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## Presidents Message

Welcome to our May-June Newsletter



**Wes Falor**

*Photo by Karen Mckee*

Hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health and enjoying this fine start of a spring. At least we are not getting the weekly snow storms that are hammering in the eastern part of the country. With that in mind, I want to remind all of you that we are now only 4 months out from our show. We should have a full house again this year so be working on that list of things to be looking for and or dig out the material you want to sell to help buy what you need. For May we will be having a presentation by Phil titled "London Calling" covering his recent trip to Great Britain. The letter of the month is "M", as in Mexico, Match and Medicine, Malagasy Rep., and many other, that I

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## May.3rd MEETING

After the general meeting, Phil Castell will give a presentation entitled "London Calling." The show and tell is for the letter "M." Bring any questions you have about stamps or stamp collecting.

## June 7th MEETING

After the general meeting, there will be a show and tell that begins with the letter "N." This will be followed by a Silent Auction. Forms can be downloaded from our website [straitstamps.org](http://straitstamps.org)

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## Cancelers of the 1922 Peace Conference of Lausanne

### Roger Heath

Güller, the Swiss postal cancel manufacturer, supplied two special cancelers for the Conference of Lausanne, used in late 1922 and early 1923. The post office using these two cancelers was located within the Beau-Rivage Palace Hotel, site of the conference.

The first meeting opened 21 November, 1922, with representatives from Britain, France, Italy, and Turkey. The Conference lasted eleven weeks. On 4 February 1923, disagreements led to a suspension of discussions. They resumed on 23 April, at which time time representatives from Japan, Russia, and Greece also had proposals to be considered, primarily regarding reparations and "open seas" through the Dardanelles.

Eventually, the Treaty of Lausanne was officially signed and adopted on 24 July, 1923. It formally recognized the establishment of Turkey, which relinquished its territorial claims to Cyprus, Egypt, Sudan, Syria, and Iraq, and ceded its claims to territories of Yemen, Asir, and Hejaz. The boundaries of the Middle East, as we know them today, were essentially established by this Treaty.



The letter shown above was addressed to Paul Bargeton, the second ranking member of the French Delegation. The French conference delegation was in residence at the Palace Hotel during all negotiations. The letter was probably a personal communication to Bargeton that arrived at the Conference post office.

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## Cancelers of the 1922 Peace Conference of Lausanne (continued from Page 10)

The pencil "167" was most most likely his room number. I doubt there are many incoming items to delegates who attended this Conference, especially examples with postage due. Franked with a 25 centimes stamp, the letter was underpaid for the international rate of 50 French centimes to Switzerland. Postage due was calculated for the 25 centimes deficiency, which was equivalent to 20 Swiss centimes. With the addition of the 20 centimes penalty, the total due was 40 Swiss centimes. These stamps are both canceled with Conference Pour la Paix en Orient Lausanne 2, dated 2 January, 1923.



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### The PIPEX is coming!

The 75<sup>th</sup> edition of PIPEX is coming May 11 through May 13. This WSP level event will feature 240 frames of exhibits to see and 40 booths to visit. A show of this size and quality cannot be successful without the help of numerous volunteers who work behind the scenes to make the show happen. Please help us make this show a great success by volunteering at the show, even if it is only for a couple of hours. To make this process easy, go to the PIPEX website and click on volunteers where you can look through the volunteering opportunities and pick any available day/time combination that is available. This year, we have worked hard to make it easy for you to volunteer.

### Pres. Message (cont'd from Page 9)

I am sure you will come up with. For the month of June, the letter will be "N", as in way too many things to list. We will also have a silent auction, so bring those treasures you are wanting to dispose of to raise cash to buy new treasures. Always remember that show and tell, to share anything special with the rest of us, is on every monthly agenda as well as reports on shows or stamp related events you may have attended.

Wes

## Secretary Cathie Osborne Notes

**March 1st Meeting**

The March 1st meeting had twelve members present. Cathie reminded us that we need to get a page of stamps related to the letter "H", to her by the next meeting. So far, five of us have provided really creative pages. Our mid-March meeting will be at Burger King on March 14, at 9:30. We hope to have new stamp mixtures from the Victoria dealers. For the letter "K", Bruce H. showed stamps from North and South Korea. He discussed how political philosophies have affected stamp design. Julie showed Kenyan stamps that depicted places she had visited. Roger showed a variety of Swiss mail, some from Kristiania (Oslo, Norway) and some to Kentucky, Koeniz, Kleinlutzel, and from Knutwil. Jim K. showed an auction catalog for the Gross collection and Civil War covers by Kimmel, the number one cachet designer of that period. Rick had a cover from the Korean Traveling Post Office, and Cathie showed bell stamps from Kenya, both Koreas, Kyrgyzstan and Kuwait. She also had an ad cover from Barbara Bell Patterns which a non-collecting friend had given to her.

**Mid-monthly Meeting**

All eight of us had a good time sharing yarns and the new kiloware from Victoria at Burger King this month. Bruce, Bruce, Jim, Henry, Don, Julie, Richard and Cathie came. They saw and went home with more stamps. The club needs to decide if they want to continue the mid-month meetings at BK, or put them on hold until the time changes back again. Come to the April 5 meeting with your thoughts. We have 11 of the 16 pages needed for our "H" frame. Please bring yours—first or second—to the April meeting! We'll try to display them at the meeting before PIPEX, so you can see how they'll look in the frame.

**April 5th Meeting**

The April 5th meeting was busy, with 19 members and a silent auction. We had Dave Fuller, from Kingston, with us. With all his travels he comes when he can. Cathie gave a report on the status of the cancel for our show, and announced the April Burger King meeting will be April 18 at 9:30 am. We will have fresh kiloware. Be sure to bring your show and tell items for the letter "L." "L" items shown at the meeting included Lincoln Civil War covers from Jim K., lions from Dave F., Lake Erie cancels from Rick, Lepidoptera from Bruce H., announcement of a "library" program from Phil, Liberty Bell items from Cathie, and "L" town cancels from Roger. There were lots of items for the silent auction as well as items from Wes as donations to the club. When we went home, there were only four cookies left.

**April 7th Meeting**

Cathie O and Dave Fuller attended the symposium April 7th in Moses Lake. There were 35 attendees and some stray spouses who enjoyed the three presentations and two excellent meals at the Best Western on the Lake. David Snow from Portland talked about Independent and Express Mail Companies, and Jerry Johnson talked about the many kinds of interrupted/returned mail. Both had good power point presentations. Jack Congrove showed how to make exhibit pages, using Microsoft Word. There was a live auction in the afternoon, and all day, we perused and bid on the silent auction items. I came home with a book, some poster stamps showing bells, and a notebook of Machins. (Phil and others see me!). Spending a day in the company of stamp collectors was well worth the trip,

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