

Show name	Located at
Americover	Peachtree Corners GA
ARIPEX	Mesa, AZ
BALPEX	Baltimore, MD
CHICAGOPEX	Itaska, IL
COLOPEX	Columbus, OH
Filatellic Fiesta	San Jose, CA
FLOREX	Orlando, FL
Garfield-Perry	Cleveland, OH
INDYPEX	Noblesville, IN
MILCOPEX	Milwaukee, WI
Minnesota Stamp Show	Crystal, MN
NAPEX	McLean, VA
Natl Topical Stamp Show	Columbus, OH
NOJEX	East Rutherford, NJ
OKPEX	Midwest City, OK
Omaha Stamp Show	Omaha, NE
Philatellic Show	Boxborough, MA
PIPEX	Portland, OR
Plymouth Show	Westland, MI
Rocky Mountain Show	Denver, CO
ROPEX	Canadaigua, NY
St Louis Stamp Show	St Louis, MO
SANDICAL	San Diego, CA
Sarasota National	Sarasota, FL
SEAPEX	Tukwila, WA
SESCAL	Ontario, CA
Southern Expo Show	Norcross, GA
TEXPEX	Grapevine, TX
United Nations Show	Bellefonte, PA
WESTPEX	Burlingame, CA

Driving to Stamp Shows

If an East Coast stamp collector (or dealer) who lives in New York City wants to drive to each of these shows it would require 78,619 miles (30 roundtrips.) A West Coast stamp collector (or dealer) who lives in Los Angeles would have to drive 106,827 miles (30 round trips.) That means for the LA stamp collector to attend the exact same shows, he (or she) would have to drive an extra 28,208 miles.

If a person can average a speed of 60 miles per hour, to drive 28,208 extra miles would require an additional 470.1 hours of driving. This is a partial demonstration as to why going to Stamp Shows is definitely a lot easier for East Coast stamp collectors compared to West Coast stamp collectors.

Driving to All But the 5 Farthest Away Stamp Shows – much harder for West Coast Collectors

If a stamp collector (or dealer) living in New York City wants to attend all of the shows except the 5 that are the farthest away, it would require 39,576 miles of driving (25 round trips). The LA stamp collector who attends all but the 5 farthest away WSP shows would drive 79,461 miles. That would be an additional 39,886 miles for the LA collector to attend the 25 closest shows. Driving at 60 miles per hour, that additional mileage would require an additional 664.8 hours of driving for the LA collector.

Changes in the Website for SCCFK

The next time you visit the SCCFK website, “hover” your cursor over the stamp featuring Spiderman. You will find a fun game to play!



Official USPS Stickers

The USPS has used many different markings and stickers to identify different types of mail. Stickers are hard to obtain at many local post offices, but free stickers are available at USPS Stamp Fulfillment. Go to (www.usps.com) click on Postal Store, then click on Shipping Supplies, and then go to page 4 (and beyond) for the free stickers. These are very popular with young stamp collectors, who often have never seen any of the official USPS stickers. Get these free stickers from the USPS and give them to young stamps collectors in your stamps clubs!

What do you think? Thoughtful comments are welcomed and will be published, so please feel free to write! (150 words or less, please.) Mail it to Robert W. Martin, P.O. Box 1809, Kihei, Hawaii 96753-1809. It should be written as if the reader

knows nothing about your topic, so beginners can understand it.

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